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NUCA East TN Achieves 4 Stars

NUCA East TN earns top honors, three years in a row!



Sept 25,2023 - Oct16,2023 NUCA East TN participated in the NUCA National Signing Day Event and “signed” three new members to our chapter as well as a new member for NUCA Mid TN and NUCA KY!

Of course, we also want to recognize Branz Technology, Rangeline and the Commercial Credit Group for joining the NUCA East TN Chapter in early Sept, just days before the NSD campaign kicked off!

Special thanks to one of our newest Board Members, Jason Robertson, Erosion Solutions, for being named as one of our top recruiters by NUCA National during the NSD event and to our Member Recruitment & Benefits Chairs Trey Goethals, Cleary Construction and John Fritts, TIS Insurance, who never stop sharing the value of membership with NUCA East TN to Contractors and Suppliers in our area! Thanks for making us shine bright guys!!

New Members



2nd Utilities Safety Summit & Expo

Feb 15, 2024 @ The Expo Center
(5441 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37912)

Tickets:

\$25 members

(includes: Lunch, sessions and expo)

\$35 Non-Members

(includes: Lunch, sessions and expo)

\$10 Expo Ticket Only

(includes expo and lunch)

\$5 Student

(includes expo and lunch)

Scan to get tickets
Or visit NUCAETN.com
Group Billing: Contact
Wendi@NUCA.com



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Summit Sessions:

9:00am - 3:00pm

Live Demos

9:00am - 3:00pm

Expo:

10:00am - 4:00pm

*Over 100 Industry Vendor Booths
 Leading Experts & Safety Professionals*

Sessions:

- Trench Safety
- Erosion Control
- Traffic Control
- Blueprint Reading
- Hazards onsite
- Confined Space
- Rigging 101
- Damage Prevention
- Fall Protection
- Dewatering
- Impact of Silica
- Pipeline Safety
- Hazmat
- Hand Safety

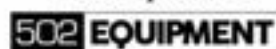
Live Demos

GRE Credits for sessions

Presenting Sponsor:



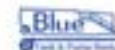
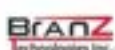
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Silver Sponsors:



Event Sponsors:



Tickets



2024 Session Schedule

8am

Trench Safety

Speaker: Andy Graves,
United Rentals

8am

Pipeline Repair &
Safe Handling

Speaker: James
Gibson, Consolidated
Pipe and Supply

9am

Onsite Rigging

Speaker: JP Biondo,
I & I Slings

9am

Confined Space

Speaker: Tim Luttrell,
Utility Staffing
Resources

10am

Fall Protection

Speaker: Lloyd Hicks,
Hicks Safety Services

10am

Damage Prevention

Speaker: Craig
Ingram, TN 811

11am

Erosion Control on
the Job Site

Speaker: Sterling
Phillips, Erosion
Solutions

11am

Environmental Due
Diligence

Speaker: Gary Tong,
Marsh McLennan



Almost SOLD OUT!!

Just a few booths and large equipment spots left so if you have not reserved yours, do so today!!



Vendors;

United Rentals, 502 Equipment, McCoy Forestry and Construction, Consolidated Pipe & Supply, Griffin Dewatering, KUB, Tennessee 811, Branz Technology, Brabston Trucking, Blue Tank & Pump Rental, StowersCAT, United Graphics Inc., TOSHA, Milwaukee Tools, Pirtek of Knoxville, Southern Safety, Hicks Safety Services, Antraquip Corp, TIS Insurance, Erosion Solutions, Contractors Machinery, I&I Slings, Tracer, Xylem, Higginbotham, Scientific Safety, Knox HydroVac, Joe Johnson Equipment, Higginbotham, Fisher Phillips, and Utilities Resource Staffing.



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TRAIN THE TRAINER COURSE

UPCOMING COURSE

April 23-26

1598 Green Lea Blvd

Gallitan, Tennessee 37066

NUCA-Approved Instructors are an elite group of individuals who have helped to build and improve this program as the years passed. Just as your trained employees are retiring, so are many of our trainers, creating a need for new, well-trained instructors to teach the NUCA programs.

