

August 2017 - DID YOU KNOW?

Roughly six out of seven fires in college and university dormitories are started by cooking.

Most are due to a general lack of knowledge about fire safety and prevention.

- Only cook where permitted and never leave the area while cooking.
- Never cook after consuming alcohol. Alcohol often impairs judgment and hampers evacuation efforts.
- Actively participate in fire drills.
- Ask to see, read, and understand your building's fire safety Plan.
- Take every alarm seriously. Never assume it is just another false alarm!
- Make sure that you know two ways to escape in the event of a fire.
- Do not overload electrical outlets; make sure extension cords are used properly.
- If you live in an apartment or house, make sure smoke alarms are installed in each sleeping room, outside every sleeping area, and on each level of the apartment unit or house.

In case you missed one, here's an archive of past "Did You Know" reminders.

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