

## **NAOSHWeek 2007 Winners**

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### **Best Overall:** Pollard Banknote Ltd., Kamloops

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The 2007 Best Overall Campaign Award goes to *Pollard Banknote Ltd.* for their outstanding comprehensive efforts.

Their NAOSH week campaign included in-house activities such as a pedometer program, a game called "Show Me Safety" based on William Shatner's TV show "Show Me the Money," a drive to encourage workers to pledge that they would not use their cell phones while driving during NAOSH week, and more.

In a week-long activity called "Caught Lifting Correctly," supervisors were encouraged to "ticket" workers who performed proper lifting techniques. Ticketed workers would then be able to redeem their slip for a free beverage and also become eligible for a cash prize.

*Pollard Banknote* also persuaded the Mayor of Kamloops to proclaim May 6-12, 2007 NAOSH week in the city.

In addition, they organized a bike rodeo for 51 students at Kamloops' John Todd Elementary school while the rest of the school participated in a safety scavenger hunt that was customized based on the feedback from teachers.

### **Best New Entry:** Garibaldi Glass Industries Inc., Burnaby

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In its inaugural submission, *Garibaldi Glass* demonstrated an outstanding commitment to health and safety through their 2007 NAOSHWeek campaign.

In-house activities included posters around the worksite and a page in the company newsletter promoting NAOSHWeek events such as their well-received "Safety Jeopardy" – a modified version of the game show.

*Garibaldi Glass* also hosted a charity hotdog barbecue which raised over \$400 for Children's Hospital.

One activity that particularly stood out was their visit to another glass company who was just beginning a safety program. Workers taught their peers at *Lami Glass* about *Garibaldi Glass'* dolly safety program. Bringing paint and training materials, they taught a colour matching system that helped determine dolly load limits.

### **Most Innovative:** Pollard Banknote Ltd., Kamloops

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*Pollard Banknote's* engaging and original NAOSH week campaign has earned them this year's Most Innovative Award.

Their most original activity was also their grand-finale for this year's NAOSHWeek. The safety event was called "Show Me Safety" and adapted a number of game show ideas.

In order to compete for the \$500 prize, workers vied for one of four eligible spots by correctly answering safety related "Eye Cues" – a type of visual word puzzle.

Four finalists then participated in "Show Me Safety" – a game-show event based on William Shatner's 2006 TV show "Show Me the Money." It came complete with nods to other games such as *Jeopardy*, *Who Wants to be a Millionaire?*, and *Hollywood Squares*. A variety of colourful characters rounded out the event with the appearances of Random Celebrity Guests, and a host who mimicked trademark expressions of William Shatner.

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**Best Presentation of Theme: Canadian Forces Base, 19 Wing, Comox**

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The Canadian Force's *19 Wing Comox's* NAOSHWeek campaign earned them this year's Best Presentation of Theme award.

By applying this year's theme of "Safety and Health: A Commitment for Life" to its engaging NAOSHWeek activities, *19 Wing* provided information that can be used on the job and at home.

*19 Wing* organized a number of in-house NAOSHWeek training and presentations including topics on: first aid, emergency preparedness, defensive driving, confined space awareness, ergonomics, and safety management.

They also distributed safety awards and commendations, organized a BBQ, and had the Wing Commander sign a NAOSHWeek proclamation with the Union president and Mayor as witnesses.

*19 Wing* also organized a safety colouring contest for a local elementary school where students were given awards. Their "Spot the Safety Hazard" picture contest also engaged workers by asking them to identify common unsafe acts for prizes.

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**Educational Institutions: British Columbia Institute of Technology, Burnaby**

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No stranger to NAOSHWeek but a first time awards entrant, the British Columbia Institute of Technology organized a number of impressive activities that engaged students and staff.

In addition to hosting a NAOSHWeek Safety Fair and a fall protection demonstration, BCIT organized a safety draw that required participants to correctly answer questions about BCIT's OHS committee. High school students also visited their trades area and learned about the importance of safety while working.

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**Federally Regulated Agencies: Canadian Forces Base, 19 Wing, Comox**

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In addition to organizing a multitude of in-house training and presentations that included a fire extinguisher training simulator, the Canadian Forces' *19 Wing Comox* also awarded personnel and sections for their commitments to safety. Also, many resources offered during NAOSHWeek were designed so workers would be able to apply their knowledge at work as well as at home.

For their impressive achievements, they also won under this year's category of Best Presentation of Theme.

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**General Industry: VersaCold Logistics Services & EV Logistics, Richmond**

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*VersaCold* and *EV Logistics* enthusiastically organized their NAOSHWeek activities that had over 800 participating workers.

Distributed over 9 work sites, they coordinated a number of events including: unannounced evacuation drills, barbecues and lunches, safety demonstrations, a "spot the hazards challenge," safety quizzes, viewings of safety videos and injured worker presentations, a canvass for office safety ideas, and more. During some activities, company operations were temporarily stopped so that every worker had the opportunity to participate.

### **Health/Social Services:** Oak Bay Lodge, Victoria

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Winning in 2006 under the Health/Social Services category, *Oak Bay Lodge* repeats its first place standing this year.

They organized activities such as lunch time walks, and an Info Fair which included information on stress management, accident prevention, occupational safety and health, personal fitness, proper footwear, and chronic disease management. *Oak Bay Lodge* also prepared healthy recipe handouts, and organized chair massages and acupuncture sessions for staff.

### **Local Government:** Capital Regional District, Victoria

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*Capital Regional District* took over a year to plan and implement their NAOSHWeek agenda, but the result was an amazing spread of over 65 safety events and activities that occurred in-house and with participation from the community.

