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Mrs. Betty Brown, Editor
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Dear Mrs. Brown:

The Las Vegas Fire Department's Fire Safety and Home Survey Program has less than five months remaining in the current program year. We are very pleased to announce that we have surpassed our original goal of doing 300 surveys by some 400.

It is our general belief that our success could not have been achieved without the coverage we received from your news staff.

The public has responded to the information they received through the news media. The coverage we received has put the public at ease somewhat, they are now aware of our presence in the community, consequently they have opened their doors to the Senior Fire Aides of the Las Vegas Fire Department.

Thankfully yours,

David L. Washington
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POISON PRECAUTIONS

Each year about 700,000 accidental poisonings occur in the U.S. — 2,500 of them result in death and nearly 250,000 in disabling injuries. Even more frightening are the facts that 80% of these poisonings happen in the home and the largest percentage of victims are children under the age of five.

Fortunately, many of the products most frequently ingested by curious toddlers (soaps, detergents, toilet water, fingernail polish, cold and cough remedies) are not harmful unless taken in massive doses and rarely cause more than a few tears and an upset stomach.

Nevertheless, whenever a potentially hazardous product is involved, always proceed as if it is indeed poisonous. Call your doctor, hospital, or nearest poison-control center immediately. (Time is by far the most important factor in any poison situation.) Keep these numbers by the phone along with those of the police and fire dept. Note: Most potentially harmful products list the proper antidotes on the label.

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