



Workers Memorial Day

April 28, 2011 - Noon

Mankato Mn/DOT Facility

Workers Memorial Day is sponsored nationwide by the AFL-CIO to honor those killed and injured on the job and to call for improved workplace safety. Mn/DOT joins this special day by honoring 33 state highway workers and 13 contract workers who died in the line of duty since 1960.

Hosts

AFSCME Local 280

Mn/DOT District 7

Program

- ❖ Welcome
- ❖ Workers Honored
- ❖ Comments by Special Guests
 - ❖ Memorial Park Plans
 - ❖ Moment of Silence
 - ❖ *Lunch*

Special Guests

- ❖ Governor Mark Dayton
- ❖ U.S. and Minnesota Legislators
- ❖ Mn/DOT Commissioner Tom Sorel
- ❖ State Patrol Captain Lori Betterton
- ❖ AFSCME Executive Director Eliot Seide
- ❖ Mankato Building Trades Unions President Lee Hiller

Special Honorees

- ❖ Michael J. Struck Family
- ❖ Darrell Blackwell Family

Sponsors

AFSCME Local 280 & South East Area Labor Council and Mankato Area Labor Unions with special thanks to Hy Vee and Lowes

Welcome to the new Multi-Transportation Facility

The new \$25 million facility, completed in 2010, houses regional offices for the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Driver & Vehicle Services and State Patrol.

The new building and site offers customers a “one stop shopping” for their transportation needs and coordination and efficiency among the state transportation agencies.

Energy efficiency is a major component of the new building with geothermal heating and cooling, natural lighting and numerous automated systems.

Employees would like to thank the 2008 Legislature and the citizens of Minnesota for the new building that was designed for improved efficiency and safer working conditions.

Drive safely

For many here today, the highways we drive on are their work place. We would like to remind everyone to use extra caution during construction and maintenance season.

- Check 511 for up-to-date information about traffic and road conditions.
- Stay alert, expect the unexpected.
- Be especially alert at night when driving through work zones.
- Never enter a road that has been blocked with barriers or cones.
- Minimize distractions.
 - Don't use cell phones.
 - Remember text messaging while driving is illegal.
 - Don't eat or drink while driving.
- Avoid tailgating. Keep plenty of space between you and the vehicle ahead.
- Follow posted speed limits; fines double in work zones.
- Stay in one lane while driving through a work zone; don't pass or change lanes unnecessarily.
- Be patient.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.

In Memory of Mike Struck

Mike was highly regarded by his fellow employees. In addition to his outstanding work ethic and valued experience, his smiling, joking and teasing will likely be missed the most. We were privileged to work with Mike during his nine years of Mn/DOT service.

Mike's co-workers have established a MIKE STRUCK FAMILY MEMORIAL FUND to help with Kaylee (6) and Gavin's (4) education/college expenses. Donations can be made at the Nicollet County Bank in St. Peter.