IHSA hosts multi-sector safety event in Kenora

IHSA is working hard to make sure our members’ needs are met no matter what sector they work in and no matter where they are. Last month, IHSA health and safety consultant Mike Tomashowski organized a local health and safety forum in Kenora to make sure that knowledge got put into practice. More than 30 people took part in a hands-on demonstration on the safe use of a fire extinguisher as well as discussions on health and safety.

The Kenora Fire and Emergency Services were on hand in a controlled environment and supplied the fuel source and protection. In the photo above, we see David Wiebe, Divisional Safety Supervisor of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, with Stuart Olson, Dominion Construction Ltd., practicing with the firefighting equipment.

This has been an annual event and was started several years ago by Dan Laurin, a former Construction Safety Association of Ontario (CSAO) consultant. Mike continued the forum because everyone who participated found real value in having a health and safety meeting held in a smaller community in the north.

When IHSA was established, Mike also began to include the electrical, utility, and transportation sectors. This brought even more workplaces to the table to network, discuss health and safety issues and listen to presentations on topics such as occupational hazards and controls.

At this meeting, there were 33 people representing 30 companies. Similar events took place in Dryden in late 2010 and Fort Frances earlier this year.

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