



## **“Don’t wait, check the date!” theme of annual Fire Prevention Week**

### **Central York Fire Services to host annual Open House celebrating Fire Prevention Week**

**NEWMARKET, Ontario, September 28, 2016** – Central York Fire Services (CYFS) invites residents and friends of Newmarket to attend the [annual Open House](#) in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week (**October 9 to 15, 2016**). This year’s theme for [Fire Prevention Week](#) is “Don’t wait, check the date!” and emphasizes the importance that smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years. To find out how old a smoke alarm is, look at the manufacture date on the back of the alarm; the alarm should be replaced every 10 years from that date.

**What:** Visitors will be treated to morning coffee and an afternoon barbeque, as well as fire safety games and information, vehicle rescue demonstrations, rides on the Tim Hortons Express Train (owned and operated by the Town of Newmarket), fire truck tours, arts and crafts, an appearance by “Sparky the fire dog,” and much more!

**When/Where:** **Saturday, October 1, 2016, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at CYFS Fire Station 4-1 (984 Gorham Street, Newmarket).

***Great Photo Opportunity!***

**Who:**

- Central York Fire Services firefighters and fire prevention inspectors.
- Members of Newmarket Council
- Residents and visitors to Newmarket

#### **Background:**

Established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, Fire Prevention Week is a one-week public information blitz that focuses on public education and fire safety. Last year’s Fire Prevention Week theme was “*Hear the beep where you sleep,*” which ensured residents [Stay Fire Smart](#) by having a working smoke alarm on every storey of their home and outside all sleeping areas.

Donations will be accepted at the Open Houses, with all proceeds directed to the [Hawkins-Gignac Foundation](#).

For the latest information on Fire Prevention Week, please visit [www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org). Information can also be found at [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org) and [www.sparky.org](http://www.sparky.org).

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