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**Presidential Overburden - Jeff Mellen**



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Greetings to all IMAA members,

Spring has come and gone and the workload is not as heavy as we all would like for it to be at this time. Even the USGS reports that first quarter sales/production of aggregates are down 16-18 percent. With all this bad news, there are some positive signs of a turn in the economy. INDOT has done a good job in "spending" their Stimulus Money. To date they have let \$240M and with three lettings scheduled in June, they plan to spend the remaining \$200M. This does not count another \$200M that was pushed out to local governments to spend. If all goes in our favor, Indiana could be in line for additional Stimulus Money unspent by other states. We will have to continue to be patient and optimistic in 2009.

Even when the marketplace is slow we must be ever vigilant to watch what our legislators are doing. I am pleased to tell you that over 35 people have signed up to attend our Fly In to Washington on June 10-12. This speaks well for our industry and we have to continue to let Washington know what is important to us. We must urge them to re-fund the Highway Bill that expires in September. They must also be informed of our positions on environmental and safety issues. This goes for our state legislature as well. As you know, we don't have a state budget after July 1st and this could spell disaster if they don't step up to the plate and approve a budget that funds necessary programs and cuts out waste...all without raising taxes. I have faith that they will do the right thing but we must express our concerns...we can't be bystanders. Thanks to those participating in the Fly In to Washington.

Lastly, you still have time to help sponsor teachers for the June 23-25 workshop. This program can pay benefits many years down the road when you need help in your communities. Call the IMAA office if you need help or want to offer some type of sponsorship.

*Jeff Mellen*, President

## Clean Water Restoration Act from NSSGA

In a repeat of past weeks, the continued opposition from nearly the entire regulated community and National Association of Counties resulted in postponement until after Memorial Day of a mark-up of the controversial Clean Water Restoration Act. Apparently, Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works committee, is giving Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.) more time to find support for his alternative to the CWRRA, which would dramatically expand the jurisdiction of the Clean Water Act. Our industry should be very concerned that the legislation as drafted would expand CWA jurisdiction to virtually every wet area in an aggregates operation. For this reason, you should strongly oppose the bill and the Baucus alternative and views the delay as a positive development.

## Update on INDOT Spec Book orders!

If you placed an order for INDOT Spec Books through IMAA, that order is expected to be printed on June 11th and shipped within a few days after that. You should receive them by the end of the week of June 15th. If you did not order any.....we will have a few extras and can take care of some needs. Please call the IMAA office if you have questions.

# Membership Spotlight



## Congratulations Powerscreen of Indiana, Inc.

At The Terex Pegson Powerscreen Open Day in San Diego, California, Powerscreen of Indiana, Inc. was awarded America's Most Improved Dealer 2008. Powerscreen of Indiana's President, Gordon Anderson, was surprised and humbled to be honored in front of his peers and fellow dealers. Powerscreen of Indiana, Inc. strives to provide the best quality & service to their customers in mobile crushing and screening. They are looking forward to another great year in 2009 and continue to look for new opportunities to better serve the needs of the industry.

## Welcome New Member

**Clarke Power Services, Inc.**

751 US 41 So. Henderson, KY

Jeff Gehlhausen—Off Highway Sales Mgr.

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## Dates To Remember



Plans have been made for the  
16th Annual IMAA Grassroots Fly In  
to Washington, D.C. on June 10-12

Over 30 members (including family) will  
meet with the Indiana delegation to remind  
them of what is important to our industry.

### IMAA Joint Summer Meeting with Kentucky Crushed Stone Association

August 6–9, 2009 at  
French Lick Resort, French Lick, IN  
Look for Registration Information  
at [www.indmaa.org](http://www.indmaa.org)



IMAA PIE Golf Fundraiser  
September 16, 2009  
Eagle Creek Golf Course  
Indianapolis, IN



### 15th Annual IMAA Teachers' Workshop

June 23-25, 2009  
Conner Prairie  
Fishers, In  
Sponsor a Teacher today!

### **2009 INDOT Lettings**

June 3, 10, 24  
July 15, August 12,  
September 10, October 7,  
November 4, December 2

## The Source Report

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# Committee News

## PIE Committee News by Sonya Cowles, Chair

The date is fast approaching for our annual Teachers' Workshop, which will be held June 23-25, 2009 at Conner Prairie. There is still a small window of time left to contact teachers who either live or work in your local school districts. As a reminder, the highly anticipated and much enjoyed barbeque will once again be held on Tuesday June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Brandeis Machinery. The PIE Committee would like to encourage those in management positions from Producer Member and Associate Member companies who are sponsoring teachers to attend the barbeque. Thank you to all of you for your, continued support. It is much appreciated in these tough economic times. By sponsoring teachers you are providing excellent tools to help educate their students about the importance of our industry. Additionally, supporting the Teachers' Workshop provides your plants with a cost effective way of showing that they care about the schools and communities in which they do business. Have a great and productive summer~~~ we hope to see you at the barbeque.

## Plant Operators Training Committee News by Kevin Cox, Chair

The Plant Operator's Committee is currently at work planning the 2010 one-day seminar to be held on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, which is the day before the Winter Workshops. Our focus this year is to provide training on how to lower costs and improve profitability through the process of identifying and improving issues in your operation.

In addition to the planning of the one-day seminar, we are also discussing the topics for the breakout session to be presented at the Winter Workshops on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Preliminary discussion has been focused on the comparison of differing types of operating options.

Please feel free to contact a committee member with ideas or issues that you would like to see explored, and plan to attend the one-day seminar and Winter Workshops.

## 2008 Community Connection Award



Mulzer's Temple Quarry and its employees were the recipient of the 2008 Community Connection Award. Plant Superintendent, Troy McCorkle and plant employees accepted the award (left). They were treated to a catered luncheon as Mulzer company management showed their appreciation for the tremendous employee participation and hard work they gave to win the award. Tim Mulzer congratulates the employees for their accomplishment.

### Temple Quarry employees set the standard!

To give you an idea of what it took to win the 1st Community Connection Award here are some of the things that Mulzer employees did.

54 volunteers spent 378 man-hours serving their community in 14 separate events. Additionally, 20 people spent numerous (undocumented) hours helping as Volunteer Firemen, EMS, Coaches, 4-H leaders, Chamber of Commerce & Town Board leaders, and gospel outreach leaders. **We congratulate the Temple Quarry employees!**



