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MEDIA INFORMATION

Re: Fire Prevention Week October 4-9, 2009

This Tomball Fire Marshal's Office has again joined forces with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) to spread the message of fire safety. October 4th through October 9th 2009, has been officially deemed Fire Prevention Week. This year the message is "Stay Fire Smart, Don't Get Burned!" The Tomball Fire Marshal's Office will be visiting local schools and taking time to educate the kids on ways they can help prevent fires.

This year there will be a coloring contest for Tomball Elementary School students, and a character-based skit that will help to provide this year's message while providing some laughs along the way. Some of the topics that will be covered this year include: Know your address, Don't play with Lighters and Matches, Kitchen Safety, Get Out, Stay Out, Don't Go Back In!

Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, the tragic 1871 conflagration that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres. The fire began on October 8, but continued into and did most of its damage on October 9, 1871.

Visit www.NFPA.org for more information about Fire Prevention Week.

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