



PREVENTION 365

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Prevention 365 is a quarterly e-newsletter that highlights fire and lifesaving topics designed so you can read them in a minute. Follow along for seasonal safety tips for these cooler months ahead!

Quarterly Safety Tips

Make safety a top priority this Halloween

As Halloween approaches, excitement fills the air with costumes and candy, but it's crucial to keep safety in mind for our little trick-or-treaters. On average, twice as many children are killed while walking on Halloween than on any other day of the year according to Safe Kids Worldwide.

Watch the video below for important tips on supervising children, choosing safe costumes, and inspecting treats to help ensure a safe Halloween:



Wishing you a safe and fun Halloween!

'Tis the season for holiday feasts

Food safety is always a priority, especially during the bustling holiday season! Whether you're whipping up festive feasts indoors or grilling outdoors, it's essential to keep food safety in mind to avoid food poisoning and foodborne illnesses. Follow these tips to ensure your gatherings are memorable for all the right reasons:

- Safety at the supermarket: Don't buy cans with dents, bulges, or rust
- Store it right: Set refrigeration between 35°F and 40°F; freezers should be at or below 0°F



- Cooking to perfection: Don't roast meat or poultry at temperatures below 325°F. Cooking foods at low temperatures for long periods of time may encourage bacterial growth

For more information on how to avoid foodborne illnesses visit GwinnettSafety411.com.

Heat your home safely this holiday season

As colder months approach, the threat of wintry weather looms. We want to emphasize the importance of safety while heating your home with alternate heating methods if power outages become a concern. Here's a list of essential tips to help you stay safe and warm this winter:

- Fireplaces need to be cleaned out frequently, and chimneys should be inspected for obstructions and cracks to prevent deadly chimney and roof fires
- Only buy space and kerosene heaters evaluated by a nationally recognized laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories or UL
- Never use generators in homes, garages, basements, crawl spaces, or other enclosed or partially enclosed areas, even with ventilation



Read a more extensive list of home heating safety tips at GwinnettSafety411.com.



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