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Chatfield Fire Department Urges Chatfield Residents to “Stay Fire Smart! Don’t Get Burned.”

Chatfield, Minnesota October, 2009—Once a child touches a hot stove, as the cliché goes—he learns his lesson, stay away from a hot stove. This cliché does not take into account the pain and suffering from burns and burns should not be part of the learning process.

That’s why Chatfield Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for Fire Prevention Week 2009 - October 4-10 - to urge Chatfield residents to “Stay Fire Smart! Don’t Get Burned.” This year’s campaign focuses on ways to keep homes fire safe and prevent painful burns. Additionally, fire safety educators will be teaching local residents how to plan and practice escape from a home in case a fire occurs.

The statistics are staggering. Each year roughly 3,000 people die as a result of home fires and burns, and more than 200,000 individuals are seen in the nation’s emergency rooms for burn injuries.

“The most common types of burn injuries result from fire or flame burns, scalds and contact burns,” said Chief Vogen. “Burns are painful and can result in serious scarring and even death. When we take extra caution in our homes to ensure that the curling iron is out of children’s reach or pot handles are turned away from the edge of the stove, such injuries are entirely preventable. Keeping our homes safe from fire and preventing devastating burn injuries is a healthy change we can make happen.”

By following simple safety rules, you can “Stay Fire Smart! Don’t Get Burned.”

- Keep hot foods and liquids away from tables and counter edges so they cannot be pulled or knocked over.
- Have a 3-foot “kid-free” zone around the stove.
- Never hold a child in your arms while preparing hot food or drinking a hot beverage.
- Be careful when using things that get hot such as curling irons, oven, irons, lamps, heaters.
- Install tamper-resistant receptacles to prevent a child from sticking an object in the outlet.
- Never leave a child alone in a room with a lit candle, portable heater, lit fireplace or stove, or where a hot appliance might be in use.
- Wear short or close-fitting sleeves when cooking.
- Set your hot water temperature no higher than 120 degrees.
- Install anti-scald valves on shower heads and faucets.

Fire Prevention Week is actively supported by fire departments across the country. For 85 years, fire departments have observed Fire Prevention Week, making it the longest running public health and safety observance on record.

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For more information on “Stay Fire Smart! Don’t Get Burned.” visit www.firepreventionweek.org

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“Trick or Treat” will soon be heard. It is time to think about safety for Halloween; do not wear masks that block vision or hearing, carry a flashlight, use reflectors or glow wands to be more visible, use sidewalks and cross only at street corners.

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Police Office (Non Emergency) 507-867-3331
Chatfield Public Library 507-867-3480

Chatfield - FALL FESTIVITIES

Enjoy the splendor of fall in Downtown Chatfield.

Saturday, October 10, 2009

4:00 pm—7:00 pm Lion's Club annual Beer & Brat Supper at Fire Hall
7:30 pm—In celebration of National Fire Prevention Week, the Firefighters and Wit's End Theatre present the Annual Firefighters' Variety Show, featuring local talent, including the Firefighters! Admission by Donation.

The Potter Auditorium

Saturday, October 17, 2009

10:00 am—2:00 pm Growers Market—*City Park*
11:00 am—2:00 pm Pumpkin Decorating, Kids Games, Lunch (Fund Raiser for Girl Scouts)
Apple Cider Making Demonstration

Bailiwick Gifts Parking Lot

11:00 am—1:30 pm Baking Contest—Zucchini, Pumpkin, Apple or Cranberry Baked Goods
11:00—12:00 pm Drop off Contest Entries at Bailiwick Gifts Parking Lot, 12:00— 1:00 pm Judging
1:00— 1:30 pm Public Tasting of Entries for People's Choice Award

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Mon Oct 5th— Planning & Zoning @ 7:00 pm

Mon Oct 12th— City Council @ 7:00 pm

Mon Oct 19th-Heritage Preservation
Commission @ 7:00 pm

Thu Oct 22nd— Economic Development
Authority @ 5:30 pm

Mon Oct 26th- City Council @ 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Grower's Market

Get fresh flowers, plants and more Thursdays from 3:00—6:00 pm
Saturday, October 17—Main Street 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Brush & Leaf Dump Hours

EFFECTIVE 10/01/2009

Wednesdays 1:00 pm—4:00 pm

Fridays 1:00 pm—4:00 pm,

Saturdays 10:00 am—4:00pm

Brush, leaves & grass clippings only, please!!!

Rose Sale

Taking orders through Monday, October 19th

Contact your personal Lions Club representative or Kelly Wagner
kelmichele1976@msn.com 507-867-3854 to order.

Pick Up— Friday, October 23 3:00-7:00 p.m. @ R4 Meats \$15.00 dz

Stroke Awareness Training

Recognizing the symptoms of a stroke is critical as every minute counts when responding to a stroke victim. Chatfield EMS Training is offering a presentation that will make you more aware of stroke symptoms. This presentation is free of charge and available to groups and organizations looking for speakers. Call 867-4446 to schedule the program.



CITY LEAF PICK-UP

Monday, October 26 and Tuesday, October 27

Please place your bagged leaves at the curbside for pick-up.