

Smoke Signals

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Minooka Fire Protection District

The dedicated members of the Minooka Fire Protection District strive to provide reliable emergency services, public education and awareness for our customers in a cost effective and responsible manner.

Volunteer and Cadet Program

A volunteer firefighter is a great way to serve your community and add a little excitement to your life. The Minooka Fire Protection District is accepting applications for volunteer firefighters.

Volunteer Firefighters: Must be 18 years of age or older, in good physical health and live within the Minooka Fire Protection District. Volunteer firefighters are required to complete a training program consisting of a couple nights each week and some Saturdays. Once the training program is completed, a probationary period begins until becoming a state certified firefighter.

Cadet Program: is for any high school student that would like to make firefighting a career. You must be 16 up to 18 years old and live within the Minooka Fire Protection District. You must also maintain a "C" average in school.

If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer firefighter or Fire cadet, applications are available at Minooka Fire Station #1, 7901 E. Minooka Road or online at www.minookafire.com/Careers.html. Applications must be returned by April 30, 2016.



Spring Pancake Breakfast

We would like to thank everyone that came to our Pancake Breakfast with Santa in December. We served over 1,000 people that day!

Our Spring Pancake Breakfast is set for Sunday, April 10, 2016, 8am-12pm. Save the Date!



Spring Safety Tips

With warmer weather and longer days approaching, people are emerging from their winter cocoons to focus on long-neglected projects like spring cleaning, home repairs and yard work. These activities can be extremely beneficial, but they also involve a variety of health and safety hazards that can be avoided with the proper precautions. To help ensure everyone in our community stays safe this season, the members of the Minooka Fire Protection District offer the following tips. Please share these tips with your family, friends and co-workers!

Cleaning Safety:

- Household and pool chemicals, paints and other poisons should be properly marked and stored in a locked metal cabinet out of the reach of children.
- Leave chemicals in their original containers. Do not put them into smaller containers such as water bottles, Gatorade bottles, etc. Children recognize these containers as something to "good" to drink.
- Use only approved containers for gasoline storage.
- Dispose of used cleaning rags, paint/staining brushes and cleaning supplies properly. Read the directions on the container.



Yardwork Safety:

- Always wear protective clothing such as long sleeves and gloves when handling pesticides and fertilizers.
- Lawn mowers, trimmers, edgers, pruners and power saws contribute to injuries and death each year. Keep children away from the area you are working in. Wear eye and hearing protection, along with sturdy shoes, not sandals or flip-flops.



Ladder Safety:

- Make sure the ladder is the right height for the job.
- Never stand on the top step or rung of the ladder.
- Avoid using a metal ladder near electrical sources.