In one training session, they organized a mock Ammonia evacuation of a leisure complex. Workers had to co-ordinate the safe evacuation of the building as well as surrounding neighbourhood, rescue and provide first aid to victims, isolate the ammonia leak, and properly use chemical suits.

### **Manufacturing:** Pollard Banknote Ltd., Kamloops

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*Pollard Banknote* has continued to demonstrate their commitment to NAOSHWeek by organizing an impressive 2007 campaign. In addition to engaging people with a variety of in-house and community activities, they also coordinated a safety themed game show based on TV's "Show Me the Money."

As well as placing first in the Manufacturing category, *Pollard Banknote* also won for Most Innovative campaign and also in the Best Overall category.

### **Marine:** Victoria Shipyards Co. Ltd., Victoria

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In addition to producing a young worker safety video, *Victoria Shipyards* focused its NAOSHWeek activities on four emergency response demonstrations which were viewed by workers and local trade students.

They organized two separate spill simulations – one for land and one for water. The latter scenario involved the deployment of a spill boom via tugboat and the distribution of spill pads. In addition, they conducted a CPR demonstration required a rescue skip and a crane operator. *Victoria Shipyards* also ran a confined space rescue simulation that also had a methane gas leak. In this scenario, their emergency response team was activated and rigging equipment was used in the simulated rescue.

### **Provincial/Crown Corporations:** Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, Victoria

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Opening NAOSHWeek with a ribbon cutting ceremony by the province's Speaker of the House, the *Legislative Assembly of British Columbia* also hosted information sessions on topics such as "What Makes People Healthy?" and "Earthquake Emergency Procedures."

A variety of activities were held to promote health and safety, but one that particularly stood out demonstrated the importance of proper hand washing techniques. Workers applied a powder called "Glogerm" to their hands and held them out under UV light to view the simulated germs. After washing their hands with soap and water, workers then placed them back under UV light to see how much of the "Glogerm" powder remained.

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**Small Business: Sylvan Vale Nursery (Black Creek)**

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With every worker participating in this year's NAOSHWeek, *Sylvan Vale Nursery* demonstrated that they are committed to health and safety.

They organized a number of demonstrations and information sessions on topics such as "fatigue in the workplace." They also held an open house for families and addressed every day safety issues such as how to properly use a fire extinguisher. As part of their "GO GREEN" Passport activity, *Sylvan Vale Nursery* encouraged workers and their families to use alternate cleaners and pest removal products to help minimize their exposure to toxic chemicals.

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**Tourism/Hospitality: Canadian Hotel Income Properties (CHIP Hospitality), Vancouver**

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Focusing on health and safety issues found in the workplace, *CHIP Hospitality* created NAOSHWeek activities that could also be applied to everyday life.

*CHIP Hospitality* organized a number of hands-on training sessions about fire safety and prevention. With information sessions on workplace stress, violence in the workplace, proper lifting techniques and posture, workers learned about how to prevent injuries in common on-the-job situations. Their lifting demonstrations for example, focused on how to handle the usual luggage and boxes.

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**Transportation of Goods: Rempel Bros. Concrete Ltd., Langley**

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100% participation from everyone at *Rempel Bros. Concrete* made NAOSHWeek a success at the company's seven concrete plants.

At every location, *Rempel Bros. Concrete* featured a safety video that emphasized the consequences that happen at home as a result of unsafe practices at work.

*Rempel Bros. Concrete* also sent a NAOSHWeek safety awareness package to all of their workers' homes. Each 225 kit contained a letter from their Vice-President and General Manager, a home inspection checklist, action plan template, health brochures and a "Wellness Matters" newsletter. Workers and their families were encouraged to conduct a home safety inspection and enter in a contest for safety prizes.

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**Transportation of People: Air Canada Jazz, Richmond**

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*Air Canada Jazz*, as first time entrants for the NAOSHWeek awards, organized a variety of different resources for their workers.

In addition to hosting barbecues, *Air Canada Jazz* organized – as part of their Safety Fair – PPE displays, a booth to emphasize the importance of hearing protection, and a blood pressure clinic. They also arranged for the RCMP to speak on personal safety and the BC Ambulance Service to talk about workplace accidents. In addition, *Air Canada Jazz* organized for the local Airport Fire Department to visit with their newest fire truck and explain their role in the workplace.

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**Honourable Mention: BC Housing Management Commission, Burnaby**

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*BC Housing* hosted a variety of events for NAOSHWeek including: a pedometer challenge, personal safety seminars, and a lunch and learn presentation that included an emergency preparedness presentation with catered food featuring emergency food rations.

**Honourable Mention:** Formation Safety CFB Esquimalt, Victoria

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*Formation Safety CFB Esquimalt* organized a number of NAOSHWeek activities such as: a confined spaces simulation, and hands-on session where workers learn how to properly equip and firefighting equipment in a simulated smoke environment.

**Honourable Mention:** Safety & Health in Arts Production & Entertainment (SHAPE), Vancouver

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In their NAOSHWeek activities, SHAPE launched a campaign called "Art Safety Week." SHAPE communicated safety information through their website and newsletter. In addition, they developed a poster campaign, as well as a button wearing campaign with the slogan "Safety: It's everyone's scene!"

**Honourable Mention:** Township of Langley, Langley

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The *Township of Langley* coordinated a number of activities for their 2007 NAOSHWeek campaign including a breakfast where workers received a pair of safety glasses and participated in a safety quiz. They also organized a safe driving information session which featured an obstacle course where workers wore "drunk goggles" and did their best to maneuver through a series of tasks.

**Participation Award:** Best Buy Canada Ltd., Burnaby

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*Best Buy Canada* participated in NAOSHWeek and won the 2007 Fax Back Prize Draw. Congratulations to *Best Buy* and thanks to all the participants who entered in this year's Fax Back Prize Draw!