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2006 IMAA WINTER WORKSHOPS

Plans are in full swing for next years' Winter Workshops, February 1-2, 2006, featuring a visit from our new INDOT Commissioner, Tom Sharp. Don Knebel of Barnes & Thornburg will share information on Antitrust Laws—"What you can and can't do".

Bonus Opportunities are available for those attending the Environmental Workshop earning CEU's towards NPDES Wastewater Certifications. No additional cost to participants, but you must be registered for the regular total Winter Workshops. There will be 3 hours (CEU's) available for the Wednesday afternoon session and 2 hours (CEU's) for the Thursday morning session. You can attend one or both sessions, depending on your CEU needs. A sign-in sheet will be provided and witnessed by the instructor. They will then do the filing for you.

reCAPPING the CAPP SCHOOL

54 students participated
in this year's CAPP
School at Indiana
Wesleyan University on
November 14-18, 2005

Thanks to all INDOT and
industry instructors who
made this year's CAPP
School a success!

SAFETY WORKSHOP

The presentations included in the Safety Workshop session on Thursday morning may be used in part for Annual Refresher Training under 30 CFR 46.8. To qualify, your Training Plan must be amended and posted per 30 CFR 46.3 to advise of additional training topics and competent persons. A sign-in sheet will be provided for an attendance record.

WELCOME

Locke Reynolds LLP

New IMAA
Associate Member

Membership Spotlight

Indiana Rail Road Opens Rail Spur at Rogers Group Quarry

The Indiana Rail Road Company has opened a 2.5-mile rail spur at the Rogers Group quarry on the west side of Bloomington, IN. Rogers Group expects to see many benefits from this spur, "Direct access to rail service will allow Rogers Group to tap into new markets", said Greg Gould, vice president of Rogers Group, Inc.

Each rail carload of freight replaces four to five truckloads, explained Thomas G. Hoback, president and CEO of Indiana Rail Road. "Not only does this reduce traffic and road wear, but trains use far less fuel than trucks," he said. "In addition, many of our customers who also use trucks for some of their shipments are having significant problems getting enough trucks to handle traffic that they need."

"Our area benefits greatly when a long-standing, locally owned business is able to increase

productivity while at the same time significantly reducing the need for truck traffic through our community," said Bloomington Mayor Mark Kruzan.

The Indiana Rail Road company is a 155-mile regional freight railroad, hauling some 105,000 carloads of goods annually—more than 10 million tons between Indianapolis, south-central Indiana and east-central Illinois near Effingham. Founded in 1986, the company maintains headquarters in Indianapolis.

Started as a small roadside crushing operation in 1908 in Bloomington, Indiana by Ralph Rogers, the company now known as Rogers Group, Inc. has become the seventh largest crushed stone producer in the nation with 1,900 employees and facilities in five states. Rogers Group is still privately owned by Ralph Rogers' family.

Feel free to send in your "company news" for future newsletters.

ENDOWMENT FUND ESTABLISHED

The Department of Geological Sciences at Indiana University in conjunction with The Indiana University Foundation has established an endowment for a visiting professor in industrial minerals in honor of John B. Patton. The endowment fund has been established at The Indiana University Foundation and contributions from industry and individuals are now being solicited.

Send your contribution payable to Indiana University Foundation to The Department of Geological Sciences, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405, Attn: Laura Gano.



To learn more about the
Vincennes University Miner Training

GO TO:

[http://vinu.edu/FutureStudents/
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Leadership Development Seminar

Tuesday, January 31, 2006

REGISTER NOW — LIMITED SPACE!!

Seminar information and registration forms have been mailed out to members for this year's Leadership Development Seminar on Tuesday, January 31, 2006. Registration is limited to the first 40 participants. This seminar is designed for new managers, future managers, long-term managers, and recent transfers to management. Even if you are not able to

attend, or don't have someone to send, maybe someone else in your organization could benefit. This seminar features Frank Basile as speaker/moderator plus six (6) industry member panelists (from both Associate and Producer companies). Registration forms can also be found on our new website at <http://www.indmaa.org>

DATES TO REMEMBER

The Naples Grande Resort & Club
Naples, Florida
formerly "The Registry"

INDUSTRY CONVENTION
February 17-24, 2006
For Reservations
call 800-247-9810



SPRING THAW
Wednesday, March 15, 2006
Indiana Wesleyan University
Indianapolis, IN



April 23-26, 2006
Austin, Texas

“MAJOR MOVES” INITIATIVE FOR INDIANA

Governor Mitch Daniels recently announced a plan to fund a \$2.8 billion gap that the Indiana Department of Transportation has identified in its construction budget for the next 10 years. The Governor’s plan includes a long-term lease of the Indiana Toll Road, increasing the existing tolls on that same road, and constructing the new I-69 in a public-private partnership, as well as making the new I-69 a toll road.

The Indiana Mineral Aggregates Association, along with the Build Indiana Council and its six other member associations have jointly signed a Resolution applauding Governor Daniels’ initiative. Specifically, the Resolution states:

“We applaud Governor Daniels’ Major Moves initiative to fund state highway projects in Indiana. This aggressive funding plan:

- *Emphasizes the link between improving Indiana’s highway system and Indiana’s future economic growth.*
- *Validates the urgent need to increase the investment in Indiana’s highway system.*
- *Makes highway funding a top priority for the State of Indiana, Governor Daniels’ administration and the 2006 General Assembly.*

We look forward to working with Governor Daniels, INDOT and the Indiana General Assembly on passing legislation that funds Indiana’s highway needs in the best interests of all Indiana citizens, including Indiana’s highway industry.”

2005 Award Nominations are Due NOW

Excellence In Mining

Miner of the Year

Trucker of the Year

Trucking Company of the Year

**Send nominations to the Association
office at**

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

By John Schuler, Co-Chairman

The legislative committee met to discuss the importance of IMAA being involved in this year’s legislative session that begins January 4, 2006. Governor Daniels has proposed an aggressive means of raising \$10.6 billion to fund the much needed highway infrastructure projects in Indiana.

The committee has recommended that IMAA adopt January 4th as Aggregate Legislative Action Day to call on our legislators and convey to them the importance of passing legislation this session that will raise the necessary money to guarantee long-term and stable funding for state and local highway improvements.

There will be more information to follow, so watch your mail for this important message and the action that you need to take on January 4, 2006.