

Stark County Safety Council Newsletter

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STARK COUNTY

SAFETY COUNCIL

A committee of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce

YOUR PHOTOS WANTED! – A FEW MORE WEEKS TO ENTER THE PHOTO CONTEST

BY JACQUELINE BOLLAS CALDWELL, ESQ.

Our photo contest challenges everyone with a passion for photography to capture an image of workplace safety and health and participate in the photo contest.



All photos should depict your image of workplace safety and health. However, among other things, the contest rules preclude photographs depicting violation of an OSHA standard, unsafe procedures and practices, and endorsement of particular products or services. The judging criteria is as follows: quality of photograph; suitability for possible use in OSHA publications; clarity of the safety and health message conveyed; originality; creativity; inclusion of worker, employer, or workplace imagery.

We look forward to seeing your safety photos. Be safe!

Should have questions about this article, please contact Jacqueline Bollas Caldwell at: 330-244-2864 or jcaldwell@kwgd.com.

NOTE: This general summary of the law should not be used to solve individual problems since slight changes in the fact situation may require a material variance in the applicable legal advice.

Today's Program October 11, 2012

Topic: "What to Expect When You're Inspected"

*Speaker: Jamie Snyder, Fire Safety Inspector,
 Ohio Dept. of Commerce State Fire Marshal*

Spotlight
 Company:



Where Safety Meets Style!

Proudly headquartered in Northeastern Ohio, Gateway Safety designs and manufactures award-winning, cost-effective industrial safety equipment that workers actually want to wear. Product lines include eye, face, head, hearing, and respiratory protection.

Like Gateway, US SafetyGear is also a Northeastern Ohio company. They have been a proud distribution partner of Gateway Safety's for more than twenty years. Stark County companies can purchase any of Gateway Safety's popular products thru US SafetyGear.

To learn more about either company, visit them online:

Gateway Safety
www.GatewaySafety.com
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Safety Council Mission Statement: To provide a forum for safety and health information, education and networking in Stark County, through leadership, innovation, facilitation, program, and support, in partnership with other public and private organizations.

October is

Fire Prevention Month

Have you Thanked a Fireman Today!

Fire Safety Tips

Some jobs carry an increased risk of fire, but understanding fire safety is important for any occupation. Keep these tips in mind:

- Have a fire plan in place for your worksite, and make sure your employees understand it fully. Having a fire drill every now and then is a good way for employees to keep escape routes, meeting spots, and procedures in mind.
- Avoid the use of so-called "power strips" whenever possible. They are often prone to overuse and can start a fire if too many appliances are plugged into them.
- Keep cleaning chemicals and other work chemicals in a well-ventilated room. Many chemicals emit vapors that are highly flammable and which can be set off with something as small as a spark from a faulty wire.
- Know where all the fire extinguishers are throughout your worksite and know how to use them.
- Remember that grease fires cannot be fought by dousing them with water. Oil is hydrophobic and also is the fuel source in grease fires. Water will simply splash the oil around and spread the fire even further.

Info from: www.safety.lovetoknow.com

Upcoming November 8, 2012

Speaker: Anthony Serloco, DMC
Disability Management Coordinator
State of Ohio BWC Youngstown Service Office

Topic: "Come Back to Work....We Still Need You"
Misconceptions about Transitional Work Programs

Spotlight Company:



Annual Hat & Mitten Drive

Bring donations to the October & November SCSC luncheons

Mark Your Calendars

October 24—TRENCHING & EXCAVATING—Competent Person Training, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fee. Register www.StarkCountySafetyCouncil.org.

October 31—Deadline to apply for the 2012 SCSC Business Grant (\$2000) Apply at www.StarkCountySafetyCouncil.org

October 31—Deadline to submit photos to the 2nd Annual SCSC Photo Contest. Submit online at www.StarkCountySafetyCouncil.org.

ROBIN'S CORNER

Q. Is it an OSHA regulation to have good housekeeping at my worksite?

A. Yes, there are standards in OSHA that require a clean work environment, including the below:

- General Industry
 - 29 CFR 1910 Subpart D – Walking and Working Surfaces – "All places of employment, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly and in a sanitary condition."
 - 29 CFR 1910.22 General Requirements – discusses general housekeeping requirements, the storage of waste and debris, protection around the storage areas.
 - 29 CFR 1910.141 – General Environmental Controls – OSHA's guidelines for sanitation – primarily in toilet facilities and other wet areas.
- Construction Industry
 - 29 CFR 1926 Subpart C – General Safety and Health Provisions
 - 29 CFR 1926.25 – Housekeeping – discusses the control of hazards related to housekeeping in construction, the means to store debris and waste, what types of containers that need to be used, and the process of frequent and regular waste removal & disposal.

1. **Semi-Annual Reports** are required to maintain your membership with the SCSC. Reports are due July 15th and January 15th each year.
2. **Don't forget to sign-in.** If you do not sign the "sign-in sheet" your company will not receive credit for attending. This could hurt your company's chances of receiving the BWC's discount.
3. **NOTE: July 1, 2012 begins a new 12 month period** for the BWC's rebate program. If your company is eligible, you must attend a minimum of 10 events, with your company's CEO or a senior level manager attending one of these 10, and submit two semi-annual reports. See BWC website for complete rebate details.