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Summer Safety Tips – Keep Safe this Summer

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Have a Safe Summer!

Here are some summertime safety tips to keep you and your family safe.

Visit our website at www.murrayguari.com/resources for additional safety tips.



Pool Safety:

- Childproof your pool by enclosing it in a fence with a self-closing and self-latching gate
- Install safety nets, permanent pool covers, audible alarms to prevent kids or pets from falling into the pool
- Remove all toys from the pool and pool deck to prevent kids from playing near or falling into the pool
- Supervise your kids around the pool, even if they know how to swim
- Swim in pools with certified lifeguards who are trained in injury prevention and emergency response
- Have the right emergency equipment on hand (flotation devices, first aid kit, phone) and learn CPR
- Have children who don't know how to swim wear a Coast Guard approved life vest – not "floaties"
- Take your child to swimming lessons
- Install anti-entrapment drain covers so kids do not get trapped by drain suction



Grilling Safety:

- Never leave your grill unattended
- Choose the right location – away from children, away from flammable objects and in well-ventilated areas
- Follow manufacturer instructions when using grill
- Maintain and keep your grill clean – free from debris and grease
- Be prepared to put out a fire – have an extinguisher nearby and know how to use it
- Wear proper clothing – protect your body and feet while cooking
- Prevent burns by using proper cooking tools – hand mitts, long tongs, and spatulas
- Do not overload grill – protect yourself from grease flare-ups





Fireworks Safety:

- Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities
- Always read and follow label directions. Use fireworks only as intended.
- Obey local laws. Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them
- Only use fireworks outdoors and always have water handy
- Keep spectators at a safe distance
- Never throw or point fireworks at other people
- Kids should never play with fireworks. Even sparklers can be dangerous if used incorrectly
- Dispose of fireworks properly by soaking them in water




Garage Safety:

- Install a carbon monoxide alarm in your home
- Teach children that the garage door and garage door opener are not toys
- Keep garage door opener transmitters and remotes out of the reach of children
- Keep tools, chemicals, and paint in locked cabinets out of the reach of children
- Keep the floors clean of clutter to avoid tripping hazards
- Properly store flammable items
- Never stand or walk under a moving garage door
- Never leave children or pets unattended in the garage




Playground Safety:

- Avoid playgrounds with non-impact absorbing surfaces, such as asphalt, concrete, grass, dirt or gravel
- Check the playgrounds where your children play. Look for and report any safety hazards
- Actively supervise children on playgrounds
- Teach children that pushing, shoving or crowding while on the playground can be dangerous
- Ensure that children use age-appropriate playground equipment
- Check that the playground is inspected and maintained by qualified personnel



Wrong Way Crashes

Florida DOT – Preventing Wrong Way Crashes

According to the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on average, 360 people die annually in roughly 260 fatal wrong-way collisions. Most of these types of accidents occur when people have been drinking, and the majority happen after midnight. Most of the drivers range in age from 20-38. The NTSB also found a number of drivers older than 70 were involved in these crashes, where alcohol was not a factor.



Florida has seen a dramatic increase in wrong way crashes on its major roadways. Florida officials report that there were 24 wrong-way crashes along the Turnpike from 2010 through 2012; there were 22 fatal crashes in Broward and Palm Beach counties from 2009 through 2013.

In an effort to prevent or reduce these types of accidents, Florida’s Department of Transportation will install solar-powered, flashing signs to warn wrong-way drivers and also alert authorities to their presence. The signs will be installed this summer at 10 ramps on the Homestead Extension of Florida’s Turnpike and five ramps on the Sawgrass Expressway. The signs use radar and cameras to send images and location information about drivers traveling in the wrong direction to the state’s traffic management system and the Florida Highway Patrol’s Command Center.

This pilot program, used successfully in other states, will run two years. ■

Vehicle Recall Word Search



Circle-Word Word List

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|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Accidents | Complaints | Consumer |
| Crash | Deaths | Defects |
| Injury | Investigations | Manufacturer |
| NHTSA | Recalls | Replacements |
| Safety | Vehicles | Warnings |

And The Answer is?

On average, how many children die in hot cars each year from heat-related deaths?

- 4
- 15
- 38
- 52



*See bottom of page 5 for answer.

Supporting Our Community

Leading the Charge Against Blood Cancers

Attorney Jason Guari is the incoming Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – Palm Beach Area Chapter and will serve a two (2) year term.

- LLS exists to find cures and ensures access to the best available treatments for all blood cancer patients.
- Last year alone, LLS invested approximately \$70 million in cutting-edge research.
- For more than 60 years, LLS has invested nearly \$1 billion to advance cancer therapies and save lives. ■



Curing Juvenile Diabetes

Murray & Guari were proud sponsors of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's (JDRF) Casino Night and Auction. JDRF is the worldwide leader for research to cure type 1 diabetes, and is the largest charitable funder and advocate of diabetes science worldwide. ■

New Child Safety Seat Law

Did you know that Florida has the weakest child passenger safety law in the country? Legislators have tried for fourteen years to get a new law in place and the latest law now awaits the Governor's signature.

The new Florida law (HB 225) requires children in motor vehicles to be restrained in federally approved car seats through the age of 5, up from the current state requirement of age 3. No longer will children up to 5 be allowed to be restrained using a seat belt. They will have to be restrained using booster seats. The law, which is awaiting the Governor's final approval, would go into effect January 1, 2015.

If you have additional questions regarding child safety seats visit our website at www.murrayguari.com/Child_Seat_Safety. ■



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Nosotros, tanto como usted, llamamos el Sur de Florida nuestro hogar. Practicamos la ley de lesiones personal en todas partes de la Florida y estamos orgullosos de ofrecer nuestros servicios en los condados de Palm Beach, Broward, Martin, y Treasure Coast. Tenemos más de 30 años de experiencia legal combinada. Le ofrecemos a los clientes el mejor servicio de 'una firma grande de abogados' en manos de, 'el estudio "boutique" de abogados'. Si usted tiene un caso de lesiones personal, llámenos al (561) 366-9099 o póngase en contacto con nosotros en el Internet en www.murrayguari.com. Estamos encantados a responder a sus preguntas. ■



Meet Paralegal Legal Assistant Xiomara Benegas

Xiomara joined the firm in 2013. She is a legal assistant for the pre-litigation department supporting the senior paralegal and the firm's attorneys. She is bilingual –English/ Spanish and helps assist our Spanish-speaking clients. Xiomara's attention to detail greatly assists our clients. ■

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you will find a team that is **truly concerned about your well-being and getting justice**. We are proud that our clients come to us based on a personal recommendation from past clients and from other attorneys in the community who respect our reputation and the quality of our work. We would be honored to put our experience, skill and integrity to work for you. ■



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