



**SUMMIT COUNTY
SAFETY COUNCIL**

Safety & Health News

Fire prevention Week

Working smoke alarms cut the chances of dying in a house fire in half – but only if they're fully operational.

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, smoke alarms have a life of 10 years. While most people are conditioned to change the batteries in their smoke alarms twice a year, NFPA survey data indicates few people know how old their alarm is or how often it needs to be replaced.

The theme for this year's Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15, is "Don't Wait – Check the Date." To find out how old a smoke alarm is, look at the date of manufacture on the back of the alarm. If it's been 10 years, it's time to invest in a new one.

A home fire is reported every 86 seconds. Despite this threat, families rarely practice home fire drills, and nearly half of parents report their children do not know what to do in the event of a fire.

The National Safety Council and Nationwide will launch a new safety observance, Home Fire Drill Day, on Oct. 15, 2016. Families across the U.S. are encouraged to practice home fire drills and take advantage of tools and resources offered at HomeFireDrillDay.com, including:

- Step-by-step instructions for doing a home fire drill
- Games to make the experience memorable for kids
- Worksheet to help you draw a floor plan of your home
- Video of a fire drill in action
- Family pledge to practice a home fire drill twice a year
- Downloadable fire safety resources to share with friends and family
- Link to download the free Make Safe Happen mobile app that puts home fire drill instructions, including a drill timer, in the palm of your hand

Upcoming Regular Monthly Meetings



October 19, 2016
Regular Meeting—
Tangier's
Lt. Roy Wilkinson
Akron Fire Hazardous
Materials Bureau



November 16, 2016
Regular Meeting—
Tangier's
**Emotional Intelligence in
Safety**
Kyle Weygandt, LSP



**Upcoming SCSC
Sponsored Seminars**



**NFPA 70E Electrical
Safety in the Workplace
and Arc Flash Training**

November 9, 2016

8 hour class at Tangier's
instructed by Jerry
Bennett of
Hilscher-Clarke Electric
\$20



**Overview of NFPA
Codes and Standards for
Hazardous Materials**

November 15, 2016

4 Hour class at Tangier's
instructed by the NFPA
8:00 AM to Noon
\$20



**Refresher and Updates to
OSHA's Recordkeeping
and Reporting Rule**

December 13, 2016

3 Hour class at Tangier's
8:30 to 11:30 AM
\$10

**Contact Sally
For reservations**

October's Featured Program...

Akron Fire Department Hazmat Bureau: What We Offer Our Customers

Lt. Roy Wilkinson
Assistant Bureau Mgr. ~ Akron Fire Hazardous Materials Bureau

This presentation will cover the day-to-day operations of the Akron Fire Department's Special Operations Teams. The Special Operations include:

- Technical Rescue Operations Team ("TROT")
- Field Force Extrication ("FFE")
- Tunnel Rescue for the Ohio Canal Interceptor Tunnel ("OCIT") project
- Water Rescue
- Swift Water Rescue
- Hazardous Materials Team
- Decontamination Team

Time permitting, Lt. Wilkinson will also cover the basics of fire safety which will include fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, home fire safety.

Lt. Roy Wilkinson oversees the daily activities of the Hazmat Bureau for Akron Fire Department which include TROT, DIVE and Hazmat. He has served the Akron fire Dept. for 24 years as Hazmat Technician, Hazmat Team Leader as well as Zone coordinator for Summit County Hazmat.

October's Featured Sponsor...



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Cari's Safety Corner

Q: I am developing a Lock Out Tag Out program and was wondering if repairing vehicles should follow the OSHA guidelines for LOTO? The bulk of our business is repairing semi-trucks and I cannot find anything in the regulations. I think it makes sense to have the ignition keys somewhere other than the ignition. Your thoughts!

A: Yes, the LOTO standard also covers vehicles.

The Directive Number is CPL 02-00- 147 under OSHA and can be found at the OSHA website (www.osha.gov). In the Directive, it's under Chapter 3 Inspection Guidance, III. Vehicle Hazardous Energy Control, Page 3-22 and goes like this:

A. The scope and application sections of the preamble to the hazardous energy control standard provide that the LOTO standard applies to all "general industry workplaces." The standard's coverage includes vehicles, such as, but not limited to, automobiles, trucks, tractors, refrigeration transport vehicles, and material handling equipment.

Under C. there is a note:

It should be noted that turning off the engine with and removing the car key is not, strictly speaking, the same as applying a lockout or tagout device to an energy isolating device because neither the ignition switch, nor the key, are energy isolating devices. Based upon the above preamble discussion, OSHA allows such alternative vehicle control measures in these limited circumstances only when the key removal fully ensures employee protection.

New Fact Sheet on Combustible Dust

This new OSHA publication describes how to protect workers from explosions caused by combustible dust. It includes information on how to control dust, how to keep workers safe and workers' rights.

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3878.pdf>

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John Swistok of Falls Stamping & Welding was the winner of \$85.00 in the September 50/50 raffle!

Thank you for supporting SCSC!

Mission Statement

To promote well being and injury prevention by offering informational and educational opportunities to both the private and public sectors within the community.

Co-sponsored by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC)

Share the Road

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Association has created 13 graphics to remind drivers how to share the road safely with large trucks. Graphics include information on blind spots and stopping distances.

https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/sites/fmcsa.dot.gov/files/docs/lang/USDOT_OROR_Inforgraphic_1170x612-Truck_V17ai.pdf

Automobile Fatalities Up 9 Percent

The National Safety Council (NSC) collects statistics on roadway fatalities. It reports in this press release that 2016 is on track to be the most dangerous year since 2008. NSC estimated accidents would potentially kill 438 people during the Labor Day holiday weekend. This is the continuation of a two-year trend of significantly higher fatality numbers on the nation's roadways.

Upcoming BWC Class Schedule (North Canton)

339 E. Maple St., Suite 200

North Canton, OH 44720

Register at bwclearningcenter.com

Behavior-based Safety Systems Half-day Workshop Oct 20

Effective Safety Teams - November 2

Safety for the Non-safety Professional – November 9

FY17 BWC Safety Council Rebate Program Requirements

For those members who are eligible to participate in BWC's Safety Council Rebate Program this year, the following requirements must be met between **7/1/16 and 6/30/17**:

- **Enrollment with safety council by 7/31/16.**
- **Attendance at 10 Safety council meetings/events.** At least 8 thru the local safety council. You can get credit for up to two meetings at BWC's safety training courses or other offsite industry-specific training courses./seminars. Certificate must be submitted to safety council.
- **CEO attendance at one safety council sponsored meeting.**
- **Submit semi-annual reports for the 2016 calendar year.**