

**LINCOLN FIRE AND RESCUE**

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**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IS OCTOBER 6 THROUGH 12**

Lincoln Fire and Rescue (LF&R) invites the public to participate in activities planned in conjunction with "Fire Prevention Week" October 6 through 12. The theme this year is "Prevent Kitchen Fire!"

Fire Chief John Huff and Chief Fire Inspector Bill Moody, will recognize and read the City of Lincoln proclamation signed by Mayor Beutler for "Fire Prevention Week", on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the LPD media briefing.

Two events are planned:

- Fire Chief John Huff announced that this year's winner of the "Learn Not To Burn" poster contest is "Caiya Khammalay" an 8 year old student from Adams Elementary School, which is located at 7401 Jacobs Creek Drive, Lincoln, NE. Chief Huff will be presenting the 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbon and poster to Caiya on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:10 a.m. in the school's gym area. All fourth grade classmates will be present. This coincides with Fire Prevention Week which is October 6-12. The winning poster will be on display at the City County building for the next two weeks, and also on Lincoln Fire & Rescue's website at, <http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/fire>.

All media are invited to attend.

- LF&R urges Lincoln families to participate in an all-city fire drill at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2013. Fire companies across the city will be stationed in front of fire stations sounding their air horns as a call for all residents to test their smoke alarms and practice their fire escape plans.

Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire in 1871 that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres.

In addition to the City website, more information on Fire Prevention Week can be found by visiting the NFPA website at [www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org).