



Gates Mills Fire Department

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THINK SPRING AND SAFETY!

March and springtime in general is a busy time when it comes to Emergency Preparedness.

March 18th through the 24th is Spring Severe Weather Week. For some great information on severe weather and emergency preparedness, visit www.weathersafety.ohio.gov. On March 21, 2018 at 9:50 a.m. there will be a **Statewide Tornado Drill**. This drill will include the use of warning sirens, the Emergency Alert System (EAS), and our local **YOUR 911** notification system. To enroll, go to the Village's website at www.gatesmillsvillage.com and click on the **YOUR 911** link. If you have questions or need assistance signing up, please call the Town Hall at 440-423-4405 and speak to our Police and Town Hall Coordinators, Dorothy or Jean.

Don't forget to change your clocks along with your Smoke alarm and Carbon Monoxide alarm batteries on Sunday, March 11, 2018. According to the National Fire Protection Association, having a working smoke alarm cuts the chances of dying in a reported fire in half. Almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. If you don't have working smoke alarms, please contact me by phone or email. ***The fire department has a smoke alarm installation program available to all Gates Mills residents.***

With springtime comes the chance of flooding! Remember, "Turn Around – Don't Drown". Don't walk or drive through a flooded area. Six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet and two feet of moving water can move a car!

As a reminder to all of our residents, please visit the Village website: www.gatesmillsvillage.com often. New information is added on a regular basis as well as articles and links to help keep you and your family safe.

*Mark your calendars for **COFFEE WITH THE SAFETY FORCES!** Join Police Chief Gregg Minichello and I on Saturday, March 24th at 10:00 a.m. in the Community House basement. Stop in to say hello and ask any questions that you might have. Hope to see you there!*

Until the next Pink Sheet...

Chief P. Thomas Robinson