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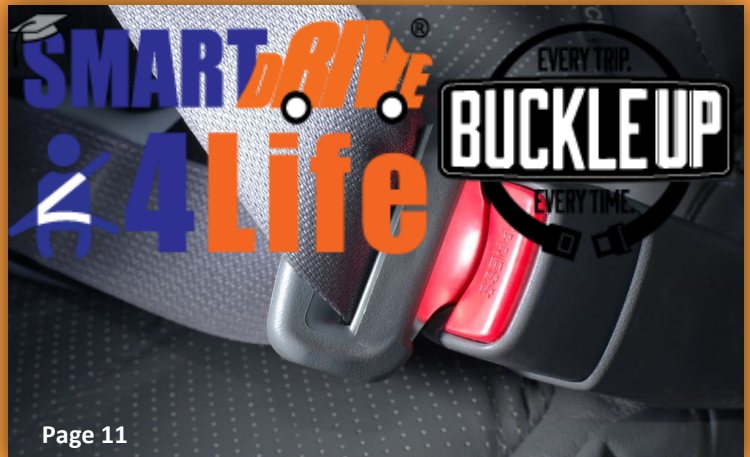


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## Message from Executive Director, Stacey Inglis

### TOWED AWAY AND UNRESTRAINED

Dear Members,

In 1966, American vehicles were required to have seat belts in their cars; just in time for my birth! But my mother's car was already two years old so it didn't have them. She was in an accident when I was two years old and I was unrestrained in the car. She was knocked unconscious. Just before the ambulance was leaving with her, the tow truck driver screamed out, "Oh my god there's a baby in the car!" When he hooked up the car to be towed away, I rolled out from under the seat and began to cry. My mother

couldn't alert them to my existence because she was in the ambulance unconscious. I have a visceral memory of being in her hospital room with her and playing in a wooden playpen next to her bed. They kept me to make sure I didn't have a concussion. We have come a long way since then regarding seat-belt usage and laws.



Mary Ellen Mancini Miss Delaware 1966 promoting seatbelt usage with DSC Executive Director

By 1975, most first-world countries had a seat belt requirement in their cars. Once they became more common in cars, laws soon followed. Actually, in 1970, the world's first seat belt law was created in Victoria, Australia, which required passengers to wear their seat belts at all

times. In the U.S., seat belt laws came around the time of the creation of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966.

Though they were required by law to be *in* cars, *wearing* seat belt laws were a different story. The National Ad Council ran countless ads for 25 plus years encouraging drivers to "Buckle Up." States slowly starting implementing laws and by 1995, every state except New Hampshire had "Click it or ticket" laws. Currently, all states have a seat belt enforcing law. Mandatory seat belt laws were one of Elizabeth Dole's signature accomplishments as Transportation Secretary under President Ronald Reagan.

A child restraint effort in Delaware became law in 1982 due to the combined efforts of the Delaware Safety Council, AAA, the State Office of Highway Safety, civic groups, state legislators and numerous Delawareans. But three years later in 1985, there wasn't a seatbelt law in Delaware. A national safety organization named *Traffic Safety Now*, awarded a \$124,000 grant to the *Delawareans for Safety Belt Use* to promote belt usage and safety belt legislation. Delaware passed its seatbelt law HB80 in 1991, signed by Governor Mike Castle.

*Stacey*



Model Lynn Ross demonstrates a seat belt in 1968. (AP)



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On July 28<sup>th</sup>, Delaware Safety Council's Board Co-Chair, Sam Waltz, Jr. was honored by [Rotary Club of Wilmington](#) with the prestigious [John F. Newnam Rotary Service Award](#). The award was established by the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Wilmington to be presented to a Rotarian who has made an outstanding contribution or performed distinguished service in supporting and promoting the ideal of "Service Above Self" through Rotary. The award is named in honor of John F. Newnam whose Club leadership, guidance and outstanding service to Rotary have set a standard for all Rotarians.

This year's winner was the indefatigable Sam Waltz. The award, an engraved silver trinket box, was presented by fellow Rotarians Rob Martinelli and Brandon Brice. Sam had asked his son Sam Waltz III to attend this "regular meeting", but we were able to surprise him with a secret guest: his beloved wife Sandi! The look on Sam's face said it all – he was truly surprised and deeply moved .

CONGRATULATIONS [SAM!](#)



Photo Left to Right: Rotarian, Brandon Brice, Sam Waltz III, Sandi Waltz, Sam Waltz, Jr. and Rotarian Rob Martinelli





# OSHA Launches Distribution Center Safety Program That Includes Stepped Up Inspections

The U.S. Department of Labor's [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#) launched a regional initiative that will include stepped-up safety inspections in Delaware.

