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Act Now!

- Work-Comp Report & Rebate – Due Feb 15 – Forms here: bit.ly/LoggerRebate
- Renew your MLEP Membership
- Subscribe to the eTREELINE bit.ly/eTREELINE
- Register for Conferences, trainings at mlep.org



Heard Elsewhere:

- Lane Moser announced as new SFEC Program Coordinator
- 2021 Logger Sentiment Survey coming in March
- 2022 SFI Standards bit.ly/SFI2022

The Newsletter of the Minnesota Logger Education Program

Register Now for LogSafe, Conferences

MLEP will be providing Safety Training (aka LogSafe or CPR/First-Aid & OSHA) under contract with the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (MNDOL or DOLI) for all loggers. All classes will soon be available for registration online at www.mlep.org.

MLEP will host two annual Logger Conferences in April. The **Bemidji Logger Conference** will be held at the Sanford Center on April 26 and 27 with Safety Training Tuesday and MLEP credit on Wednesday. Our **Grand Rapids Conference** will be at on April 28 and 29 with MLEP courses on Thursday and Safety (CPR/First Aid or OSHA) on Friday. The Grand Rapids Conference is scheduled to allow those who are interested to stick around and participate in ACLT's event held at the same venue on Friday evening. Both conferences will include vendor interaction opportunities.

Additional specialized 4-hour Safety/OSHA (LogSafe) courses are in the works. Look for these and other new/refreshed courses in field and shop settings.

Minnesota Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program Implementation Committee is accepting Logger of the Year Nominations

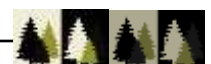
The Minnesota Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program Implementation Committee is accepting nominations through March 4, 2022, for the 2022 Logger of the Year Award. The winning logger will receive a \$500 cash award and "2022 Logger of the Year" plaque. In addition, the winner will be nominated for the Forest Resources Association's Regional Outstanding Logger of the Year award.

Deadline for Nominations: March 4, 2022. Visit <https://bit.ly/LOTY2022> to nominate

Tailgate Meeting Topic Ideas – Heard in the Field

No one likes surprises. Consider the following at an upcoming "Tailgate Meeting" with your crew. Let us know if you need resources to use when refreshing on these topics:

- Hard Hats – When and where are we supposed to wear them?
- When was the last time we refreshed the contents of our First Aid Kits?
- How many First Aid Kits do we need? Where do we keep them?
- Have we checked our Spill Kits? Are we all trained on when, where, and why to use them?
- Who can stop work when there is a safety concern?
- If we had to direct Emergency Medical Services to our jobsite, could we?
- When there may be a misunderstanding or disagreement between a logger on the ground, the Qualified Logging Professional, the business owner, or the same administrator how will we resolve the conflict?
- How often should we review the Field Management Guidelines (FMG) as an Owner/QLP? How often should our crew members be trained on Best Management Practices (BMPs)?





Log drives on the Big Fork River, Koochiching County, 1912 – Courtesy of Minnesota Historical Society

Throwback Thursdays Popular on Facebook

With many years of social media results to review, by far the most popular posts are from our *Throw Back Thursday* series. If you do not catch the latest news from MLEP from Facebook please take a moment find us at:
mnloggereducationprogram

Have some vintage photos from your early logging days, or from friends or family who may have logged in times like depicted to the left Send the photo as an email to info@mlep.org Be sure to include any historical information about the who/what/when/where/why of the photograph.

Upcoming Events

March

22 – Rochester (OSHA Only)

April

5 – Virginia/Tower (CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
12 – Cloquet (OSHA)
13 – Cloquet (CPR/First Aid)
19 – Brainerd (CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
26 – Bemidji (CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
27 – Bemidji (MLEP Conference)
28 – Grand Rapids (MLEP Conference)
29 – Grand Rapids (CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
29 – Grand Rapids A.C.L.T. Annual Banquet

May

3 – Baudette (CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
4 – I Falls ((CPR/First Aid & OSHA)
13 – Two Harbors (CPR/1st Aid & OSHA)
(NEW DATE FOR Two Harbors)

*Dates subject to change

*All events require advance registration at www.mlep.org

* Watch online and in the *eTREELINE* for added offerings

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