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Mississippians love the great outdoors, and what's not to love? We live in a state with an abundance of great parks, forests to explore, rivers to navigate, lakes to fish in, beaches to lay on, and natural wonders to enjoy that make ours one of the most beautiful states in the nation. There are so many ways to explore and enjoy the natural beauty of our state - on foot, by bicycle, motorcycle, boat, and by hunting, camping, fishing or vacationing on the Gulf Coast. What many do not realize is that insurance plays a big part in how you can safely spend quality outdoor time in Mississippi. This issue of Insurance Matters serves as a guide and offers tips and suggestions of the best and safest ways to enjoy the Mississippi outdoors during the summer and coming fall months.

### AT HOME



This is the time of year for outdoor family activities like grilling and fun in and around the pool. Some choose to spend this time of year with do-it-yourself or home renovation projects. However you choose to spend your outdoor time, take care to plan carefully and be safety conscious. For home D-I-Y activities, it's not just the materials and floor plans you need to consider, but also the insurance ramifications of making improvements to your home and the coverage you'll need for not only the materials, but also any workmen you hire for the job. Here are some things you need to consider before you start that next project or fire up the grill for a family pool party.

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### TRANSPORTATION



There are so many ways Mississippians choose to explore the great outdoors of our state, whether it's just a day or weekend trip or a week-long trip to the shore. This time of year the roads and trails of Mississippi are filled with people on bicycles, motorcycles, or in boats. Each of these transportation methods carries their own insurance do's and don'ts. Read more about the way to travel around Mississippi with confidence that your mode of transportation is covered.

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### HUNTING / CAMPING



There is an abundance of hunters and

### VACATIONING



There is so much more to a vacation

campers in our state, and as any good outdoorsman will tell you, the key to a successful hunting or camping trip is preparation. Licenses, ammunition, weapons, and camping equipment are just some of the things you need to have in order before venturing into the Mississippi woods. There are several insurance and safety issues you need to consider as well.

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than just getting in the car and going. People often forget many of the details it takes when planning a vacation. This section of the newsletter offers tips and methods so people going on a trip know how to protect their home in their absence, make sure they're covered if there's an accident while they're traveling or enjoying time away from home, and last but not least, taking steps to protect their investment in the event their trip is cancelled. Read more about enjoying vacation in the great outdoors here.

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