

# Braking News

## Defensive Driving: Be Aware of the Dangers of Summer Driving

Summer is quickly approaching and although it may seem like a safer time to drive, there are dangers associated with the season. Below are some common dangers to be aware of while driving during the summer months. By knowing what you might encounter, you can keep yourself safe while on the road.

### More teen drivers

When school is out there are more teen drivers on the road. The unavoidable lack of experience can lead to questionable judgment that can increase the risk of an accident.

### Road congestion

Drivers on vacation add to road congestion which can make for harder driving conditions and the potential for road rage, so plan ahead. Vacationing drivers are sometimes unfamiliar with the roads, which can lead to erratic or unpredictable driving.

### Construction

Summertime is a popular time for road construction. Always be extra cautious when driving around construction zones.

### Sharing the road with cyclists and bikers

Due to the nicer weather, there are more bicycles and motorcycles on the road during the Summer months, which makes sharing the road a priority for drivers. Driving alongside cyclists can make traffic maneuvers more dangerous.

### Sun and excess heat

The sun and excess heat increases the chance of your engine overheating. If your engine overheats, pull over to let it cool down.



## Kudos

TransNet would like to acknowledge **Kevin Doyle of Bux-Mont Transportation** for recognizing and assisting in a medical emergency involving a passenger in his vehicle on 3/27/15. The consumer and his wife greatly appreciated Mr. Doyle's kindness, thoughtfulness, and quick thinking during his time of need.

TransNet received a letter of appreciation from a consumer's mother for the excellent service provided by driver, **Thomas Bathe** and vehicle aide, **Bob Killian** of Bux-Mont Transportation who transport her son to Willow Grove DEC. She also mentioned that **Donna Stover**, "who answers the phones in the Bux-Mont office, is always so polite and nice".

## National Community Transportation Roadeo



On Sunday, May 31, 2015 James Downam, of Norris-town Transportation and Krista Prentice of Bux-Mont Transportation competed in the National Community Transportation Roadeo in Tampa, Florida. This event is sponsored by the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA). During the awards ceremony that evening Krista received an award for the Most Spirited Driver.

## TransNet's Substance Abuse Policy

In 2014 the percentage of positive drug testing for random, post accident, and reasonable suspicion testing increased by 3.7% compared to 2013. Given TransNet's zero-tolerance drug and alcohol policy, employees in safety sensitive positions who test positive for drugs or alcohol will be immediately removed from all work. **Please realize that what you do on your personal time can impact your professional lives.**

