

(PHOENIX - March 18, 2016) - Representatives from the Industrial Commission of Arizona (ICA) gathered with hundreds of stakeholders at the Arizona State Capitol on March 14 for the first annual ICA Day at the Capitol. The event was held to recognize partners in the community working to develop proactive safety and health programs and to honor Arizona workers that have been injured or lost their life while on the job.

The day started off with opening remarks by Arizona State Senator Kimberly Yee. Senator Yee applauded the ICA for focusing their collaborative process of working alongside businesses to increase safety through the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). VPP sets performance-based criteria for a managed safety and health system, invites sites to apply, and then assesses applicants against these criteria.



Arizona State Senator Kimberly Yee

Those honored at the Capitol for their hard work included Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station. Bob Bement, APS Senior Vice President of Nuclear Operations stated, "Our collaboration with the Arizona Division of Occupational Safety and Health (ADOSH) further demonstrates how government and private industry can work together to ensure employee injuries and illnesses are avoided, while also working together to support Arizona's growing economy."

L&H Industrial, a heavy machinery manufacturing facility in Tempe, was among those recognized. L&H Health and Safety Manger Tyler McLaughlin stated, "If it was not

for our employees' hard work and dedication to safety we would not have been recognized today. This award shows the dedication of our employees for taking the high road to safety every day and going home safe at the end of each shift."

The event was rounded out by Kids' Chance and the Fred Brick Memorial Foundation. The Fred Brick Memorial Foundation had Seth Burns speak about his inspiring success in overcoming a severe workplace accident. Foundation Director, Lisa Clapp stated, "Having the opportunity for Seth Burns to share his story concerning the life threatening workplace injury he suffered, the aftermath of medical, emotional, and financial burdens brought to the forefront, the reason we strive for workplace safety."

Eleven entities were recognized for their focus on safety and two organizations that support the families of those injured in the workplace were honored. This was the first ICA Day at the Capitol.

Recipients and honorees:

- Raytheon Missile Systems
- Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station
- Abseilon, USA
- L&H Industrial, Inc.
- Westec Recyclers
- The City of Yuma
- Associated General Contractors of Arizona
- Arizona Builders Alliance
- D&A Experts
- Carson Sales Company
- Mohave Community College Small Business Development Center
- Fred Brick Memorial Foundation
- Kids' Chance



ADOSH Director Bill Warren & L&H Industrial Tyler McLaughlin

