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Utah Update by John Hill

UPMRA Signs NFL Great

- *Chad Lewis as Convention Keynote Speaker!*

Chad Lewis is the 2021 UPMRA Keynote Speaker, who is speaking during lunch on **Thursday, September 16th** at the Park City Sheraton.

Chad began his football career at BYU. He was a walk-on, free agent Tight End who played in the NFL for 9 years with the Philadelphia Eagles and the St. Louis Rams. He helped get the Eagles into the Super Bowl with 2 TDs in the NFC Championship Game and was elected to the Pro Bowl 3 times!

Chad is now BYU's Associate Athletic Director, author of *Surround Yourself with Greatness*, and an inspirational speaker, who will help convention attendees understand the power of surrounding yourself with greatness through stories and examples of great leaders from his life.

DEQ/DERR Drafting *Aboveground Storage Tank Rules*

DEQ/DERR is currently drafting rules for the regulation of Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks. During the 2021 Utah Legislative session, SB40 was passed, which requires registering Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks with DEQ by July 2022, and having financial assurance for the tanks by July 2023. Several issues were not addressed in the 2021 legislation such as PST Loans, equipment standards/upgrades, and leak detection, which may need a legislative fix in 2022.

Therron Blatter with DEQ/DERR is speaking on Thursday, September 16th at the UPMRA 2021 Convention in Park City to discuss these issues.

Utah's Weights and Measures is Checking Dispenser Filters

The Utah Department of Agriculture's Weights and Measures Division plans to increase inspections on gasoline dispensers this year. They are checking that 10-micron filters are being installed on all gasoline dispensers instead of 30-micron filters, which are only allowed on Diesel fuel dispensers. The Division Director is standing his ground on Utah following Handbook 130, Section 4.3.1 that requires 10-micron filters on all gasoline dispensers. Last year, inspectors were only issuing Notices of Violation, but this year, follow-up inspections two weeks later will be scheduled to make sure the correct filters are in place.

On a positive note, the Division Director, who must follow-up on all consumer complaints dealing with Volume ("I didn't get the amount I paid for") and Dirty Gas ("My mechanic can't find anything else wrong with the car, so it must be bad gas"), has found no basis for these complaints. He praised Utah's fuel retailers for selling clean gas and giving the customers the correct amount of fuel.

September - *We Card Awareness Month*

The ***We Card*** program has participation tools available for retailers to download and promote participation in the We Card program during September Awareness Month. Go to www.wecard.org/awareness for logos, ads for your website, emails or print publications. Use what's most appropriate for you.