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Highway to Health

Tips to Keep Kids Safe around Pools and Spas

Drowning is the leading cause of unintentional death for children ages 1-4. Here are some things to keep in mind.

- Rigid pool or spa covers are one of the best ways to provide safety for young children. These devices can completely cover the water, preventing access. Make sure the cover meets safety guidelines and regulations. It should hold the weight of two adults and one child, in case someone has to go out onto the cover to help someone stranded there.
- Check local regulations for fences and alarms. Consider an alarm system on doors leading to the pool or spa, and motion detectors that sense movement in the water.
- Once you leave the water, make sure children cannot return without your knowledge. Gates to the pool area should be self-closing and self-latching
- A child is more likely to go back in the pool if a toy is left floating in the pool. When you leave the pool area, take the toys with you.
- If you are using an inflatable pool, drain it when you are through.

These tips on water safety can hopefully help you and your family have plenty of fun without any of the worries. We hope you have a wonderful, safe summer!

Tips for Drowning Prevention at Home

- Never leave a young child unattended in the bath or near water, even for a few seconds or even if the baby is in a bath restraint device. Continue to supervise children in the bathtub until at least age 6.
- Use toilet locking devices and always empty buckets, coolers or other containers of water immediately. Mobile infants and toddlers have large heads and tend to be "top heavy." If they fall into one of these containers, they do not have the upper body strength to get themselves out.
- Be aware of the additional danger of combining water and electricity. Be sure bathrooms are equipped with ground fault interrupter outlets and keep any electrical appliances—hair dryers, curling irons, radios, etc.—out of sight and out of reach in the bathroom.
- Cover faucets that are accessible to children with a safety device that prevents them from turning on the water. Be sure your water heater is turned to a medium setting of about 120 degrees F.
- Empty wading pools after each use and turn upside down. Watch for other areas in the yard where water might accumulate.
- If you have a water feature or decorative pond in your yard, you will have to be extra careful. Remember, a toddler can drown in 2 inches of water. Keep doors to the outside locked. You may want to install a door alarm so you know if your toddler or young child leaves the house.
- If your home is near a creek, pond or other natural body of water, you may want to invest in a fence.

Source: Avera.org

Mike's Words of Wisdom...

"I'd rather be optimistic and wrong, than pessimistic and right."

- Elon Musk -

It's hard to be optimistic with all the things going on around us. We have experienced more challenges this year than in the last ten years. We have had African Swine Flu, Trade Wars with China, Covid-19, and riots that are tearing our country apart. With all this going on, how do we stay optimistic vs pessimistic?

Focus on our successes. No matter how small the victory, take it and celebrate it. At home or at work, there are successes to celebrate. They may be ours or someone we know.

Cultivate an attitude of gratitude. Write down things you are grateful for and tape it to your mirror. We all have something to be thankful for...health, work, or family. Gratitude is the Attitude that Determines our Altitude.

Let it go. I always say, if you bury it rather than carry it, your burden will be much lighter. Don't hang on to things you can't control.

Connect with positive people. Are we going to soar with the eagles or dwell with the turkeys? If we hang around negative people, we will become negative. Fly with the eagles with optimism and success.

Do it for your family. We have one shot at this life and we need to make the most of it. Set the example of optimism for your home and work families and they will follow. What we do each day supports our families financially and spiritually. In times like these, we need them the most and they need us!

These are just a few things we can focus on to get us to the other side. The number one way to achieve a goal is to set it, measure it, and then manage the success of it. Our mind is more powerful than our body and once we set our minds to something, nothing can stop us. For our families, our company, and our country we have the responsibility to do what is right for the right reason and work as a team to get past the pessimism and on to the optimism. Together We Can!

Respect Relationships Results

Have you ever been on the receiving end of someone going above and beyond? That certain someone who stepped outside of their day to day duties to help a fellow team member or Stan's in general, with no expectations of receiving anything in return? We have all been there and needed a helping hand, or have been the one who extended the help. We know it's happening, because we are amongst good people! We are looking for nominations for our Above and Beyond recognition. When you experience a helping hand, or an act of kindness, please share the details by emailing Morgan @ morgant@stansinc.net.



