

## ASAC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Monday, May 03, 2021**

Good morning! It is Monday, May 3 and I ask you this morning, "What's in your wallet?" Sorry, I could not resist. I am still riding on cloud nine with the news Friday afternoon that HB21 1167, Private Retainage 5% passed out of the Senate and is on to the Governor. Again, what's in your wallet? Your private retainage has just gone from 10% to 5%. Officially, the act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, September 10. Negotiating work, signing contracts? Remember Friday, September 10 Colorado Law is 5% retainage on Private Work and 5% retainage on Public Work. The most important piece to this success is you. We had well over 2,000 contacts from you to Colorado Representatives and Senators impressing them with your retainage story and business challenges. So, thank you and well done!

Health and Safety are on my mind and a standing item on my to do list. With COVID still a very large part of our daily lives, the vaccination debate, and the ongoing and ever present perils and safety issues as construction kicks into high gear with summer approaching. Being proactive is the culture at Absolute Caulking. We do not react to an injury or illness we respond because we have been proactive in culture, policies, procedures, training and awareness.

ASA Colorado offers one of the most valuable tools and resources to our members through a partnership with HealthLinks. Health Links™ is a program that champions health and safety at work. They offer evidence-based Healthy Workplace Certification™ and advising to help organizations and their team members achieve Total Worker Health®. ASA Members receive the Plus Plan for \$180 year per company or the Premium Plan for \$250 a year. Absolute is a certified healthy workplace because of ASAC's partnership with HealthLinks. It is offered virtually. You and your consultant evaluate your health and safety program, meet on a scheduled basis and benefit from the resources, webinars and information to achieve total worker health. Health Links is based in the Center for Health, Work and Environment at the Colorado School of Public Health, a program within Colorado University. I urge you to take advantage of this ASAC member benefit.

Colorado Safety Association is a partner of ASAC. Every class, consultation, resource, and webinar are available to you as a CSA Member. Online and in person training and education is available and yes, they will customize training to your company needs and provide the training at a location of your choosing.

I want to close with information about the ASAC premier networking event of the year, the ASAC Annual Construction Industry and Women of Construction Awards in the Park on June 19. We will be presenting the annual awards at Clement Park, Grants Amphitheater in Littleton. It will be a networking, cocktail hour, awards picnic extraordinaire with a Rocky Mountain Sunset as the backdrop.

I think I have once again hit on that three-legged stool: advocacy, education and networking. All of this is a part of ASAC 2021 Outdoors. More details are in this issue of the President's Message. Check it out, plan to participate and you are on your way to building and strengthening your bottom line.