

A graphic of a calendar page for the month of October, showing a grid of days.

NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

October is National Fire Prevention Month and that means it's time for us all to take the precautionary steps to prevent dangerous and life-threatening fires. According to the National Fire Protection Association, seven people die every day from home fires. The winter months see an increase in home fires, deaths and injuries. These are the months when we turn on the heat to keep our homes warm. While we need to keep our homes warm, there are steps we should take to prevent a fire:

- Make sure your heating source is well maintained.
- Don't store items near your heating source.
- Make sure draperies and furniture and other combustible items are kept far enough away from a heating source.

Other causes of fire include:

- Kitchen - Do not leave burners or grills unattended. Use proper equipment and keep dish towels, clothing and other items away from heating elements and open flames.
- Candles - Never leave a burning candle unattended.
- Smoking - Unattended cigarettes or overly full ashtrays start fires. Curious children might play with matches or lighters. Keep them out of their reach!

More National Fire Prevention Month tips:

- Make sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working. Place a fire detector on every level of the home and test monthly. Replace batteries annually.
- Get fire extinguishers. Place one on each floor of the house and in the garage. Know how to use them.
- Have an escape plan. Practice fire drills with your family and make sure everyone knows where to go depending on where the fire is in the home. Have at least two ways to get out of the house. Set a meeting place for everyone. In the event of a house fire, do not try to salvage items before leaving the house. Keep valuable documents in a fireproof box for recovery later.

Superior Home Care's Automobile Policies

Superior Home Care offers a service to our clients that allows PCAs to provide transportation. PCAs can use the client's car or their own personal vehicle. If the PCA uses their own car, the client is obligated to pay mileage at the rate of \$.50 per mile.

This is to be paid in full to the PCA during the shift when transportation is provided.

Subsequent trips cannot be provided until the previous mileage is paid. Also, when a PCA is the driver, the client can be the only passenger in the car.

In order for PCAs to transport a client, they must provide SHC with a signed waiver of responsibility and a current copy of their insurance card. PCA must also provide a driving record to SHC. Most auto policies issue new cards every 6 months. A copy of this updated card needs to be sent to SHC for the employee's file in order for the employee to continue to transport their client.

The background of the newsletter is decorated with various Halloween-themed elements. On the left, there is a calendar graphic for October and a pumpkin. On the right, there is a ghost and a witch's hat. The entire page is framed by a border of autumn leaves and acorns. At the bottom, there is a large orange button with the text "HAPPY HALLOWEEN!".

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Hi all! Another month has gone by very fast and it's time for Halloween! Here's some fun Fall outings you may want to check out:

◆ Applewood Orchard, a one stop shop for you. They have pumpkins, apples and a large corn maze. The address is: 22702 Hamburg Ave in Lakeville. This is a free event!

◆ Capable Partners is having a deer hunt on October 23rd. It will be at Vermillion Highlands WMA in Rosemount. Registration is required by October 20th. Go to their website: www.capablepartners.org or contact Gregg Runyon at 763-267-7271.

◆ Halloween Fest on the Go will be held at Lac Lavan in Burnsville on Friday, October 29th. Boys and ghouls of all ages are invited to this family-friendly event that includes a drive-thru illuminated trick or treat trail, music and entertainment. Costumes are highly encouraged. Cost is \$10 per vehicle. Space is limited and you must register at: www.burnsvillemn.gov.

Until next month ... Jim (client)



01 - Dennis	15 - Autumn
01 - Matthew	15 - Anna
01 - Hasina	15 - Cynthia
01 - Blotah	16 - Han
02 - Laurie	17 - Diane
02 - Sherry	18 - Preston
03 - Brittney	18 - Rafah
05 - Vanessa	18 - Fawn
06 - Kelly	18 - Parvinder
07 - Angela	19 - Desiree
07 - Cynthia	19 - Sheila
07 - Shaelynn	20 - Rosco
09 - Kevin	20 - Anisa
09 - Sokheang	20 - Shania
10 - Xuyen	21 - Warren
10 - Foug	21 - Cinta
10 - Son	22 - Cody
10 - Beth	25 - Sheryl
10 - Cameron	26 - Zumra
12 - Mary	28 - Mitchel
13 - Mary	28 - Anne
13 - Jeanette	29 - Will
14 - Brianna	

HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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BATS
 BLACK CAT
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 CANDY
 COSTUME
 FRIGHTENING
 GHOST
 GOBLIN

HAUNTED HOUSE
 MASK
 MONSTER
 MOON
 OCTOBER
 PARTY
 PUMPKIN
 SCARY

SKELETON
 SPIDER WEB
 SPOOKY
 TREAT
 TRICK
 VAMPIRE
 WITCH
 ZOMBIE

Incredible Facts about Minnesota.....

- There are 69,200 miles of rivers and streams in Minnesota. That's enough to circle the equator 2 3/4 times!
- Minnesota produces more turkeys each year than there are people in California, 44-46 million annually.
- Minnesota has over 3 times more white-tailed deer than college students, 1.5 million.
- In 2015, the MN State Fair logged 1,779,738 visitors, enough to fill the new Vikings stadium more than 24 times!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Lisa Cecchini has been selected for Superior Home Care's Employee of the Month for October 2021. Lisa has been a PCA with Superior Home Care for over 2 years. We are grateful for her hard work and dedication.

Thank You Lisa!



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