Delaware has seen rapid growth in distribution jobs, mainly due to the opening of Amazon sites. The trend is expected to continue as companies work to bolster their supply chains and put warehouses closer to centers of population.

In addition to Delaware, OSHA's [Regional Emphasis Program for Warehousing Operation](#) will focus on industry employers in Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, and West Virginia..

The initiative follows a Bureau of Labor Statistics' 2020 finding that the warehousing and storage industry's injury rate of 4.8 per 100 workers is higher than the U.S. average of 2.7 per 100 rate among all private industries. In addition, from 2017 to 2020, BLS reported 93 work-related fatalities nationally in the industry.

In fall 2022, OSHA will begin targeted enforcement, incorporating on-site inspections to identify safety and health hazards, including those typically found in the warehousing industry. These include those related to the use of forklifts, lockout/tagout procedures, and machine guarding.



[Learn more about DSC Forklift Training](#)

**To register for Delaware Safety Council's OSHA-10 or OSHA-30 courses please call (302) 276-0660 today!**



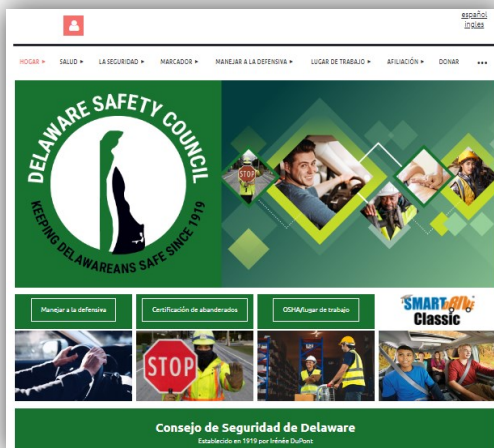
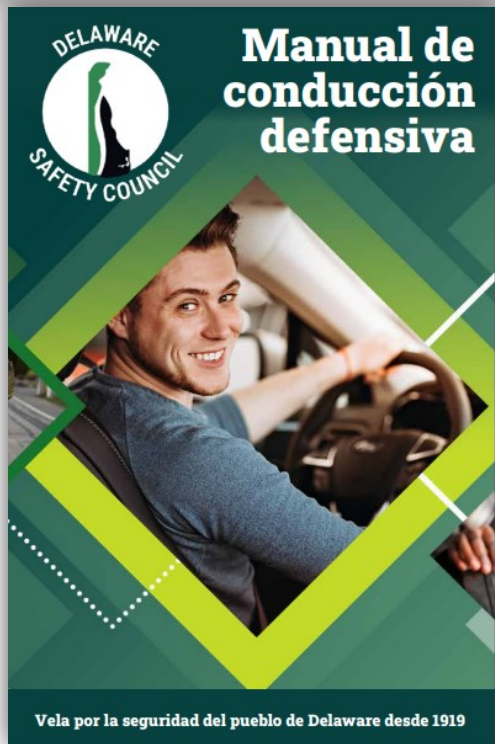
# SE HABLA ESPAÑOL

Every year from September 15 to October 15, Americans celebrate *National Hispanic Heritage Month* by appreciating the community's history, heritage, and contributions of the ancestors of American citizens who came from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and South and Central America. This year's theme is "*Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation.*"

September 15 is set as the starting date for the month as it is the independence anniversary for Latin American countries El Salvador, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Honduras. From here onwards, the independence days of Mexico and Chile fall on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Dia de la Raza or Columbus Day also falls within this month, on October 12.

With Delaware public school enrollment being 18% Hispanic, Delaware Safety Council recognized a need to better represent this presently underserved community as it relates to safe driving classes. Delaware Safety Council now offers both its driving manual and its website in Spanish language.

By late Fall of 2022, Delaware Safety Council is set to offer its DMV-Approved Basic and Advanced Safe Driving Classes in Spanish language. DSC has worked with local [Leaders Insurance Group, LLC](#) to translate and organize these classes. Two of their personnel have been officially trained as new driving instructors with Delaware Safety Council and will lead the Spanish language classes. Look for the future announcement of official class schedule on the [DSC Facebook](#) page.







## GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

# SIEMENS

A Delaware Safety Council Client



Siemens is a global innovator focusing on digitalization, electrification and automation for the process and manufacturing industries, and is a leader in power generation and distribution, intelligent infrastructure, and distributed energy systems. For nearly 175 years, the company has developed technologies that support multiple American industries including manufacturing, energy, healthcare, and infrastructure.

