

It's all fun and games...

"It all fun and games until someone pokes an eye out." Around the holidays the product pictured below popped up in many Facebook newsfeeds. Some adults may take this prank gift as a joke, but each year we see people of all ages injured and killed using flammable gas on fires.

In September of 2017, Arionna Matteson of Menahga, MN was injured when her ten-year-old brother poured gasoline on a campfire. She was left with third-degree burns on 75 percent of her body. In December she was finally able to move out of the burn unit but continues to receive care for her burn injuries. Prior to the incident, her mom had talked to her and her siblings many times about the dangers of fire and to never put any type of accelerant on the fire. You can read more about the story of Arionna on the [Fox 9 website](#).

Of course, we see across the state of Minnesota that it isn't just the kids that are using flammable liquids on fires. Spring will arrive soon, and with it an increased number of people having campfires. Consider putting together a campaign for spring on the hazards of recreational fires.

