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Attorney General Bill Schuette's Senior Brigade

National SAFETY Month 2014

Injuries are a leading cause of disability for people of all ages – and they are the leading cause of death for Americans ages 1 to 44.

The good news is everyone can get involved to help prevent injuries.

This June, we encourage you to learn more about important safety issues like prescription drug abuse, distracted driving, and slips, trips, and falls.

- **PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE:**

Prescription painkiller overdoses are a growing problem in the United States, especially among women. About 18 women die every day from a prescription painkiller overdose - more than four times as many as in 1999.

- **DISTRACTED DRIVING:**

Doing other activities while driving - like texting or eating - increases your chance of crashing. Almost 1 in 5 crashes (18%) that injured someone involved distracted driving.

- **SLIPS, TRIPS, AND FALLS:**

1 in 3 older adults falls each year. Many falls lead to broken bones and other health problems.

You can make a difference!

Find out ways to help reduce the risk of these safety issues by learning more about prescription drug abuse, senior safety resources, and distracted driving.

Source: healthfinder.gov

MI REPRESENTATIVES & SENATORS

Both the Michigan House of Representatives and State Senate provide a quick and easy online search. Searches are available by address or an interactive map.

Click here to find a representative or click here to find a senator.

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MOBILE APPS & YOU

If you have a smart phone, you use it for numerous activities. In order to use these features, you first need the mobile app.

Mobile apps make life on the go more convenient. However, how many times have you considered what personal information is collected and redistributed?

While some apps only access the data needed to run the app, others access data unrelated to the app's functionality.

What type of data can apps access?

1. Your phone and email contacts;
2. Call logs;
3. Calendar, geo-locating, and Internet data;
4. Device's unique ID; and
5. How you use the app.

Before you download an app, consider what the app does and who created it. The app stores may include information about the developer. Or, if you are an Android user, read the reviews and permissions prior to the download.

Additional information on how to understand mobile apps is available at OnGuardOnline.gov.

Source: Federal Trade Commission

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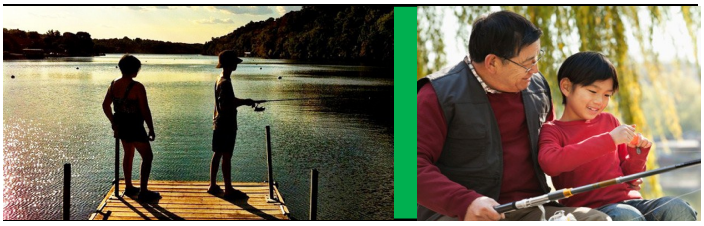
NEW DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR VETERANS

Beginning May 1, Michigan veterans can display their proof of service right on their driver's license.

Click here to learn more.



FREE FISHING WEEKEND JUNE 7-8, 2014

You can fish for Free on June 7th and 8th! On these two days, all Michigan fishing license fees are waived.

Michigan residents and out-of-state visitors are encouraged to spend the weekend making memories with family and friends.

Click here to learn more.