Tomorrow's world must be carbon-neutral, without fossil fuels or nuclear energy but with renewable energies. Admittedly, the process of making a factory, city, or country carbon-neutral is costly and time-consuming. *"Sufficient energy must be available at all times, including during the conversion phase when the infrastructure is being adapted. At the same time, competitiveness has to be maintained or – even better – boosted,"* says Franz Mende, Plant Manager at the Siemens plant in Amberg, Germany. *"We've been gradually improving our energy efficiency over a period of many years, but carbon-neutrality poses a much greater challenge. It's a matter of taking the right steps in the right order. That's more complicated than it sounds at first, which is why we've worked with colleagues from Siemens Smart Infrastructure, Real Estate, and Technology Business Units as well as with OTH Amberg-Weiden to calculate our path to decarbonization."*

## Siemens Endeavors in the U.S.

Siemens' technical expertise, comprehensive portfolio and long-standing experience are helping to pioneer a sustainable future across the globe.

Siemens is leading the way towards carbon neutrality. With a firm commitment to become carbon neutral by 2030, they take leadership towards decarbonization. At the same time, helping their customers meet their individual decarbonization goals.

Siemens has set a clear signal that companies must take leadership in driving decarbonization. It is their belief that companies play a pioneering role in the fight against climate change. The goal is clear: All Siemens production facilities and buildings worldwide are to achieve a net zero -carbon footprint by 2030. This program not only benefits humanity and the environment, but also comes with sustainable economic advantages for the company.

For implementation of the carbon neutral program, Siemens counts on each of their employees. The ownership culture promotes and demands responsible action for the company and for society. Given the fact that they have exceeded interim goals of CO2 reduction since the start of the program reconfirms they are on the right track. Employees make a large contribution to reaching the CO2 goals. Additionally, Siemens provides incentives in relevant corporate functions, e.g. for a climate friendly company vehicle or a reduced annual ticket for the local public transportation system.

## The Company 2022



Siemens company presentation





## TAKING THE SHOW ON THE ROAD (Safely of course.)



### Distracted in Virginia

August 17-19, Delaware Safety Council hopped a train and headed to Norfolk, VA for the [9th Annual Distracted Driving Summit](#) hosted by [DRIVE SMART VIRGINIA](#).

The summit was sponsored by GEICO Philanthropic Foundation, Columbia Gas, NiSource Charitable Foundation, Nationwide, Enterprise, StateFarm, VRSA, Farm Bureau Insurance, Farmer's Insurance, VADA, AAA-Tidewater, Virginia, VCU Health, Children's Hospital of Richmond and Rockingham Insurance.

Stephanie Hancock of the [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration](#) was the Keynote Speaker focusing on *What is the Safe System Approach?* General Session on day one included Jordan Blenner of [NHTSA](#), Dr. Greg Fitch of Google and General Session on day two was Johan Enstrom of Waymo and Cathy McGhee, Director of Virginia Department of Transportation.

Pam Shadel Fischer, Senior Director of External Engagement for the Washington, D.C. based [Governors Highway Safety Association](#) spoke in several Breakout Sessions and will be leading two Workshop Sessions for *Delaware's Office of Highway Safety's* upcoming [2022 Delaware Highway Safety Conference](#) being held in Dewey Beach on September 27 – September 29, 2022 at the Hyatt. To register for the Delaware conference please [click here](#).







## TAKING THE SHOW ON THE ROAD (Safely of course.)

International Flavors and Fragrances, Inc., a tenant of the DUPONT Experimental Station property, invited Delaware Safety Council to their quarterly safety meeting.

DSC Executive Director, Stacey Inglis offered a safety presentation on *Personal and Travel Safety*. As business travel is set to ramp up, a travel safety refresher was topical.

She reviewed situational awareness on public transportation, hotel room security, personal belongings security and pre-travel bankcard and cyber security tips.

[International Flavors & Fragrances](#) is an American corporation that produces flavors, fragrances, and cosmetic actives, which it markets globally. It is headquartered in New York City and has creative, sales, and manufacturing facilities in 44 countries.



SmartDrive Education Consultant, Guy VanderLek, and DSC Executive Director, Stacey Inglis met with OHS Director, Kimberly Chesser and Senior Traffic Safety Program Manager, Sarah Cattie at the [Office of Highway Safety](#) in Dover, Delaware.

The group reviewed Delaware Safety Council's 2022 [SmartDrive Click4Life Campaign](#) and the state of Teen Driving results in Delaware for 2021.

