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Safety Blitz



The Ministry of Labour launched a safety blitz as part of the "Safe at Work Ontario" strategy. Keeping more workers safe means increased productivity for the economy, and less strain on the healthcare system. Lets continue to do our part to ensure we work safely and report any incidents; it is a benefit to all workers in the long run.

Lift – Metcalf Realty, Ottawa Smardt Chiller Installation



Safety Success

The Annual Canadian Construction Association conference was held in Scottsdale, AZ this year and Geo. A. Kelson was honoured with the **National Safety Award for 2008**. This is a great achievement as our program was chosen over many successful construction companies across Canada. Congratulations to our employees for their hard work and ongoing commitment to our Safety Program. In recognition we will be awarding all employee's with a spring jacket.

A Perfect Score

Earlier this year, Geo. A. Kelson was randomly selected for a safety audit by the WSIB as part of a Safety Group we belong to. This first ever audit was challenging, but we are proud to boast that we hit a homerun achieving 100%. We would like to extend a special thanks to everyone at **Honda** who participated.

New Projects at Kelson

- Kinross Gold - 25 York-Tenant Work
- Markville Mall - RTU's & Boiler Room
- Seneca College - Teaching Boiler Installation
- Goodman's, LLP - Bay & Adelaide - Tenant Work
- U of T- Steam & Condensate Upgrade
- ACC - Storm System Upgrade
- Sunnybrook - Schulich Heart Centre
- George Brown College -Student Services - Renovation
- PWGSC - New Office Add. - Ottawa



Geo.A. Kelson ensures that the tools and equipment we use are of the highest quality, and we have always adhered to the philosophy that they should be maintained in top condition. This applies to everything from hand tools and scissor lifts, to our work trailers.

Please remember to:

- Clean and maintain all tools and equipment to ensure they remain in good working condition.
- Use the tools and equipment only for the tasks that they are intended for.
- Store all tools that are not in use in their specific cases.
- Ensure that tools are not left unattended and out in the open.
- Keep job boxes clean, organized and closed or locked when not in immediate use.
- Not lend tools or equipment to other trades.
- Tag any tool or piece of equipment that is not working properly, for pick-up and repair so maintenance can be performed by the Tool Crib.
- Return unused or not needed tools to the Tool Crib.
- **Treat all tools and equipment as if they are your own!**



The Kelson crew in Belleville team up with Local 463 to donate \$10,000 to the hospital that they are helping to build.

Belleville Hospital Crew



Replacing WHMIS ?

The federal government has announced that Canada will implement a new system for classifying and labeling chemicals, called the Global Harmonized System (GHS).

WHMIS may be working perfectly well in Canada but it was decided that in our global economy we need an international classification system. (GHS) came about in 1992 at a United Nations summit where the participants, including Canada, decided that in order to be able to conduct business internationally, businesses must improve their safety programs.

The GHS's standards are very similar to the Canadian WHMIS standards, but have an added a classification of Environmental Hazards.

The icons will be triangular in shape compared to the round ones that we are used to. They will also be known as "pictograms" rather than symbols.

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) will be globally known as Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and will have 16 requirements of information, compared to 9 in WHMIS.

The GHS was planned to launch in 2008, but there have been delays. Stay tuned for more details!



ACC Expansion

Kelson Classic Golf Tournament
Friday August 7th @ Bondhead