July Accidents & Incidents

Backed into another truck - \$10,343
 Missed king pin, damaged truck & trailer - \$250
 Drove over curb - \$2,500
 Turned too tight, damaged truck side - \$500
 Damaged trailer door while backing - \$2,200



Total: \$15,793

We have a \$25,000 deductible and are counting on YOU to keep costs down.

Check out the Monthly Safety Media!

Now offered in 2 media formats: CD's & Flash Drives
Congratulations to the July winners!
 Jimmie Rederth Kim Stacy Barry Eldeen
 Patrick Schulte Lori Haak

July Top Fuel Mileage Performers

Reefer Division:

8.76 MPG - 6.20 MPG Cost/Mile \$0.28 - \$0.39

Terry Nedved - 8.76
 Brian Alumbaugh - 8.64
 Randy Flitter - 8.60
 Steve Borkowski - 8.59
 Loren Postma - 8.52

Reefer drivers traveled a total of 477,828 miles in July!

Stan's employees have worked
43 days
 without a "lost time" accident!

**THINK SAFE
 WORK SAFE
 BE SAFE**

HRCORNER

We are looking to fill the following positions:

- Feed Truck Driver
- OTR Drivers
- Diesel Mechanic
- Technicians & Finishing Assistants (Swine Division)

Referral Incentive Available

Paid across divisions. (For FT hires)

Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested in these great opportunities.

For complete job descriptions contact Tammy @ 605-849-3604

August Birthdays

Monty Johnson - 8/5
 Terry Nedved - 8/8
 Catherine Lucklum - 8/12
 Barry Eldeen - 8/14
 Harry Solomon - 8/16
 Mark Goral - 8/18
 Patsy Hoglo - 8/18
 Kyle Weinman - 8/19
 Alex Kopfmann - 8/20
 Leonard Flores - 8/21
 David Fletcher - 8/30

Happy Birthday to our August babies!



September Birthdays

Orlando Lopez - 9/1
 Santiago Trevino - 9/1
 Loren Postma - 9/3
 Elaine Puetz - 9/7
 Stan Kopfmann - 9/7
 Morgan Tebay - 9/8
 Gilberto Frausto - 9/18
 Nick Gebel - 9/18

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\$1000 REFERRAL INCENTIVE!

We've DOUBLED the driver referral incentive! Bring us those drivers!



Stan's Welcomes New Employees!

Ward Swart Leonard Flores
 Both join our Reefer Division.

Please take the time to introduce yourself!



2020 National Truck Driver Appreciation Week

September 13th - 19th is National Truck Driver Appreciation Week! There will be giveaways and extra goodies throughout the week. Stay tuned for more details!

Thank you to Kristi Hine and the Wessington Springs True Dakotan newspaper for their continued coverage of the Boomer Memorial Golf Classic. Even though COVID prevented us from gathering this year, we hope that you will consider a donation to the Alpena Fire Department (AFD). The AFD puts those dollars to work every year upgrading and improving emergency response equipment and training. Please send donations to: Alpena Fire Department, PO Box 41, Alpena, SD, 57312. Please indicate donation is being made in honor of Brett Boomer Memorial Golf Classic.

Seventh Annual Brett Boomer Memorial Golf Classic raises funds for Alpena FD



Despite having to cancel the 2020 Eighth Annual Brett Boomer Memorial Golf Classic, the funds made at last year's event were presented recently to the Alpena Volunteer Fire Department (AVFD). Event organizer Todd Boomer (left), AVFD Fire Chief Gerry Orth (center) and treasurer Eric Stenstroma were on hand for the check presentation, held at Stan's Inc. home office. The Eighth Annual Boomer said that next year's event is already on the calendar, slated for Saturday, June 12, 2021 at Springs Country Club. Boomer and other event organizers encourage folks who were planning on attending this year's event to send donations directly to: Alpena Fire Department (in honor of the Eighth Annual Brett Boomer Memorial Golf Classic), P.O. Box 41, Alpena, SD 57312.

August

National Wellness Month
 This month focuses on self-care, creating healthy routines and stress management.



HAND SANITIZER FOR SALE

Limit 1 bottle per person until further notice.

\$5.00 per bottle



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August Years of Service Anniversaries

Mark Goral - 10 years
 Jodi Weber - 9 years
 Bill Steffey - 3 years
 Kenny Hendee - 3 years
 Wade Metter - 1 year

Thank You for your service & dedication to Stan's!