There is room for improvement in passenger seatbelt usage and is the reason DSC is expanding the Click4Life campaign to include Delaware Middle Schools. [#arrivealive](#)





## MEMBER FOCUS

### DIVING INTO DIVER. Good Neighbors since 1915.



Photo: Richard Diver  
President/Dealer-Operator

"Good Neighbors Since 1915" is much more than a marketing slogan at Diver Chevrolet; it's one of our foundational principles. Because at Diver Chevrolet, **we believe in community**. The Diver family's commitment to hands-on daily involvement in the running of our dealership extends to supporting the organizations of our customers, who for three generations have supported us.

Giving back to the community comes easy to us. One of the first lessons I learned as a new employee was that at Diver Chevrolet, "we do business with people who do business with us." As business leaders, we gladly give our time and financial support to local non-profit organizations that assist those in need in Delaware and the surrounding states. We also believe that being a visible presence at community events such as the **Wilmington Grand Prix**, **Kennett Mushroom Festival**, and **Share the Night Tree Lighting at the Ronald McDonald House** can be a deciding factor when potential customers are deciding to purchase or service a vehicle. There is no question that this philosophy of giving back to the community is one of the key factors in our incredibly loyal customer base and 96 years of success. Keep reading to learn about some of the organizations that we love to support.

-Rich Diver, President  
Diver Chevrolet

### ABOUT DIVER CHEVROLET

**Diver**  
Chevrolet in Wilmington



The Diver family is one of the oldest names in the Delaware automotive community and has been selling and servicing cars since 1915. In 1952, they acquired the Chevrolet franchise and has consistently been ranked as one of the top-performing dealerships. The business is now managed by a third generation of family members. They are Delaware's #1 Chevy Dealer in New Car Sales and Customer Satisfaction.

For over 100 years there has been a "Diver on duty". Rich Diver took over the family business in 2015 from his uncle Clifford Diver who had been President for over 70 years. Thank you Diver, for being a Delaware Safety Council Member!



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## HOW TO SAFELY REMOVE A TICK

Ticks are blood-feeding parasites that attach firmly to the skin's surface. They're usually found in shrubs and tall grassy areas and are most active in the United States during warmer months from April to September. However, tick exposure can occur year-round.

The biggest concern with tick bites is the exposure and transmission of infectious disease, including risk of Lyme disease.

If you find an embedded tick, here's how to safely remove a tick and dispose of it.

### SAFE TICK REMOVAL PROCESS

The longer a tick is attached, the more likely diseases or other problems will occur. Therefore, the whole tick should be removed as soon as possible.

To best way to remove an attached tick:

- 1) Grasp the tick close to the skin with fine-point tweezers (various tick removal tools are also available).
- 2) Pull straight up with a steady, slow motion. Note that twisting or jerking can cause the tick's mouth to break off.
- 3) Clean the bite site with soap and water or an antiseptic wipe.
- 4) Wash your hands thoroughly when finished removing the tick.

If parts of the tick remain in the skin, or if the person develops a fever, rash, or aches within a few weeks of a tick bite, seek medical attention with a healthcare provider.

### THE DON'TS OF TICK REMOVAL

There are many common tick removal misconceptions and folklore remedies to, in theory, make the tick's body detach from the skin. However, the following actions have no proven value and may cause additional harm:

**"Painting" the tick with fingernail polish / Coating it with petroleum jelly / Using a glowing hot match or alcohol**

You should also avoid crushing the removed tick with your fingers. Instead, the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/disease/prevention/tick-bites/) (CDC) recommends disposing of a live tick by putting it in alcohol, placing it in a sealed container (e.g. plastic bag), wrapping it tightly in tape, or flushing it down the toilet.







## CLICK4Life 2022 Campaign

The [2022 CLICK4Life Campaign](#) is set to launch on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at William Penn and Delmar high schools, and on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at Caesar Rodney and Dover high schools.

Each of these schools has lost a member of their student community in 2022 as a result of a motor vehicle crash. These losses came in all three of Delaware's counties, proving that no community in our state can go untouched.

In 2021, there were 10 fatalities among the under-19 population in Delaware. Among the 10 lost, 7 were not properly restrained or unrestrained. Clearly there is more work to be done educating Delaware Teen about the importance of seat belt use, by both drivers and passengers.

To that end, in cooperation with the [Delaware Office of Highway Safety](#), this year's [CLICK4Life Campaign](#) will extend this year to middle schools, including those educating students with special educational needs.



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