

Stark County Safety Council Newsletter

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Ohio Safety Congress & Expo



Saving lives ... Saving money
Focus on Safety in Today's Economy

March 31 to April 2 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center

Join 5,000 safety-minded individuals at Ohio's largest and most established occupational safety and health event. Your competition will be there, and here's why you should, too. Reduce training costs for you and your employees at 150 educational sessions.

Earn free CEUs for accreditation and BWC discount programs.
Streamline your product purchases at the Expo Marketplace.
Solve problems with peers at roundtable discussions.
Discover solutions to real-life safety scenarios.
Save on registration fees and out-of-state travel expenses.
Fewer injuries mean lower workers' compensation costs.
Save the date. Save the money. It's worth your time.

What is Ohio Safety Congress?

- ☑ Established in 1927
- ☑ Helps businesses keep workers safe and healthy
- ☑ Three-day event
- ☑ More than 5,000 participants
- ☑ 150 educational sessions
- ☑ 200 exhibits of safety and health products
- ☑ Live demonstrations

Why attend?

- ☑ Prevent workplace injuries and illnesses
- ☑ Reduce workers' compensation claims costs
- ☑ Meet training needs
- ☑ Flexible scheduling — choose only the courses you need
- ☑ Shop for products in a single location
- ☑ Avoid out-of-state travel fees
- ☑ Free registration

Who attends?

- ☑ Safety managers/directors
- ☑ Occupational health nurses
- ☑ Facility managers
- ☑ Safety committee members
- ☑ Small business owners
- ☑ Industrial hygienists
- ☑ Safety consultants
- ☑ Loss control/risk managers
- ☑ Ergonomists
- ☑ Personnel managers

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SAFETY COUNCIL
A committee of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce

March 12, 2009

Speaker: Tod T. Morrow,
Partner, Buckingham, Doolittle
& Burroughs LLP

Topic: Civil and Criminal
Liability for OSHA Violations

Spotlight Company:



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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.

A Message From The SCSC Chair

by Susan Walters

Dear SCSC Members:

Finally! The air is warming, the snow is melting and the days are getting longer. This means our thoughts turn to spring cleaning, yard work, home repairs and long walks. While these are extremely beneficial projects, they also involve several safety hazards that can be avoided with proper precautions.

Before beginning that spring project, take some time to review safety techniques to make sure your spring spruce-up is disaster free. Think about the proper use of the mower, trimmer and power saw before beginning yard work. Review ladder safety by reading the manufacturer's instructions that come with your ladder. Take time to inspect your ladder to make sure there are no loose or broken rungs and make sure that your ladder is the proper height for the job. Many home accidents happen when people overextend their reach because the ladder is too short.

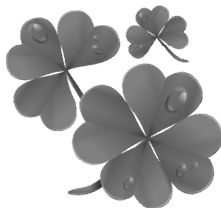
Be aware of the proper handling of cleaning supplies, paints and pool chemicals. Dispose of any that are leaking, expired or that look bad. Clean up work areas taking time to put away dangerous chemicals, tools or other work items from children's reach. Check your grill for leaks and cracks and store propane tanks away from your house or garage.

Finally, don't overdo. Those inactive winter muscles can take only so much! Build up slowly so you don't have a strain injury that can put you out of commission for some time.

Enjoy the coming beautiful springs days...and stay safe!

Susan

Susan Walters
2009 Stark County Safety
Council Chair



Upcoming Events:

March 24: SCSC CEO Breakfast 7:30 a.m. at Myers Lake Ballroom—Featuring national transportation security expert, William H. Arrington. RSVP by 3/18.

March 31-April 2: The Ohio Safety Congress & Expo in Columbus. Go get a program: e-mail your name & address to safetycongress@bwc.state.oh.us or call 1-800-OHIOBWC. Registration at www.ohiobwc.com.

April 7th: Food Protection and Crisis Management Seminar at Myers Lake Ballroom from 8-10 a.m. Training provided by the Stark County Health Department.

April 25: Safe Kids Day at Edison Junior High School 11a.m. to 3:00 p.m. SCSC is sponsoring the Ident-a-Kid Program.

May 13th: SCSC Awards Banquet at the Kent State University Conference Center. Cash bar opens at 5:30 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m. Speaker: Rick McQueen, President and Chief Executive Officer, Akron-Canton Airport.

UPCOMING PROGRAM

April 9, 2009

**Speaker: Sharon Roney, Librarian
Bureau of Workers Compensation
Library**

*Topic: How to Find Health & Safety
Information Online*

*Spotlight Company is currently open.
Contact Connie at the Safety Council for info on how
your company can be in the "Spotlight".*

Important items to make note of:

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. These are sent to the BWC.
3. **July 1, 2008 began a new 12 month period** for your attendance requirement with the State to be eligible for your rebate check. 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 to qualify for your rebate. See BWC website for complete rebate details.
4. **Please complete a Program Rating Form** following each luncheon meeting. Your input is important.