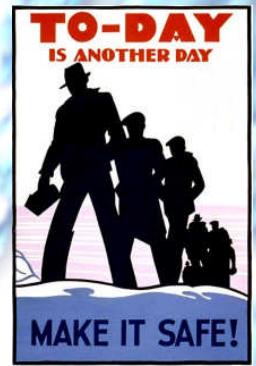




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Safety Program Vision

Our Safety Vision is to create a working environment that instills safety ownership and excellence in each of our employees as the cornerstone to becoming the Nation's Premier Energetics Center.

Our goals are quite simple:

- Place the safety and well being of each of our employees and contractors first.
- Create added value for our customers through world class performance in Safety, Health and Environment.
- Hold ourselves responsible and accountable for Safety, Environment, and Health performance within each organization.
- Exploit every opportunity to effectively, consistently and competently communicate the Safety, Health and Environmental message.
- Install employee and management feedback systems that will permit us to measure our Safety, Health and Environmental progress, while recognizing and rewarding superior performance of our employees.
- Foster a work environment where safety consciousness permeates the organization and people's behavior focuses on accident prevention through critical self-assessment, pro-active identification of workplace hazardous conditions, and appropriate, timely, and effective resolution of safety issues before they become problems.

The path to achieve these goals will require active participation of all of our leaders, managers and employees. The vision is the easy part; the hard job is still in front of us.

Subliminal Safety Santa Says.....

Correctly solve the safety message in the following rebus word puzzles and e-mail the solutions to raymond.geckle@navy.mil by 31 December 2008. Ten correct entries will be randomly selected from all correct entries to receive a safety award.

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Hint – It's what you deal with when you are injured.

TAKE PETS

Hint – What you should do before beginning any hazardous task.

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Hint – It's what happens when you don't follow the safety rules.

Ask the Safety Wiz

Send your questions to the Safety Wizard at raymond.geckle@navy.mil

Dear Wiz: Each safety meeting I attend in my work area is exactly like the one before it, and the one before that one, and so on and so on. What gives? - *Heard it all Before*

Dear Heard: You might as well face it, if you're into promoting safety awareness, you are into sales. Consider each year, on average, each American watches about 75 Coca-Cola commercials. Add to that the number of times they see a Coca-Cola ad in a store, on the side of a bus, or on a billboard, and it's obvious that Coke's is bombarding you with their message: "Buy Coca-Cola." Is it too much? It would be if the ads never changed or if they were boring, but Coke makes sure that doesn't happen. We need to take a hint from this successful company and make sure our safety message doesn't become old or stale. Please get involved and talk to the safety leaders in your work area about opportunities on how to spice up your safety program.

Dear Wiz: Why do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy candy at the front? - *Perplexed*

Dear Perplexed: Allow me to respond to your coherent question in a way that only you can understand: If a grapefruit is happier than a bulldozer, then that means your toaster can turn jam into sound.

The Fine Print.....

Be Careful: Others are depending on you to not take chances