PRICE (NUCA MEMBERS ONLY):

Competent Person Training:

\$587/person

Confined Space Entry Training:

\$587/person

Both Trainings: \$1,174/person

INSTRUCTORS:

MIKE FLOWERS | JACOB PONCE

CONTACT MIKE FLOWERS TO REGISTER:

 703-358-9300

 Mike@nuca.com

<https://www.nuca.com/trainthetrainer>





NEW

2024 Member Directory

NUCA East TN

Membership Benefit:

- Every Member listed under your membership will receive a copy.
- Complimentary listing of your company name, primary contact and business information



Advertising space available

Size: 5.75 x
8.5

- **Premier Full Page Ad: \$1000**
 - Inside ~~Front Cover~~ (SOLD) Backside of Tabbed Dividers, and Inside Back Cover
 - Includes Premier placement, Company logo on the listing, and up to 10 employee listings (GM, Sales, Safety, Territory, etc) which would include: contact person's name, phone, email, mailing address, website, 1 sentence description, and Member since date.

Size: 5.75 x
8.5

- **Full Page Ad: \$750**
 - Can be placed in the area of preference or across from Members listing
 - Includes full page placement, Company logo on the listing, and up to 6 employee listings (GM, Sales, Safety, Territory, etc) which would include: contact person's name, phone, email, mailing address, website, 1 sentence description, and Member since date.

Size: 5.4 x
3.5

- **Half Page Ad: \$500**
 - Will be placed on the same page as the member listing or on the same double-page spread.
 - Includes 1/2 page placement, Company logo on the listing, and up to 4 employee listings (GM, Sales, Safety, Territory, etc) which would include: contact person's name, phone, email, mailing address, website, 1 sentence description, and Member since date.

Interested in learning more, contact Wendi@nuca.com



Welcome New Member



Primary Contact: Logan Bunch
 Email: logan.bunch@adspipe.com
 Phone:

(O) 859-556-5598

Locations:
 4624 Chambliss Ave
 Knoxville, TN 37919

[www.ADSPPIPE.COM](http://www.adspipe.com)

The Reason is **Water**

Advanced Drainage Systems (ADS) is focused on drainage products and services that deliver solutions for the most persistent and challenging water management problems. From safely pre-treating and managing stormwater runoff, to helping developers and property owners harvest rainwater, we focus on the development of water solutions that make land more arable, cities more livable, and the world a greener place to live.

Advanced Drainage Systems is a leading manufacturer of innovative stormwater and onsite septic wastewater solutions that manages the world's most precious resource: water. ADS and its subsidiary, Infiltrator Water Technologies, provide superior stormwater drainage and onsite septic wastewater products used in a wide variety of markets and applications including commercial, residential, infrastructure and agriculture, while delivering unparalleled customer service.



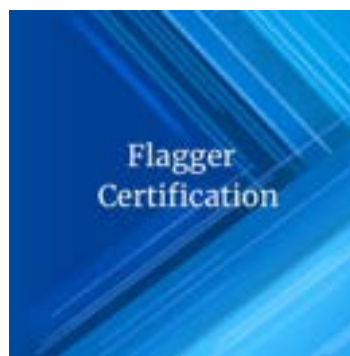
Member Benefits

SAFETY, TRAINING, & EDUCATION

- Training Classes & Certifications
 - Competent Person, Confined Space
 - Train the Trainer (EXCLUSIVE to NUCA Members)
 - Crew Leader & Advanced Crew Leader
 - NEW Damage Prevention Train the Trainer
- NUCA STAR
 - Safety evaluation program
 - Ratings are given by a NUCA Review Board
 - Recognition by NUCA online & at conference
 - Possible insurance discounts
- Online Resources - Toolbox Talks and much more!
- Mike Flowers, mike@nuca.com



NUCA East TN Safety Trainings



Dates:
 Feb/March TBD
 June 25 - 27
 Nov 12-14



Member Benefits



DAMAGE PREVENTION & CLAIMS AVOIDANCE

- Damage Prevention & Claims Avoidance Program (CAP)
 - Consultation with nationally known damage prevention expert, free of charge, then 1 free hour of claims evaluation every 3 months
 - Contact Wendi@nuca.com to learn how to get connected to Ron Peterson, our Damage Prevention Expert.
- Safety Damage Prevention Conference (SDP)



Interested
in learning
more?

