



Cookeville Gas Department Celebrates Natural Gas Utility Workers' Day on March 18

Cookeville, TN (3/10/2016) –

The Cookeville Gas Department will observe the national Natural Gas Utility Workers' Day on March 18. 2016 is the first year in which March 18 is Natural Gas Utility Workers' Day, a time when communities such as ours give recognition to the employees who provide one of their most valuable assets, their natural gas utility. We will continue to celebrate March 18 each year.

Safety is a vital aspect to natural gas distribution and the employees of distribution companies endeavor to make natural gas delivery as safe as possible.

This annual nationwide event is intended to build public awareness about the hard work done by the employees of natural gas utilities. Today, we will also educate residents on the environmental, safety and cost benefits of using clean, reliable and affordable natural gas. Our customers recognize the need to access reliable, affordable, safe energy and depend on the service of the natural gas utility employees for that need. Currently, our servicemen are in the process of leak surveying our system. We do this each year by walking our distribution lines with leak detection equipment, pinpointing even the smallest of leaks, and then repairing them. We actually survey all of our 329 miles of main each year and approximately 20% of our service lines annually.

The Cookeville Gas Department looks forward to continuing to bring safe, reliable natural gas into your homes and businesses. We also hope you join us in supporting natural gas as a premier energy source for our country. As the cleanest burning fossil fuel, natural gas can help us achieve energy security and build a more competitive economy.

If you would like to learn more about the benefits of natural gas and how your public natural gas system works, please contact us at (931) – 520 -4427 or on the web at <http://www.cookeville-tn.gov/gas/>