



Safety / Health Awareness Research Program

# SHARP Safety Conference 2013 REPORT

## CONFERENCE REPORT

### SHARPen Leadership Skills

*“Developing and Nurturing Safety Leadership, Culture and Climate”*



#### SHARP Members:

- *Conifer and member companies*
- *USW Local 1-424*
- *USW Local 1-425*
- *Canfor*
- *West Fraser Mills*
- *Tolko Industries*

Over 160 Delegates participated in this Year's, Safety Conference . There was an overwhelming positive response by delegates to the relevance and value of the conference.

Delegates took every opportunity to network with their peers to share positive experiences and best practices in safety from their respective workplaces. There was a renewal of acquaintances and friends from the many different mills and other place of work represented at the conference.

This years presenter were:

- Richard Hawk—How to Create a Vibrant Safety Culture
- Phil Kolbuc— Facilitated a round table discussion on best practices in Leadership, & culture
- Mark Johnson— Related his personal story of a workplace injury and his recovery
- Paul Pascoe—What is this Safety Culture and Leadership stuff?
- Michael Higgins—Emergency response to Unplanned Events. Followed by a forum facilitated by Cam Meroniuk and Dean Colville, SHARP Trustees, asking What are you doing about emergency planning and what could be better?
- John Drebinge—Would You Watch Out For My Safety.

**Presenters Contact Information:**

Richard Hawk—[www.make safety fun](http://www.make safety fun). Richard will send out a weekly safety bulletin to people who contact his website

Paul Pascoe—Pozniak Safety Associates Website [www.pozniaksafety.com](http://www.pozniaksafety.com)

John Drebinger— [www.drebinger.com](http://www.drebinger.com). John has links to information and videos on his website

WorksafeBC has videos from injured workers on its website [www.worksafebc.com](http://www.worksafebc.com) and follow links to videos

Phil Kolbuc [www.humanresourcestraining.ca](http://www.humanresourcestraining.ca)

Emergency Planning— <http://embc.gov.bc.ca> and follow the many links for emergency plans

**Facility:**

**The Westwood MB Church was a gracious host to the conference and once again we were greatly appreciative of the facility**

**Food: Tina's Catering produced fabulous food and kept everyone well fed throughout the 2 days, especially noted were the "sticky buns"**

**Market Place Participants:**

- Acklands Grainger
- BC Forest Safety Council
- Diabetes Assoc
- WCB Employers Advisor
- Canadian Cancer Society
- BC Council on Substance Abuse

**SHARP Conference Committee:**

**Cam Meroniuk, Conifer**

**Ed Ma, Tolko**

**Brad Evans, Excel Transportation Inc.**

**Brian O'Rourke USW local 1-424**

**Dean Colville USW local 1-425**

**Don Hope, Conference Coordinator**