DEER PARK SILVERTON JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

NEWSLETTER

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HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!

The last couple months have been very busy at Station 89. Quint 89 was officially placed in service on 7/9. The staff invested many hours of work to get the truck outfitted and complete driver training. Driver training consisted of a 10 step process to become certified operators. This was in addition to all normal day to day operations. Soon, our 1991 engine will be placed for sale.

Employee profiles!

Firefighter/Paramedic

Brittany Dryden

Brittany is from West Union, OH where she attended West Union H.S. She has been in the fire service for 3 years and EMS for 5.

Other jobs include Miami Twp and Milford fire departments, and she still volunteers for West Union Life Squad. Brittany is currently enrolled at Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences where she'll receive her bachelors in Nursing. In her spare time hobbies include weight lifting, mountain biking, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.

Fire Lieutenant/Paramedic

Josh Felser

Lt. Felser grew up in the Eastgate area and until recently lived in Madison Place. He recently bought a small farm in Goshen.

Josh has been a firefighter since 2005 and has also been serving our country in the Army Reserves since 2002, including a year tour in Iraq. He has earned an Associate's degree in Fire Service Technology and is a fire and CPR instructor. In his spare time he enjoys kayaking, working on his home, and spending time with his family and his dogs.

2018 Total Run Responses (Through June 30)

EMS–998 **Fire-294** **Total-1,292**

BEAT THE HEAT:
Extreme Heat

Heat related deaths are preventable

WHAT:

Extreme heat or heat waves occur when the temperature reaches extremely high levels or when the combination of heat and humidity causes the air to become oppressive.

WHO:

More males than females are affected

- Children
- Older adults
- Outside workers

WHERE:

- Houses with little to no AC
- Construction worksites
- Cars

HOW to AVOID:

- Stay hydrated with water, avoid sugary beverages
- Stay cool in an air conditioned area
- Wear light-weight, light colored, loose fitting clothes

During extreme heat the temperature in your car could be deadly!

Outside Temperature 80°

Inside 109°	Inside 118°	Inside 123°
Time Elapsed: 20 minutes	Time Elapsed: 40 minutes	Time Elapsed: 60 minutes

HEAT ALERTS: Know the difference.

HEAT OUTLOOK	HEAT WATCHES	HEAT WARNING/ADVISORY
Minor		Major
Excessive heat event in 3 to 7 days	Excessive heat event in 12 to 48 hours	Excessive heat event in next 36 hours

DID YOU KNOW?

Those living in **urban areas** may be at a greater risk from the effects of a prolonged heat wave than those living in rural areas.

Most **heat-related illnesses** occur because of overexposure to heat or over-exercising.

Sunburn can significantly slow the skin's ability to release excess heat.

206 people died in the US as a result of extreme heat in 2011.

$30 BILLION estimated total cost of the 2012 US drought and heatwave.

For more information on ways to beat the heat please visit:
http://www.cdc.gov/extremeheat/

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GRILLING STATISTICS from NFPA

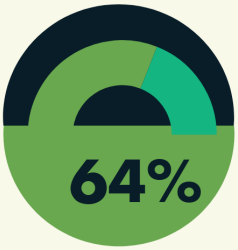
9,600 home fires are started by grills each year, on average

July is the peak month for grill fires, followed by May, June and August

16,600 patients went to the ER per year because of injuries involving grills, including **8,200** thermal burns

70% of U.S. households own at least one outdoor BBQ, grill or smoker

Gas grills contribute to a higher numbers of fires than charcoal grills.



of households own a gas grill

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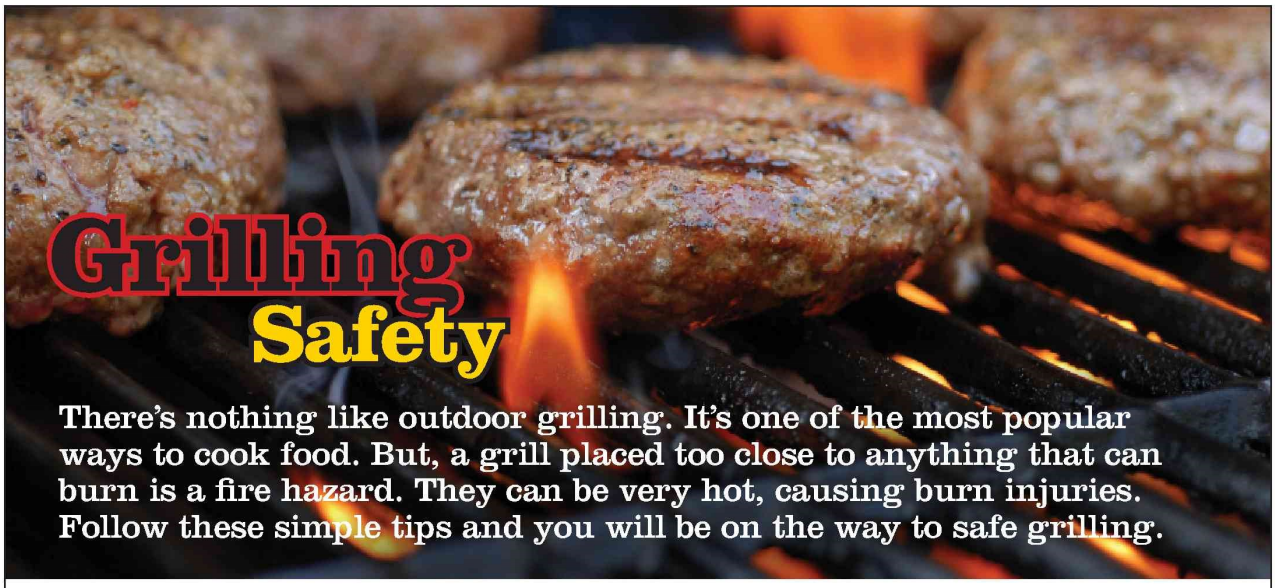
Sources:
HPBA's "State of the Barbecue Industry" consumer survey
NFPA's 2018 "Research Fact Sheet"



Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But, a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

SAFETY TIPS

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

- There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

PROPANE Grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. **If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department.** Do not move the grill.

If the flame **goes out**, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least **15 minutes** before re-lighting it.

FACTS

- July is the peak month for grill fires.
- Roughly half of the injuries involving grills are thermal burns.

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