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NUCA East TN Lunches

Damage Prevention Committee

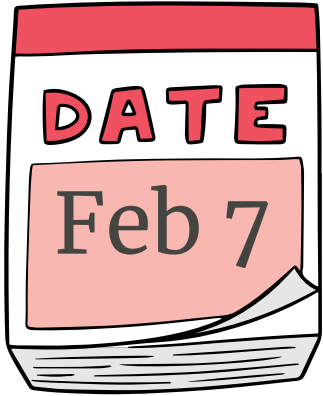
NUCA East TN is excited to announce that we are launching our Damage Prevention Committee in 2024.

The Damage Prevention Committee will be a forum to keep NUCA East TN in the forefront of the damage prevention community.

The committee will also focus on developing proactive measures to prevent damages and limit contractor liability.



Webinar Wednesday



CFO In The Know: Addressing Costly Tech Mistakes

Innovations in technology have notoriously failed to meet the needs of the construction industry. Independently purchased software programs did not work together as advertised, leaving a "tech

stack" with no solutions. Join NUCA National Partner Tenna on February 7 at 2:00pmET in our latest member webinar to learn why failing to improve your company's "tech stack" can be detrimental to your daily operations. Tenna's expert Russ Young delivers attendees actionable steps on how to avoid these costly pitfalls when implementing new technologies. He emphasizes the importance of technology and picking the right tool for the job. [Register here.](#)

Welcome New Member!

Powell Clinch Utility District (PCUD) is a not-for-profit municipal utility serving portions of Anderson and Campbell counties.

PCUD's mission is To Provide Safe and Efficient Energy Service to Our Customers and since 1959 we have strived to accomplish this mission by providing superior customer service, professional safety-focused gas service and competitive gas rates.

PCUD is headquartered in Rocky Top where its administrative office and operations facility are located. A branch office is also located in LaFollette. PCUD offers natural gas along with sales, service and installation of gas appliances. Presently PCUD serves approximately 17,000 customers, has 67 employees and its distribution system covers approximately 800 miles of gas main line.



Member Benefits

BUSINESS SAVINGS PROGRAMS - INSURANCE+



- In partnership with CIRCA Managers working with partnering agents
- Captive Insurance owned by NUCA members - workers' comp, general liability, auto liability
- Open to only qualified NUCA members

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Michael Larsen,
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- In partnership with Memberfy
- Discounts on a full spectrum of insurance plans: Health, Disability, Life, 401k, etc. for your organization & employees
- HR Solutions: HR Apps, content library, compliance tools, handbook creation, Learning Management System (training for employees), OSHA Logs, and much more.
- Open to all members

Theresa Dixon,
T.dixon@memberfy.com,
804-767-1912



- In partnership with FCCI Insurance Group - can be written by any FCCI agent/brokerage firms
- Commercial Insurance - Auto, contractor's E&O, crime, property, general liability, and much more
- Group dividend - NUCA members can receive financial rewards from FCCI's group dividend program based on their policy and loss experience
- Local claim support, Surety Bond discounts (25% off) and equipment discounts
- Open to all members
- For more information, [click here!](#)

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Portfolio of Product Offerings Customized Insurance Solutions



Retirement Planning 401(K) Program

WHAT'S YOUR PLAN FOR RETIREMENT

Retirement & Financial Planning

401(K)
The power of a group plan with the flexibility to customize your own plan design.

