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Please find below a variety of current news items to address and share with the Fleet Safety Council network.

I. Fleet Safety Council and IHSA News

- FSC 32nd Annual Conference Update: **Save the date.** The FSC Conference Committee is excited to announce that the date has been set for the 32nd Annual Conference. The conference will be taking place on Friday October 27th, 2023 at Millennium Gardens Banquet Centre. More details will be released soon.
- [FSC Hamilton/Niagara Spring Seminar](#): **Registration is open!** The Hamilton Niagara Chapter has opened registration for their annual spring seminar taking place on Thursday March 30th 2023 at the Holiday Inn in Burlington. This year the topic is “The Big Three” and will feature a panel moderated by John Farquhar (Summit Risk Solutions) and will include Bonnie Learn (Northbridge Insurance), Bud Kneller (Frontline Commercial Vehicle Solutions), Chris Harris (Safety Dawg) and Michael Derry (Summit Risk Solutions).
- [New IHSA Safety Podcasts](#): IHSA continues to add new podcasts. Check out the latest episodes (Episode 49) [Health and Safety Resources for Small Business \(Part 2\)](#) and (Episode 50) [Health and Safety Resources for Small Business \(Part 3\)](#). This is a continuation of the previous episode and part of a series of podcasts, intended to help enable small businesses in Ontario achieve compliance. Follow the link to the listen to the podcasts and remember to subscribe using [Apple Podcasts](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), [Stitcher](#) or [RSS Feed](#).
- [Reminder: IHSA’s Road Safety Solutions](#): As is the case for all business processes, achieving your road safety goals starts with a robust plan built on a solid foundation. Whether a company is large, medium, or small, and whether employees drive company-owned or employee-owned vehicles, your road safety plan needs a practical framework. Check out IHSA’s Road Safety Solutions to see what new resources and tools are available to help your business.
- IHSA eLearning Programs: Several of [IHSA’s eLearning programs](#) are on sale until March 31st. Don’t miss your chance to purchase these great programs:
 - [Asbestos Awareness](#): \$20 (regular \$35)
 - [Occupational Health in Construction](#): \$14.99 (Regular \$20)
 - [Occupational Mental Health](#): \$14.99 (Regular \$20)
 - [Preventing Slip, Trips, and Falls](#): \$14.99 (Regular \$20)
 - [Trenching Safety Hazard Awareness](#): \$20 (Regular \$35)
- IHSA Social Media: Are you following IHSA on social media? Click on the links below to learn more about IHSA on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#).
- [IHSA 2-Minute News](#): Click on the link to register for IHSA’s 2-Minute News to ensure that you are receiving all of the latest news, announcements, safety advisories, event registrations and more from the Infrastructure Health and Safety Association.

II. Transportation & Industry Related News

- [ATRI – Top 100 Truck Bottlenecks 2023](#): The American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) has released its 12th annual list highlighting the most congested bottlenecks for trucks in America.
- [ATRI Launches New Survey to Understand Impacts of Marijuana Legalization](#): ATRI has launched a survey seeking motor carrier input on the impact of marijuana legalization on the trucking industry's workforce. This research was identified as a top priority in 2022 by ATRI's Research Advisory Committee and will expand on ATRI's 2019 study on the impacts of marijuana legalization on roadway safety.
- [Canadian Occupational Safety Article](#): Canada ratifies treaty to end workplace violence and harassment.
- [City News Article](#): FSC Members, Mike Millian (PMTC) and Kim Richardson (KRTS), were recently interviewed by City News on MELT.
- [City News Article](#): TTC bus driver pulls seniors to safety before train strikes car in Scarborough.
- [PMTC Awards Program](#): The 2023 PMTC Awards Program is now open for entries and the deadline to enter is April 30th, 2023. Click on the link to learn more about the program.
- [PMTC Conference Agenda Announced](#): The Private Motor Truck Council of Canada has announced the full agenda and schedule for its 2023 Conference which will be taking place at the Hamilton Convention Centre from June 21st – 23rd.
- [PMTC & OTDS Announce the Release of the 7th Annual Canadian Private Fleet Benchmarking Survey](#): The PMTC and OTDS have announced that the 7th annual PMTC Canadian Private Fleet benchmarking survey is now live. This study is open for completion by all private fleets which have a base of operations in Canada.
- [PMTC Press Release](#): Ontario proposing changes to the air brake license renewal process and knowledge test requirements.
- [TCA Safety and Security Meeting](#): The TCA has opened registration and announced the details for its annual safety and security meeting which will be taking place June 11th – 13th in San Antonio Texas. Click on the link for more details.
- [Trucking HR Canada – Women with Drive 2023](#): Registration is open for the Women with Drive 2023 Conference. Click on the link to see the full agenda and to register.
- [Trucking HR Canada Bill C-3 Resource](#): Trucking HR Canada has developed a resource for Bill C-3, which took effect on Dec 1, 2022, requiring federally regulated companies of any size to provide 10 days of paid sick leave for employees and provide leave of absence from work of up to 8 weeks in the event of the death of a child or the loss of an unborn child. Click on the link to download the resource checklist.
- [Truck News – Goodyear Recognized Highway Hero](#): J.B. Hunt driver Andrew Waits of Tacoma, Wash., was named Goodyear's 2022 Highway Hero at the Technology & Maintenance Council meetings of the American Trucking Associations.
- [Truck News - Erb Driver Named Highway Angel](#): The TCA has named the longhaul driver who pulls freight for Erb Transport a Highway Angel for stopping to help the boy who drove his snowmobile across the highway and was hit by a vehicle.
- [Truck News – Ontario's First eMV Set to Begin Customer Trials](#): Ontario's first all-electric International eMV has found a home at Rush Truck Centres in Mississauga, Ont., but it won't be parked long before heading out on a busy demonstration tour.

