



# WEST TEXAS CHAPTER

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### News & Quick Links

#### 2019 WEST TEXAS AGC SCHOLARSHIP – Applications Available

*Due Date is March 31, 2019 | Scholarship Application Form is online at [wtagc.org](http://wtagc.org)*

**Academic Scholarships are now available** for graduating seniors, current college undergraduates or others who will pursue post graduate work at a technical trades school, with all pursuing degrees in a construction related field. We encourage our members to forward this information and to encourage students to consider programs that may be applicable to the student’s goals and pursuit of a construction career.

#### AGC-TBB Legislative Day – February 26<sup>th</sup>

All West Texas AGC Chapter Members are encouraged to participate and have the opportunity to speak with area legislators. The attached flyer provides a link for registration and more details.

A reception will be held February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 with Legislative Day at the Capital commencing at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will join us!

#### Shutdown ends but impact linger – Read the latest Data Digest from January 22-28 attached

Data DIGest is your source for the latest economic news relevant to the construction industry with commentary and analysis from AGC’s Chief Economist, Ken Simonson. It brings you actionable information to stay ahead of the curve on issues such as materials, prices, construction employment, and state-by-state construction trends. **Subscribe here.**

#### New-Collar Workers and How are They Contributing to the Labor Shortage?

A new-collar worker is a worker who develops technical and soft skills through different means than a typical four-year college degree and through non-traditional education paths. Read more about this opportunity and how and where to search for tomorrow’s workforce. **HERE**

### Safety Tips

#### Tool Box Talk – Confined Spaces

Today’s Safety Tips are in both English and Spanish providing information on what is a confined space, when permits are required, and educating workers on the signs of dangers in confined spaces.

If your company needs Safety ToolBox Talks or training guidelines on a specific topic, contact West Texas AGC at 325.676.7447 or email [abilene@wtagc.org](mailto:abilene@wtagc.org) as a safety resource for your company.

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## OSHA Promotes Fall Protection Resources

With falls leading OSHA's top 10 list of violations year after year, the agency is bolstering its efforts to increase awareness about its fall prevention resources. The agency has developed a collection of compliance assistance resources to address falls in the workplace.

One resource is the agency's [fall prevention training guide](#), which provides a lesson plan for employers including several toolbox talks. Fact sheets on [ladders](#) and [scaffolding](#) provide guidance on the safe use of these types of equipment while performing construction activities.

The sixth annual [National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction](#) will be held **May 6-10, 2019**. The week-long outreach event encourages employers and workers to pause during the workday to discuss fall hazards and how to prevent them. ***We encourage West Texas AGC members to SAVE THE DATE and plan on a safety event the week of May 6-10 2019.***

In addition, OSHA's [series of fall safety videos](#) show how to prevent construction-related fall hazards from floor openings, skylights, fixed scaffolds, bridge decking, reroofing and leading edge work. The V-Tools developed by OSHA provides nine additional safety videos to the fall safety videos for other construction related topics for safety training. The videos are in both English and Spanish and typically two to four minutes long. [Click to access V-tools.](#)

## OSHA's Final Rule to Protect Workers from Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica

February 27, 2019 | 1:00 – 2:00 CST • AGC FREE Webinar *sponsored by ClickSafety*

To Register and more information click: [webinar](#) that will cover:

- Respirable Crystalline Silica's Definition and Associated Health Hazards
- Principal Elements of 2 OSHA Standards to Protect Workers from Exposure to
- Respirable Crystalline Silica: one for Construction (29 CFR 1926.1153), and one for General Industry / Maritime (29 CFR 1910.1053)
- Types of Required Control Measures and Respiratory Protection for Respirable Crystalline Silica and more.

## 2019 Annual Printed West Texas AGC Chapter Directory for Members

E&M Consulting is wrapping up the publication of our West Texas AGC Membership Directory. In the next few weeks, they will be contacting any members who have not yet responded with advertising opportunities. If you have any interest in advertising this year, please contact a sales associate at E&M or sign up online at [www.emconsultinginc.com/adreservation/WTXAGC](http://www.emconsultinginc.com/adreservation/WTXAGC) or call **800.572.0011**.

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