Whole Life
Guaranteed to remain in force for the insured's lifetime.

Buy-Sell Programs
Gives owners a valuation and plan for the exit of one of the partners due to death or disability.

Key Person
Provides a business with protection against the untimely death of a key person.



Day on the Hill

March 6
Join Us!

Make Your Voice Heard

*Take this quick survey
and let us know what your
top priorities are in 2024*



The Schedule

March 6;

- 8:00am Meeting
Briefing
- 9:00am - 11:30am
Legislative
Meetings
- 11:30 - 1:00pm
Lunch
- 1:00 - 3:00pm
Legislative
Meetings
- 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Reception @
Sheraton Grand
Hotel



Hotel Information: Sheraton Grand
Nashville, 623 Union St, Nashville.

Contact Wendi@nuca.com
for more information and
meeting schedule



Day on the Hill 2023

TUCA PAC

Who We Are:

In today's regulatory and legislative environment, it is more important than ever that our association does all it can as an industry to work with the various local and state elected officials that impact our outcomes. TUCA PAC will be an instrumental vehicle we can utilize to help educate and promote our association and build industry champions within the government arena.

What We Do:

- support significant relationships with pro-infrastructure representatives
- represent your interest and our industry
- build a better infrastructure in your community & state

Join Us: Sign Up

ETN Members:



Presidential:

- Cleary Construction
- Hurst Excavating



Cabinet:

- Brown Construction
- Southern Constructors



Senate:

- Adams & Sons
- Consolidated & Pipe Supply
- Franklin Underground Utility Services
- Knox HydroVac
- Merkel Bros.
- Pipeline Construction
- Rodefer Moss
- Stowers Machinery
- Talley Construction



Members:

- TN 811
- Ed Everette
- Timothy Basch
- Wendi Mullins



Member Benefits



ADVOCACY

NUCA's Government Affairs Team does more than just monitor legislation and regulations - we influence them on a **National AND State level**, too.

- [NUCA Advocacy Center Online](#)
- [Washington Summit](#) (fly-in event in DC)
- GA Committee, quarterly
- Active membership to various coalitions & business associations
- [Muster Advocacy Programs](#), Grassroots campaigns & proclamations
- Zach Perconti, zachp@nuca.com
 - Always available to chapters and members for questions about legislation, government programs, and how they can affect your business!

NUCA Advocacy Priorities - 2024

- Protecting Funding for Underground Infrastructure
 - Water Infrastructure in FY24 and FY25; Reauthorizing the SRF programs in after FY26 at or above ITJA/BIL supplemental levels
- Workforce Development
- Damage Prevention (PHMSA Reauthorization) at federal and state level
- Permitting Reform
- Tax Policy - R&D, Interest Deductibility, and Bonus Depreciation
- Regulatory and Labor Issues
- **And much, much more!**
- Congressional Elections in 2024; NUCA/PAC working to elect pro-infrastructure and pro-business candidates to Congress



HAPPY HOUR

THURSDAY, JAN 18, 2024
5PM-7PM
FIELDHOUSE SOCIAL
2525 UNIVERSITY COMMONS
WAY, KNOXVILLE

Sponsored By:






2nd Annual
Utility Contractor Demo Day
April 11, 2024



Presented By:


