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Workplace and Home Safety

NEWSLETTER

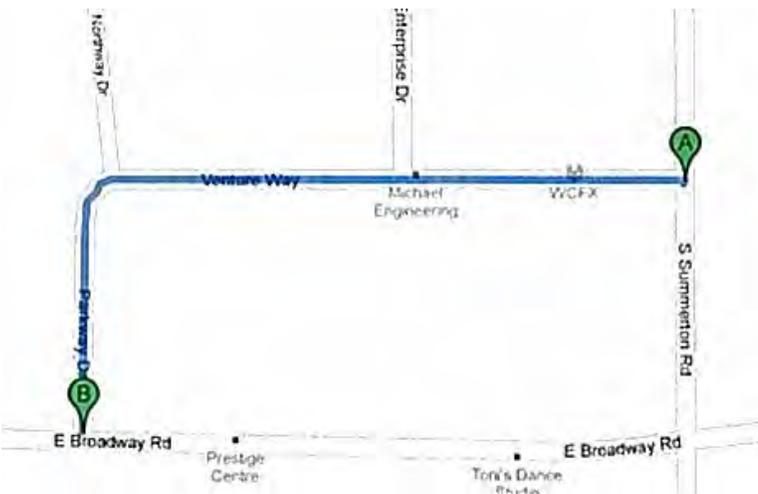
Adopt A Road

A **BIG** thank you to all that volunteered to help with the very first BGL road clean up on July 9th 2010!! We appreciate each and every one of you greatly. For adopting the road, we are required to host two clean-ups a year from corner to corner. We look forward to having everyone help out in our second clean up of the year. Date and time will be announced once it approaches. Any and all volunteers are welcome!!



Pictured are: Back-Marty Wrona, Greg Alexander, and Jeff Lueth. Front-Shirley Koons, Haley Gillespie, Monica Blake and Adam Wixson.

Not picutered is Connie DePue.



Rattlesnake Safety

Many BGL workers have encountered a snake once or twice while working out on the job. Some snakes have turned out to be harmless, while others encountered the venomous rattlesnake. This is to inform you more on rattlesnakes and what to expect when entering their territory.

A bite from a rattlesnake can cause serious injury and even death, although in a rare occasion. Rattlesnakes strike when they are threatened or provoked, however, many will retreat if given the proper space. Most all rattlesnake bites occur when it is being handled or accidentally touched by someone walking or climbing.

Rattlesnakes live from sea level to the inland prairies and desert areas, to the mountains at elevations of more than 10,000 feet. There are 9 different known types of rattlesnakes on the west coast. Here are a several easy precautions that can be taken to lessen your chances of being bit.

When heading outdoors, wear over-the-ankle boots and loose-fitting long pants. Do not step or put your hands where you cannot see, and avoid wandering around in the dark. Step ON logs and rocks, never over them, and be especially careful when climbing rocks. Always avoid walking through dense brush or willow thickets. Be especially careful when stepping over doorsteps as well. Snakes like to crawl along the edge of buildings where they are protected on one side.

Although the chances are very unlikely, if you do happen to get bit by a rattlesnake your first and foremost action should be to stay calm. Generally, the most serious effect of a rattlesnake bite is local tissue damage which needs to be treated. Secondly, get to a doctor as soon as possible. Frantic, high-speed driving places the victim at greater risk of an accident and increased heart rate. If the doctor is more than 30 minutes away, keep the area that was bit elevated.



The only good snake is one that is alive and well. Snakes, even rattlesnakes, provide humans with a tremendous service--they eat rodents, other reptiles, and insects, and are in turn eaten by other predators.

Bone Head Corner



QUIZ:

Do you put Antifreeze or Gas in a gas generators fuel tank?!

Someone **FAILED** this quiz!!

Let's make sure we are paying attention to labeled containers and their contents!

Birthdays

Safety Notice

August

25th - Josh Lockerby
28th - Josiah Grandy

September

4th - Tim Bechtel
12th - Kevin VanBuskirk
18th - Brent Albachten
19th - Andy Mogg
20th - Connie DePue
23rd - Andy Gillespie
23rd - Jeremy Richardson
29th - Brad Baybeck

October

29th - Jerry Gillespie



The MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet) book is located in the kitchen at the Venture Way office, and on Haley's desk at the Isabella Road office. These can be accessed at any time needed.



Be aware that the fall weather is approaching! Colder mornings and evenings are soon to follow so dress appropriately for the weather. Also please be a more cautious driver as we experience many rainy, chilly days that can cause roads and highways to be more slippery than usual.

Baby Announcements



John & Deanna VanPatten
Bridgett VanPatten

Josh Lockerby & Alycia
Vance Lockerby

Tim & Christie Culver
Grayson Culver

On the 8th of September we hosted an on-site safety inspection. It was very interesting and informational to see first hand the different tasks that BGL performs. I was very happy to see that all the safety policies were being followed. Great Job!! On-site audits will occur approximately once a month. Please think safe. Thank You, Shirley Koons



Happy Halloween!



Halloween is a fun time for kids, but it is also an important time to be extra alert for possible safety hazards. Here are some tips to make your Halloween safe:

Costume Safety

•Choose a costume made of flame retardant material and bright colors visible at night

- Costumes should be short enough so that they don't cause your child to trip and fall
- Add reflective tape to the costume or bag, and props should be made of a flexible material, so that they don't pose a hazard if fallen on
- Masks should fit securely and allow your child to see well and not hinder visibility

Trick-or-Treating Safety

- Children should be well supervised by an adult when trick-or-treating. Older children should trick-or-treat in large groups in well known neighborhoods.
- Carry a flashlight and stick to well lit houses in familiar neighborhoods only
- Follow traffic signals and rules of the road and drive slowly
- Avoid taking shortcuts across backyards or alleys. Stick to the sidewalks of well lit streets

General Safety Tips

- Homeowners should prepare their home for trick-or-treaters by removing obstacles from the front yard, restraining dogs and other animals, and lighting the house well
- Artificial lights and candles are a safer alternative to real candles with a flame that can pose a fire hazard



Safety Crypt-O-Gram

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