



North Stormont Fire Department

North Stormont Township to Hold Open House

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Berwick, Ontario – North Stormont Fire Services will hold an Open House at Station 1 (Finch) on April 27, 2019 from 11 am to 3 pm. Chief Dan Gauvin and North Stormont firefighters will be present to greet members of the public; hot dogs will be served for lunch.

Mayor Jim Wert stated, *"This free public event is aimed at raising public awareness and fire prevention, to meet local firefighters, check out fire trucks and equipment, and ask questions about smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, home escape plans, and any other fire-related concern."*

Chief Gauvin said, *"Open houses give families and businesses the chance to meet their local firefighters and tour the station that serves their homes and properties."*

At 11:30 a.m., mascot Sparky and his good friend Marshall from Paw Patrol will be helping Chief Gauvin, Deputy Chief Hoar, Senior Captain Tait and Fire Prevention Officer Gauthier introduce;

- Autism & Special Needs Fire Prevention and Response Awareness.

It is our goal to equip our firefighters to respond with the greatest level of support and dignity when they encounter an opportunity to help someone with Autism or special needs. We want to understand challenges faced by families and how that impacts their interactions with first responders. We are committed to help families prepare for emergencies and potential interactions with firefighters.

Upon request, FPO Gauthier will be available to schedule one-on-one time with Sparky and Marshall to facilitate a positive interaction.

Prizes will be drawn at the end of the day. We look forward to seeing you and sharing being part of *A Family Protecting A Bigger Family* within our community.

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