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Get Loud! and “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™”

Fire Chief challenges residents to test smoke and carbon monoxide alarms as part of Fire Prevention Week

Georgina, ON – Fire Prevention Week runs from Oct. 3 to 9, and Georgina Fire and Rescue Services is urging everyone in Georgina to Get Loud! and “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™.”

“Knowing the different sounds your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms make can save you, your loved ones and your home,” said Fire Chief Ron Jenkins. “Get loud by testing your alarms every month to learn the sound they make and to ensure the batteries work. Take immediate action if your smoke or carbon monoxide alarms sound. If the alarms beep in an emergency, get everyone out of the home. If your alarms chirp, replace the batteries or alarms immediately.”

By law, every home in Ontario must have a working smoke alarm on every storey and outside all sleeping areas. However, too often fatal fires in Ontario occur in homes where there were no working smoke alarms.

Do you know what your smoke alarm is telling you with those beeps? Chief Jenkins is challenging residents to “Get Loud!” and push the test button on smoke and carbon monoxide alarms every month to learn the sound alarms make.

Testing alarms produces a beep, the sound of alarms in an emergency. Replace the batteries if the alarms do not sound when the test button is pushed. If the alarms still don’t sound, replace the alarms.

Testing your alarms is the only way to ensure they are working, and that you and your family can be alerted in the event of a fire.

Georgina Fire and Rescue Services is organizing a variety of events during Fire Prevention Week including a radio contest on 93.7 K-Country as well as a scavenger hunt. Visit georgina.ca/fire for more information.

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