
AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION – JUNE 2015

Your Safe Kids July Newsletter

Dear Supporter,

This is the time when many families are celebrating a huge milestone: Graduation.

This year, Ally, my third and youngest child, graduated from high school. It marked the end of 25 years of at least one of my children attending the Maret School in Washington, D.C. (They're all together in picture on right.)

At Ally's ceremony, Jan Crawford, the dynamic commencement speaker, shared two memorable quotes. The first, a rather famous one from Winston Churchill: "Never give in. Never give in. Never, never, never, never—in nothing, great or small, large or petty—never give in, except to convictions of honour and good sense."

The second quote was from Jan's father, a southern farmer: "Keep your hand on the plow and your eyes to the stars." Jan, a well-respected journalist and expert on the Supreme Court, grew up in small town Alabama.

It was great advice for Ally and all graduates starting a new chapter in their lives.

Now it's your turn. Please [send me](#) your best advice for a new high school graduate. We'll print the best one in next month's An Ounce of Prevention.

Kate Carr
President, CEO, Mom
Safe Kids Worldwide



NEW THIS MONTH

Five Facts to Make Your Home Safer

Did you know that working smoke alarms can increase your chances of surviving a home fire by 50 percent? Sometimes just a little fact can make a big difference. In honor of home safety month, here are [five facts](#) that will help you make your home safer.



Sink or Swim

Kendall Reed went 22 years without knowing how to swim. [Read](#) why he thinks that's long enough.



A Bright Idea of the 4th of July

We know, fireworks are fun and young kids look adorable holding those sparklers. But this is the time of year when there is a significant increase in the amount of injuries and fires due to the use of fireworks. This year, leave the fireworks to the professionals. It's the best way to enjoy the show and stay safe at the same time. [Here are a few more fireworks tips.](#)



HIX PIX

Five Father's Day Tips from a Five Year Old

Each month our video director, Kris Hixson, picks a video that's an absolute must-see.

"I love [Five Tips from a Five Year Old](#) because it shows what Father's Day is all about – the genuine connection between father and son." — Kris Hixson



SAFE KIDS AROUND THE WORLD

Video from Israel Shows Inside of Car Hot Enough to Cook Pizza

The inside of cars can heat up to dangerous levels in a short amount of time. Our partners at Beterem – Safe Kids Israel created [this video](#) as part of their campaign to prevent heatstroke and to remind parents to never leave a young child alone in a car.



SUPPORT SAFE KIDS

Run in the Marine Corps Marathon in D.C. on October 25, 2015

Have you ever dreamed of finishing the Marine Corps Marathon? Here's your opportunity to give it a try and to support a great cause. [Join Team Safe Kids](#) as we run to keep kids safe and injury free.



IT'S OUR POLICY

Getting the Job Done on Child Safety Policy

Safe Kids has some good news to report. At a time when many legislative efforts end in a stalemate, state legislatures have passed several important bills since the beginning of 2015. In Oklahoma, our Katie Mueller was part of a [successful effort](#) to make sure kids are buckled up in the right seat for every ride. Read about other legislative success stories in Illinois ([sports safety](#)), New Jersey ([child passenger safety](#)), and Kentucky ([also CPS](#)).