- [Truck News - Driver Inc. Challenges Triggered by Complaints, Audits, and Questionnaires](#): According to a transportation lawyer from Gardiner Roberts fleets that misclassify truck drivers as independent contractors rather than employees face a growing number of court cases when the business relationships come to an end.
- [Truck News - Drivers' 'Eyes and Ears' Can Help Stamp out Human Trafficking](#): The Know Human Trafficking trailer and a panel on human trafficking were featured at the TTSAO 7th Annual Conference on February 22nd (Human Trafficking Awareness Day).
- [Nominations for the TAT Harriet Tubman Award](#): TAT is seeking nominations for the TAT Harriet Tubman Award presented by Protective Insurance, complete with a \$2,500 check and a gala weekend at the Indy500. For more details on this award please click on the link.

III. Regulatory News

- [Employment and Social Development Canada](#):
 - [News Release](#): Government of Canada invests in skills training to address shortages in trucking industry.
- [Office of the Premier](#)
 - [News Release](#): Ontario providing better service. ServiceOntario improvements saving people time and money.
- [Ministry of Finance](#):
 - [News Release](#): Ontario releases 2022-23 third quarter finances. Latest fiscal update demonstrates Ontario's economy remains resilient amid global challenges.
- [Ministry of Health](#)
 - [News Release](#): Your Health - A plan for connected and convenient care. The Ontario government is connecting people to convenient care, close to home.
- [Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry](#)
 - [News Release](#): Ontario building vital indigenous road links. Provincial investment connecting remote First Nation communities to essential goods and services.
- [Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat](#)
 - [News Release](#): Ontario preparing people and communities for future emergencies.

Other Helpful Ministry Links:

- [Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services](#)
- [Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism](#)
- [Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade](#)
- [Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries](#)
- [Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development](#)
- [Ministry of the Solicitor General](#)
- [Ministry of Transportation Ontario](#)

IV. FSC Chapter Recap: February 2023

Please see below for a quick review of some of the guest speakers and topics covered at the FSC meetings in February! Click on the links to view a recording of the presentations for virtual meetings.

Chapter	Speaker/Topic
Central Ontario (Cambridge)	Geoff Wood (OTA and CTA) & James Steed (OTA Chair) Transportation Industry Issues Update
Central Eastern (Durham)	Grant Conrad, Compliancy Plus Administration Services ELD Update
Eastern Ontario (Ottawa)	Glyn Jones, EHS Partnerships Limited COR: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly
Hamilton/Niagara	Kim Meszaros (University of Waterloo/CRE-MSD) & Laura Todoruk (WSIB) Musculoskeletal Disorder (MSD) Prevention
Southwestern Ontario (London)	Kim Meszaros (University of Waterloo/CRE-MSD) & Laura Todoruk (WSIB) Musculoskeletal Disorder (MSD) Prevention
Toronto	Alex Bugeya, Frontline Commercial Vehicle Solutions CVOR Record Review, Preparing for a Facility Audit

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