

Fund Razor



■ **Get your head shaved and raise money as part of St. Baldrick's fight against childhood cancer.**

FIRE DEPT., POLICE DEPT. — On St. Patrick's Day, Los Angeles City Fire and Police personnel will be participating in their third annual combined St. Baldrick's event. Participants, or "shavees" as they are known, will be collect-

ing pledges from friends and family in exchange for shaving their heads. The bald heads signify solidarity with child victims of cancer, who often lose their hair while undergoing treatment. All money raised goes to the St. Baldrick's Foundation and is distributed to doctors and other researchers on the front lines of the war on childhood cancer.

Participants and helpers are needed to staff this event. If you are able to help, please contact Sgt. Greg Doyle at Valley Communications. If you would like to be a shavee, you can sign up at www.stbaldricks.org.

- Who:** LAPD and LAFD Personnel
 - What:** Fundraiser for Childhood Cancer Research
 - When:** Friday, March 17, from 8 a.m. to noon
 - Where:** LAFD Fire Station 89, 7063 Laurel Canyon Blvd., North Hollywood
 - Why:** Raising money to fight childhood cancer
 - How:** Sign up or donate at www.stbaldricks.org. Click on "Find an Event," and locate Los Angeles, Fire Station 89.
- For more information, contact Sgt. Greg Doyle, (818) 778-4752, or LAFD Cptn. Waldie Brangham at (818) 756-8689.



Fire Marshal Jimmy Hill

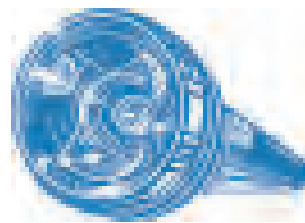
Winter Indoor Safety Tips

■ **Fire Dept. offers these suggestions for staying safe this winter.**

By LAFD Fire Marshal Jimmy Hill

FIRE DEPT. — As the weather gets cooler, we need to think about indoor safety. Every year, we hear about people being overcome by carbon monoxide poisoning. I'd like to share some important safety information and tips so you do not become the next victim.

- When using candles, use caution and keep candles away from combustible materials.
- If you leave the room or go to sleep, extinguish all candles.
- Put candles on a sturdy base that will not burn or tip over.
- In case of power outages, have flashlights available. Do not use candles.



- Make sure your furnace is working properly. If you smell gas, call 9-1-1.
- Make sure to change filters regularly. If you have any repairs done, make sure they are done by qualified/licensed technicians.
- Keep space heaters at least three feet away from combustibles. In many cities, kerosene heaters are illegal to use.
- Do not use a hibachi, barbecue or camp stove indoors for heating or cooking.
- Never use your oven as a heating source.
- Carbon monoxide is colorless and odorless.
- When warming your vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately.
- Have a carbon monoxide detector. Check the battery monthly.
- If you have any of the following symptoms, you may have carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, mental confusion or flu-like symptoms. Call 9-1-1.
- Have your chimney checked by a professional, and have it cleaned regularly.
- Make sure your fireplace flue is in the open position when using the fireplace.
- Always use a fireplace screen when the fireplace is in use.
- Allow all ashes to cool down before disposing. Dispose into a metal container with a tight-fitting lid.
- All chimneys should have spark arrestors.
- Never burn trees or newspapers in the fireplace.
- Have a working smoke alarm. Check the battery monthly.

Upon request, the LAFD will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure access to programs, services and facilities.

For more information, contact your local fire station, or go to www.lafd.org.




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