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SWINGLE LAWN, TREE & LANDSCAPE CARE EMPOWERS EMPLOYEES TO PREVENT INJURIES WITH ADVANCED SAFETY TRAINING

A leader in safety practices, Swingle employs the only 3 Certified Treecare Safety Professionals (CTSP) in the state of Colorado.

Denver, Colorado – Bernie Smith, Assistant Manager for Enhancement Services and Jennifer Mohlman, Assistant Plant Health Care Manager for Protection Services from Swingle, recently received their Certified Treecare Safety Professional (CTSP) accreditation. Swingle proudly employs the only (3) CTSP accredited professionals in the entire state of Colorado including Shane Vosberg, Enhancement Services Supervisor who was certified in 2006.

This program emphasizes the core elements of an effective safety program as well sub-elements critical to proper management. It helps landscape care companies and their employees to build well established safety practices. The objectives of this program are to eliminate work-related fatalities, injuries and illnesses as well as their associated costs by encouraging employees to develop and implement safety policies and procedures.

The results of the CTSP certification are becoming a safety coach for the company, not the safety police. These training methods empower employees to protect themselves and their co-workers.

“Safety practices and training, regulatory compliance, established policy and procedure as well as hiring practices and equipment training are vital to our industry. Every accident is a roll of the dice. If you continue to have accidents, sooner or later someone gets hurt,” says Smith.

Building a network of Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA) - certified safety coaches is part of a proven need for a program designed to help the tree care industry address specific problems related to preventing injuries. Statistics show that the longer you are in the tree care industry, the more likely you are to be involved in an accident.

“Both Smith’s and Mohlman’s commitment exemplifies a continuation for an effective safety culture at Swingle...demonstrating an overall practice to workplace safety completely free of injuries,” says Tom Tolkacz, President of Swingle.

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