



## **Summer Safety Tip** **Accident-Free Grilling**

*Fire tragedy can strike in just a flash. So keep these safety tips in mind when grilling....*

- **Keep your grill clean and free of grease buildups. Grease can catch fire and the flames can erupt surprisingly high.**
- **For gas grills, clean the venturi tubes regularly. Blockages make the grill hard to start or force the gas to find somewhere else to go.**
- **Never start a gas grill with the lid closed. The gas may accumulate inside and blow the lid off--rather dramatically.**
- **Don't lean over the top of a grill or wear loose clothes. Sudden flare-ups--especially when lighting the grill--could burn your face directly and set your clothes on fire.**
- **NEVER use a flammable liquid other than grill starter fluid to start your grill or smoker. And place the lighter fluid container well away from the grill before attempting to light it.**
- **It is a good idea to have a multipurpose fire extinguisher next to your grill.**
- **ALWAYS shut off the valve to propane tanks when not in use. Keep children and pets at a safe distance...period.**
- **Wear an insulated fire retardant mitt and use long-handled tools designed for grilling.**