

# THE BUGLE

Windsor's Quarterly Fire and Life Safety Newsletter



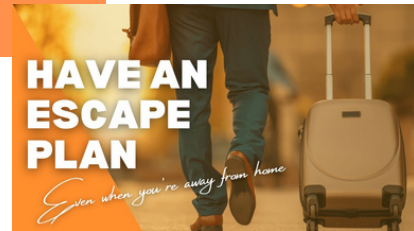
## FIREWORKS SAFETY

Did you know that fireworks started an estimated 12,264 fires in 2021? These fires caused 29 civilian injuries and \$59 million in direct property damage. There were no reported fire deaths. In the same year, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 11,500 people for fireworks related injuries. Children younger than 15 years of age accounted for almost one-quarter (23%) of the estimated 2021 injuries. Consumer fireworks are illegal in CT and children must be at least 16 years old to handle sparklers. Choose to celebrate safely this 4th of July and leave the fireworks to the professionals. Check out a PSA we produced with the CT State Police to learn more: [https://youtu.be/3jl\\_KRIEw\\_w](https://youtu.be/3jl_KRIEw_w)



This April we celebrated Fire Marshal Bob Bolasevich's 40 years of service and his retirement. With this has come some transitions in staffing. Lauri Volkert has been promoted to Fire Marshal and Dick Shea has been promoted to full-time Fire Inspector. Say "Hi!" when you see us around town.

Check out our travel safety video on YouTube



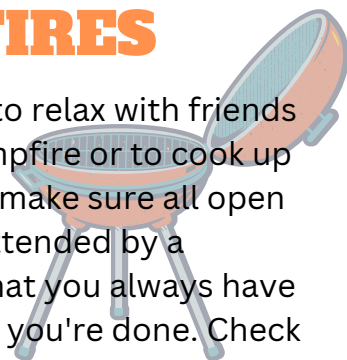
## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE SEASON

Warmer weather means it's time to be prepared for hurricanes and pop-up severe summer storms. Check your family emergency plan and supplies to make sure that you're ready for whatever mother nature throws our way. Make sure you have a plan to communicate with your family in case of emergency and are signed up for local alerts regarding evacuations and flooding. Check out: <https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes> to learn more.



## GRILLING AND OUTDOOR FIRES

Summer is a great time to relax with friends and family around a campfire or to cook up a storm on the grill. But make sure all open flames are constantly attended by a responsible adult and that you always have a way to put it out when you're done. Check out our [summer safety playlist](#).



## Fire Department Responses: Spring 2022

Fire Calls: 39  
Rescue Calls: 37  
Hazardous Condition Calls: 18  
Service Calls: 15  
False Alarms: 48