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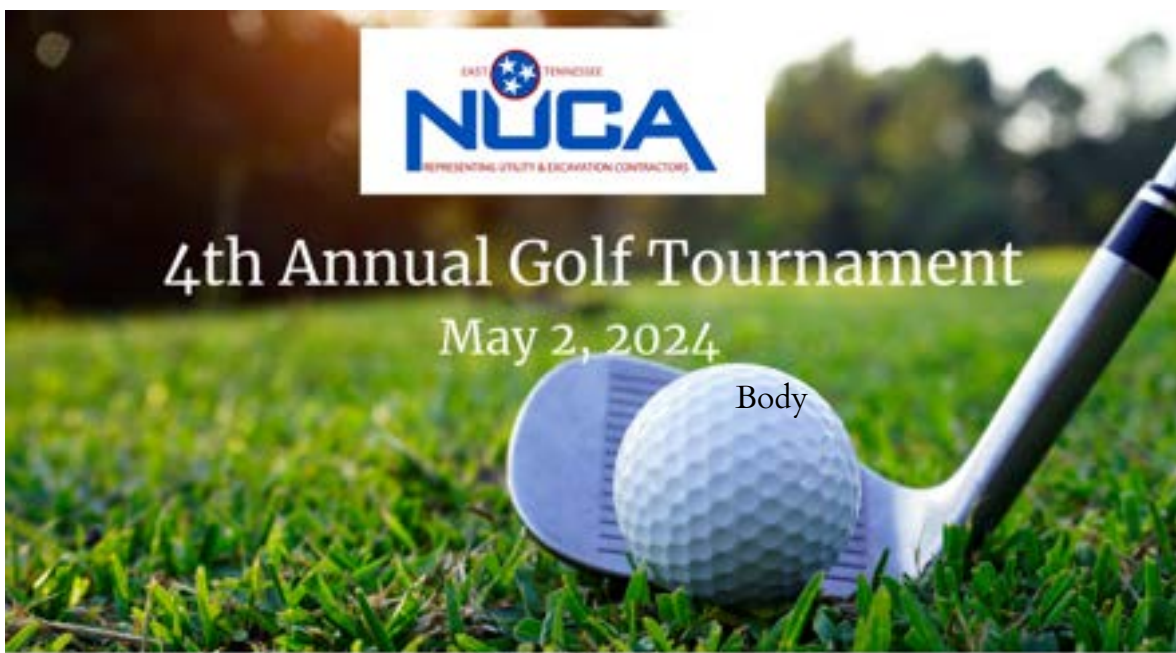
Event Sponsors:




Demo Spots available
HERE



4th Annual Golf Tournament
May 2, 2024



Presented By:




Silver Sponsor:




Bronze Sponsor:



Shot Cart Sponsor:



Golf Teams and Sponsorship
available
HERE



Members who have already secured their sponsorship and teams!

2024

Feb 15, 2024
Utilities Safety Summit & Expo



Feb 20, 21 & 23
Safety Training



March 6
Day on the Hill



March 21, 2024
Happy Hour



April 4, 2024
Safe Dig Luncheon



April 11, 2024
Utility Contractor Demo Day



May 2, 2024
4th Annual Golf Tournament



May 9, 2024
Happy Hour



Sept 6, 2024
Dove Hunt

October 2024
Clay Shoot Tournament

Fall 2024
Tailgate Tennessee



Secure your Team or Sponsorship NOW!



NUCA East TN Scholarship & Grant Program

2024 - 2025 Scholarship Program

NUCA ETN Scholarship:

- Scholarships awarded will range from \$500 - \$1000
- Money will be paid directly to the College or Trade School of the applicant's choice.



2024 - 2025 Grant Program

NUCA ETN Grant Program:

- Applicable to graduating students going directly into the industry.
- Applicant must be from the East TN Region or working in the East TN Region.

Sponsored By:



Email: Wendi@nuca.com to get the application and review the criteria



2024-2025

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Franklin Underground Utilities

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Board Meetings

All Board Meetings are open to NUCA East TN Members in Good Standing

Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month

Jan 10, 2024

Feb 7, 2024

March 13, 2024

April 10, 2024

May 8, 2024

June 12, 2024

July 10, 2024

Aug 14, 2024

Sept 11, 2024

Oct 9, 2024

Nov 13, 204

Dec 11, 2024

Committee Meetings

Committee Meetings are open to anyone from the Utility Excavation Industry

Safety & Education Meeting

First Thursday of the Month,

12 - 1pm

Zoom

Government Affairs & Advocacy

Second Monday of the month

12noon - 1pm

Zoom

Membership Recruitment

Bi-Monthly

Member Companies:

