

Weyauwega Area Fire District Trains at CHS Larsen Cooperative Feed Mill

On Monday, September 21, 2015 the Weyauwega Area Fire District held a training on grain bin safety for their volunteer fire fighters at CHS Larsen Cooperative, in Weyauwega. Harvest is just around the corner and farmers will be filling their grain bins again. Working in grain bins can be a dangerous activity. Thus, it is very important to be prepared for any unforeseen emergencies during harvest and have the proper training and equipment.

The Weyauwega Area Fire District was selected for a donation from CHS Corporate Citizenship. They received a check for \$5,610. With this donation from CHS the fire district was able to purchase Grain Rescue Equipment, including the Great Wall of Rescue, ropes, and harnesses.

During the training on Monday night the fire department practiced a few rescue scenarios. They partially buried a volunteer firefighter in a load of corn at the mill and then used the Great Wall of Rescue, which acts as a cofferdam, to properly rescue a victim out of loose grain.



“Having this equipment if needed and the knowledge of how to use it properly is a powerful tool for our volunteer team,” said Tom Cullen, Weyauwega Area Fire Chief, “We had a perfect opportunity to work with CHS Larsen Cooperative Feed Mill to be able to actually use this equipment in grain and get the real experience of what to expect.”

They also were able to tour the mill during this training, this helps the firefighters to be more familiar with the CHS Larsen Cooperative Feed Mill. CHS Larsen Cooperative is very grateful to have such a great fire department to work with in case of any future emergencies.

Bob Krentz, CHS Larsen Cooperative Feed Manager awards Tom Cullen, Weyauwega Area Fire Chief with CHS donation.



