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Upcoming Meeting Dates:

January 24

*Topic: Business
Justification and
Accounting for Safety*

February 28

March 28

April 25

May 29

June 27

December's Featured Program...

Active Shooter

Speaker: Captain Douglas Smith
Summit County Sheriff's Office
Topic: Active Shooter:
What Can We Do?
Date: December 20
Time: 7:30 AM



Capt. Douglas Smith is a 23-year veteran of the Summit County Sheriff's Office and is assigned to the Operations Division-Community Policing. Capt. Smith received a B.A. from Malone University, a M.S. from Tiffin University, and a graduate certificate in Criminal Justice Education from the University of Virginia. Capt. Smith is a graduate of the FBI National Academy. Capt. Smith serves as Adjunct Faculty at Stark State College. Capt. Smith has served as a SWAT team member and later as the SWAT team Commander. Capt. Smith was a member of the Ohio Incident Management team that deployed to Superstorm Sandy.

He is currently serving as the Incident Commander for the Summit County Sheriff's Office. Capt. Smith is a former school resource officer and is the contact person for school safety issues at the Sheriff's Office. Capt. Smith is a CRASE certified instructor for active shooter events and provides presentations both to the public and private sectors. Capt. Smith is a United States Navy veteran serving aboard the USS Batfish, a Sturgeon Class Fast Attack Submarine. Capt. Smith is an avid college football fan and a diehard Buckeye. He can be contacted at dsmith@sheriff.summitoh.net.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT REMINDER

The 2nd Half Semi-Annual report form, which covers the period of July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, will be available on our website January 1st. It can be located at: <http://caksafety.com/semi-annual-report-form/> Reports are **due January 15th** and should be emailed to: caksafety@northcantonchamber.org.

DEB'S SAFETY CORNER



Question: The cold season is around the corner—should we be concerned with carbon monoxide?

Answer: Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless, toxic gas which interferes with the oxygen-carrying capacity of blood. CO is non-irritating and can overcome persons without warning. Many people die from CO poisoning, usually while using gasoline powered tools and generators in buildings or semi-enclosed spaces without adequate ventilation.

Effects of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

- Severe carbon monoxide poisoning causes neurological damage, illness, coma and death.

Symptoms of CO exposure

- Headaches, dizziness and drowsiness.
- Nausea, vomiting, tightness across the chest.

Some Sources of Exposure

- Portable generators/generators in buildings.
- Concrete cutting saws, compressors.
- Power trowels, floor buffers, space heaters.
- Welding, gasoline powered pumps.

Preventing CO Exposure

- Never use a generator indoors or in enclosed or partially enclosed spaces such as garages, crawl spaces, and basements. Opening windows and doors in an enclosed space may prevent CO buildup.
- Make sure the generator has 3-4 feet of clear space on all sides and above it to ensure adequate ventilation.
- Do not use a generator outdoors if placed near doors, windows or vents which could allow CO to enter and build up in occupied spaces.
- When using space heaters and stoves ensure that they are in good working order to reduce CO buildup, and never use in enclosed spaces or indoors.
- Consider using tools powered by electricity or compressed air, if available.
- If you experience symptoms of CO poisoning get to fresh air right away and seek immediate medical attention.

U.S. Department of Labor

www.osha.gov (800) 321-OSHA

From last month....

At the November meeting, Arthur Ritchie of Burkins, Ritchie & Assoc. discussed drugs in the workplace and also Ohio's new medical marijuana law HB 523.



Free BWC Class

North Canton office:

Effective Safety Teams - December 16
8:00 am— 4:30 pm

Register at www.bwclearningcenter.com

BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR



In partnership with Home Instead Senior Care, we will be collecting donations of blankets, lap quilts and throws for senior citizens in need.

If you would like to donate, please bring one of the items listed above to either the 12/12 Quarterly Conversation Luncheon or to our monthly CAK Safety Council meeting on 12/20. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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