The National Fire Prevention Association observes October as fire prevention month and an important time to look at preventing fires both at work and at home. Here are some safety tips for fire prevention and protection.

Smoke Alarms:

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area on every level of your home. If possible, interconnect them so when one sounds, they all sound.
- Test smoke alarms once a month by touching the test button.
- Replace smoke alarms every 10 years.
- When the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out.

Electrical:

- Keep lamps, light fixtures and light bulbs away from anything that can burn such as paper, trash, rags and clothing.
- Replace cracked and damaged electrical cords.
- Use extension cords for temporary wiring only.
- Consider having additional circuits or receptacles added by a qualified electrician.
- Call a qualified electrician if you have recurring problems with tripping circuit breakers, discolored or warm wall outlets, flickering lights or a burning or rubbery smell coming from an appliance.

For guidance information and company policy, please reference the Dee Cramer Fire Protection Program, located in the Safety Manual section on the Dee Cramer Safety App.

