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Fire station sets annual open house for October 3

LITTLE ELM (September 10, 2015) The annual opportunity for Little Elm residents to gain a greater understanding of how the Town's Fire Department undertakes its mission is set for Saturday, Oct. 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., says Assistant Fire Chief Brian Roach.

"On October 3 we will open our doors and welcome residents into the Central Fire Station," he said. "During that time we plan to demonstrate many of the ways in which we go about doing our work. It's always as much fun for us as it is for the residents who come join us."

The Central Fire Station is located in the Municipal Complex, 88 West Eldorado Parkway. Parking is available in the Town Hall and Public Library lots. The festivities begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. Hot dogs and drinks will be served to visitors while supplies last.

In addition to self-guided tours of the fire house, Little Elm firefighters and paramedics will be available to act as tour guides, answering questions and demonstrating procedures. Firefighting apparatus will be prominently displayed and operators will be on hand to provide details on the proper techniques for their use.

Bounce houses, face painters, balloon artist, and health and safety exhibits from area hospitals, will all add to the day's activities. There is no charge for the event and families are encouraged to attend together as there will be activities as well as educational and informational exhibits of interest to all ages.

In addition, the Carter Blood Center will be on hand to accept blood donations. Donors can schedule their blood draw by visiting https://ww2.greatpartners.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/58011.

"As firefighters, we are always pleased to have guests," he said. "But during the annual open house, the entire department gets involved. It's a pleasure to host the residents and answer their questions."

At 11:30 a.m., a vehicle extrication demonstration will be conducted. The demonstration has become a favorite of visitors as it shows a real-life scenario of a life-saving activity with the comfort of knowing that no one is in real danger.

A full list of activities and the confirmed medical facilities planning on either presenting or participating can be found at www.littleelm.org/fireoh.

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ABOUT LITTLE ELM – Little Elm is one of the state's fastest growing communities. Nestled on the shores of Lake Lewisville, the Town was incorporated in 1966, adopting the Council/Manager form of government. The population increased dramatically over the last several years, growing from under 4,000 in 2000 to over 30,000 today. Little Elm's population exceeds the state average in education and income, and is increasingly trending younger and technologically proficient. The Town's footprint is just over 21 square miles and boasts some 66 linear miles of shoreline within its boundaries.