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# Ground Floor Newsletter

Greetings from Ground Floor Home Inspection. We want to wish everyone a safe, happy, and warm Thanksgiving. We're ready for snow! Many families traditionally set up their Christmas tree the day after Thanksgiving. Our team concentrates on keeping families safe during all seasons. With that in mind, we'd like to tell you about some safety tips when you set up your Christmas tree this year. Happy Thanksgiving!

- Fresh trees are less likely to catch fire, so look for a tree with vibrant green needles that are hard to pluck and don't break easily from its branches. The tree shouldn't be shedding its needles readily.
- Always place your tree away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights, and keep the tree base filled with water to avoid a dry out.
- Make sure all your indoor and outdoor Christmas lights have been tested in a lab by the UL or ETL/ITSNA for safety, and throw out any damaged lights.
- Any lights you use outdoors must be labeled suitable for exterior placement, and be sure to plug them into a ground-fault circuit interrupter protected receptacle.
- Keep all your holiday candles away from your Christmas tree, surrounding furniture and décor.
- Bedtime means lights off! Don't forget to turn your Christmas tree lights off each night.

### This Easy Recipe For Real Cranberry Sauce is Much Better than the Canned Stuff!

### You will need:

- 1 bag fresh whole cranberries
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 cup water
- Optional- one cinnamon stick

#### Directions:

- 1) Rinse the cranberries
- 2) Combine the sugar and water in a medium sized sauce pan.
- 3) Bring to a boil and add the cranberries (and cinnamon stick if you like). Return to boil.
- 4) Reduce heat and continue to boil for ten minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 5) Remove from heat and let it cool to gel. Remove cinnamon.



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