



Canton Akron Safety Council

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Upcoming Meeting Dates:

April 24

**CEO Event:
Chemical Safety &
Awards Presentation**

May 22

Confined Space

June 26

Cargo Securement

April's Featured Program...

CEO EVENT

Speaker: John Itterly, Regional Manager, Zee Company, Vincit Group

Topic: Chemical Safety for Employees in a Food Processing Environment

PLUS:

ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION

**Michelle Francisco,
Safety Council Program Manager,
BWC Division of Safety & Hygiene**

Date: April 24, 2019

Time: 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Location: MAPS Air Museum



John Itterly is a Regional Sales Manager for Zee Company Food and Beverage Division, which is one of eight member companies that make up the Vincit Group, located in Chattanooga, Tennessee. John's single most important duty is to ensure that their customer's employees are trained in the proper handling of the hazardous materials used for sanitation and related cleaning tasks.

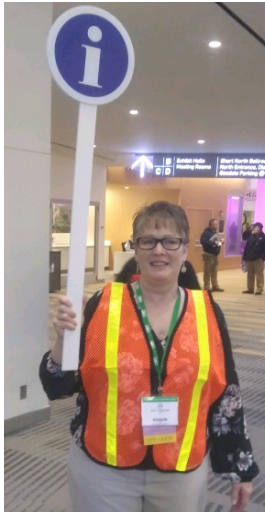
Before joining Zee Company, John owned his own business for approximately nine years and had one of his major customers hire his daughter right out of college as a microbiologist. John is adamant that employee safety is everyone's responsibility and feels that Zee Company has a fiduciary responsibility when it comes to employee safety for the customers with

whom they partner as their chemical service provider.

John worked for ConAgra Foods as Vice President and General Manager of Ravan Products in Gainesville, Georgia. He has a total of 39 years of experience in Employee Safety, Food Plant Sanitation and Food Safety.

John currently resides in Alto, Georgia with his wife of 37 years. Donna and John are the proud grandparents of identical twin granddaughters. Both are avid animal lovers. They keep a camper in the mountains of northern Georgia, where they spend most of their weekends from April to November, and then become minor league Atlanta Gladiators hockey fans each winter.

DEB'S SAFETY CORNER



Q: What is required for ladder inspections and why are they important?

A: With the change in weather comes construction season and outdoor work. This also means an increased use of ladders in the workplace and at home. According to ANSI “There are more than 300 ladder-related deaths and 130,000 emergency room visits related to ladders each year.” OSHA has identified ladder inspections as an important part of your job and highlighted this requirement in the following standards:

1910.23(b)(9) Ladders are inspected before initial use in each work shift, and more frequently as necessary, to identify any visible defects that could cause employee injury;

and

1926.1053(b)(15) Ladders shall be inspected by a competent person for visible defects on a periodic basis and after any occurrence that could affect their safe use.

Here are a few quick items to check before using a ladder:

- Visually inspect ladder feet to ensure that foot pads and feet assembly are present and in safe condition
- Inspect the rungs, rails, lock, rope, and pulley assembly of an extension ladder and be sure that all parts work properly
- Inspect the top cap, all steps, side rails, and locking braces on a step ladder before using
- Loose locking braces or spreaders can cause the ladder to wobble and become unstable
- Ladder inspections should include making sure that labels are readable and have not been painted over or damaged
- Check the rungs and steps for mud, grease or dirt to avoid potential slip/fall hazards
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for proper inspection and use of the specific ladder



Additional Resources:

[https://
blog.weeklysafety.com/
blog/ladder-inspections](https://blog.weeklysafety.com/blog/ladder-inspections)

[https://
blog.ansi.org/2018/03/
ladder-safety-priority-
statistics-ansi/](https://blog.ansi.org/2018/03/ladder-safety-priority-statistics-ansi/)

REMINDER: To qualify for the BWC Safety Council rebate, your CEO must attend at least one safety council sponsored function or meeting. CEO attendance counts as credit toward one of the 10 required meetings. If you are not sure that your CEO has attended between July 1, 2018 & the present, please check the Meeting Attendance Sheet at www.caksafety.com under Resources or email: caksafety@northcantonchamber.org



**Safety Pays
Falls Cost**

SAFETY COUNCIL CHALLENGE

“STAND DOWN TO PREVENT FALLS”

For the third year in a row, the BWC Canton and Cambridge safety staff are hosting a Safety Council Challenge in honor of OSHA’s “National Stand-Down to Prevent Falls” Campaign the week of May 6-10, 2019. The OSHA campaign is for one week, but we have expanded our challenge to the entire month of May.

Did you remember that our council, Canton Akron (CAK) Safety Council, **WON** last year’s Stand Down Challenge? 25.3 % of our companies participated in the challenge! Let’s try and reach 30% participation or higher this year!

How Does the Safety Council Challenge Work?

Member employers conduct a “Stand-down” event in May and return the completed form to caksafety@northcantonchamber.org by May 31.

The Safety Council will tally up the total number of employers who participated and the total number of employees included in the trainings. The results must reach the BWC rep by June 3.

The council with the **highest member participation percentage** will be presented with an award at a regular meeting.

The idea of the challenge is to have a fun and friendly competition that will raise awareness for employers and their employees of the hazards not only in their workplaces, but in their homes.

Find forms and resources at: <http://caksafety.com/blog/>

BWC’s Division of Safety & Hygiene

2019-2020 Safety Services Catalog

The 2019-2020 Safety Services catalog is now available. This catalog offers information on Employer & Employee Services, Grants/Research, Consulting Services, Education & Training and Library Services. CAK Safety Council has a few printed copies to distribute at the April meeting, but you can also obtain one in the following ways:

1-800-644-6292

Twitter@OhioBWC

<https://www.bwc.ohio.gov/downloads/blankpdf/SafetyServicesCatalog.pdf>

From Last Month...



The March meeting featured Phillip Brickman, Special Agent in Charge of the Ohio BWC's NE Regional Investigations Unit, who presented an overview of the Special Investigations Department



Steering Committee Seeking Nominations!

If you are interested in serving on the CAK Safety Council Steering Committee for the July 2019/June 2020 term, please submit your name to:

caksafety@northcantonchamber.org

Steering committee meets quarterly over lunch at Menches Restaurant

Questions?

Contact Deb Bailey at:
330-414-9799

CONGRATULATIONS

to Nathan Gilley of WARDJet, last month's winner of the Bell Store \$25 gift card!



50/50 Raffle Winner

Susan Hendricks,
Pleasant Point
Assisted Living



Stop the Bleed continues to empower the general public to make a difference in a life-threatening emergency by teaching the basic techniques of bleeding control. Sign up for this **FREE** one hour class on **Wednesday, May 8** sponsored by CAKSC and taught by trainers from the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

SAVE A LIFE

Classes offered: 9:15-10:15, 10:30-11:30, 1:30-2:30 and 3:30-4:30 at the Green Branch Library, Uniontown.

Pre-registration is required at: caksafety@northcantonchamber.org

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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