



# DARIEN-WOODRIDGE

Fire Protection District

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016

#### **What: Open House**

**When: Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.**

**Where: Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District Headquarters  
7550 Lyman Avenue, Darien IL**

The Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District will be welcoming the public to its annual Open House held in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week. The theme for this year's Fire Prevention Week is "Don't wait, check the date" in order to educate the public to the need to replace their smoke detectors every ten years.

Activities planned include: apparatus displays, firehouse tours, vehicle extrication demonstration with the "Jaws of Life", Technical Rescue rappelling demonstration, "Live Fire" demonstration of residential sprinkler system, numerous interactive children's activities including a mini "Combat Challenge" and returning by popular request, the Firefighter Fashion Show.

In addition, with weather and call volume permitting, a medevac helicopter from Superior Air Ambulance is scheduled to land at the Station at 11:00 a.m.

Finally, it is our sincere hope that "Shami", a golden retriever "comfort service dog" will return. She has been a staple of our Open House for some time now but was recently diagnosed with terminal cancer, so her appearance will be dependent on how she feels. Shami (picture attached) has traveled around the country to many incidents of mass violence and devastation to provide children, responders and other civilians a calming presence. Her instincts in identifying those most in need and going directly to them are uncanny. She can be followed on Facebook at her own page "Shami Comfort Dog".

Please see the attached flyer for additional information.



Shami the Comfort Dog at the 2013 Darien-Woodridge Fire District Open House.



**Darien-Woodridge  
FPD  
OPEN HOUSE  
October 8, 2016  
10 am- 1 pm**

**NEW!!!**

**FF Photo Booth**

**DON'T MISS ...**

**Famous Fire Fighter Fashion Show  
Vehicle Extrication  
And a Live Burn!!**

**FOR THE JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS ...**

- \* *Fun giveaways*
  - \* *Make your own button*
  - \* *Pumpkins*
- ... And MORE!!!*



**Spread the word about  
smoke alarm safety  
with this year's theme ...**



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Protection District  
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