



## Canton Akron Safety Council

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In cooperation with the North Canton Area Chamber of Commerce

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## November's Featured Program...

Arthur Ritchie, Director of Operations,  
Burkins, Ritchie & Associates, LLC

Topic: Drugs in the Workplace & Ohio's  
New Medical Marijuana Law  
(HB 523)

Date: November 15 - (3rd Wed.)

Time: 7:30 AM

Site: MAPS Air Museum



### Join us as we explore these key points:

- Recent drug trends in Ohio and across the U.S.
- A brief overview of HB 523— separating facts from fiction
- Proactive suggestions for Ohio employers to prepare for the implementation of HB 523.

Arthur Ritchie earned his Bachelor of Arts from Mount Union College in 1991 and earned his certification in Advanced Addiction Services with Honors from the University of Akron in 2008. Arthur is the owner and Director of Operations of Burkins, Ritchie & Associates LLC, a Stark County business that specializes in assisting businesses and organizations with developing and implementing effective Drug-Free Safety Programs, as well as coordinating Employee Assistance Program (EAP) services, and American Red Cross safety training sessions for those businesses.

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### ATTENTION MEMBERS!

**CAK Safety Council has a new website!**  
**Check out news, safety recalls & resources**

[www.caksafety.com](http://www.caksafety.com)

### Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- December 20\*
- January 24
- February 28
- March 28
- April 25
- May 23

\*3rd Wednesday due to  
holidays

## DEB'S SAFETY CORNER



Q: Do I need to inspect the walking -working surfaces in my facility?

Answer: Yes, according to OSHA's revised walking-working surfaces rule. OSHA's definition of a walking-working surface is any horizontal or vertical surface on or through which an employee walks, works, or gains access to a work area or workplace location. The employer must inspect the surfaces, regularly and as necessary, to ensure they are maintained in a safe condition. If a hazardous condition is recognized, the condition is to be corrected or repaired before an employee uses the surface again. If the correction or repair cannot be made immediately, the hazard must be guarded to prevent employees from using the surface. Hazardous conditions may include sharp or protruding objects, loose boards, corrosion, leaks, spills, snow, and ice. For more information on the revised rule, see Subpart D of 29 CFR 1910.

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CAK Safety Council, The North Canton Chamber and Aultcare present a **Quarterly Conversation Luncheon** featuring Sarah Morrison, Administrator/CEO of Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation.

**DATE:** Tuesday, December 12, 11:45 am to 1:15 pm

**PLACE:** Embassy Suites 7883 Freedom Ave NW, North Canton

**COST:** \$15.00 for CAK Safety Council Members (Council will cover \$20.00 of the cost for each member who attends). **This luncheon counts as a CEO/Member meeting credit.**

**MORE INFO?** Check our website at: [www.caksafety.com](http://www.caksafety.com)

**Please RSVP by Thursday, Dec. 7th to:**  
[caksafety@northcantonchamber.org](mailto:caksafety@northcantonchamber.org)  
Specify if Vegetarian option is desired

## From last month....

At the October meeting, Mike Testa of Pursuing What Matters discussed employee engagement & energizing the workforce by de-escalating stress & focusing on both available time & energy to create a safe environment.



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### Kidde Recalls Fire Extinguishers with Plastic Handles Due to Failure to Discharge and Nozzle Detachment: One Death Reported



**Hazard:** The fire extinguishers can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

**Remedy:** Replace

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**OR**  
**[www.county-fire.com/contact-us](http://www.county-fire.com/contact-us)**

**Recall date:** November 2, 2017  
**Recall number:** 18-022

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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