



# New Year Safety Resolutions

Essential and Easy Steps to Protect Your Family



**S**afety doesn't just happen.

It's important! A little time now can help you avoid a lot of aggravation and possible injury later.

## At Home:

- ◆ Go on a hazard hunt
- ◆ Make or review your emergency escape plan
- ◆ Update your safety kit
- ◆ Never leave burning candles unattended
- ◆ Clean your dryer vent
- ◆ Replace batteries in your smoke/carbon monoxide alarms
- ◆ Have your fire extinguishers expired?
- ◆ Use light timers while you're away to make it look like someone is home

## In Your Car:

- ◆ Update Your Safety Kit
- ◆ Don't talk on your cell phone or text while driving
- ◆ Never drink and drive or drive drowsy
- ◆ Maintain your vehicle and your tires
- ◆ Model good behavior with children around

### TIME FOR AN INSURANCE REVIEW

Time passes, coverage needs change, new discounts are offered. Contact your professional insurance agent to make sure you're up to date and receiving all the incentives you qualify for.

### Recent Real Fires

Don't let this happen to you!

- Unattended candle near blowing curtains
- Lamp with no shade near combustibles knocked over by cat
- Heat gun left on frozen pipes unattended
- Hot woodstove ashes placed in garbage can in the garage
- Unattended stovetop cooking
- Riding lawn mower parked in garage immediately after mowing
- Spontaneous combustion of rags soaked in linseed oil left in basement
- Hot grill left too close to vinyl siding
- Un-extinguished cigarette in garage garbage can
- Fireworks ignited roof shingles
- Rags soaked with stripping solution left near woodstove
- 40 watt bulbs placed in seasonal candles made for 7 watt bulbs