



Township of Guelph/Eramosa Fire Department

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OPEN HOUSE AND BBQ

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2013
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

The Guelph/Eramosa Fire Department in Rockwood will be hosting its annual Open House and BBQ for all residents to promote this year's theme, "**PREVENT KITCHEN FIRES!**" during Fire Prevention Week.

This year's campaign takes aim at the #1 cause of home fires and fire injuries in Ontario. More Home fires start in the kitchen than anywhere else. In 2011, cooking was involved in an estimated 156,300 home fires that caused more than 470 deaths, 5,390 injuries and \$1 billion in property damage in North America. These numbers could be greatly reduced if everyone paid more attention when they cooked and practised simple fire safety behaviours.

Come out to the Fire Hall with the family and say "Hi" to Sparky the Fire Dog, meet your local Firefighters, tour the Fire Safety Trailer and participate in a Fire Extinguisher demonstration.

Enjoy a BBQ lunch between 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and fill in your passport to enter a draw for prizes.

The Guelph/Eramosa Fire Department recommends you follow the recipe for Fire Safety and stop kitchen fires before they start!

Unattended cooking is the leading cause of kitchen fires. Keep an eye on what you fry.

- Stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling or broiling food.
- Keep kids and pets at least 1 metre (3 feet) away from the stove.

Stay alert to avoid stirring up trouble in the kitchen.

- Don't use the oven or stovetop if you are sleepy, have consumed alcohol or are using drugs.

Make sure flammable objects aren't near the stove.

- Keep anything that can burn a safe distance away from the stove.

Be ready to react fast to a cooking fire.

- When in doubt, just get out!
- Keep a proper fitting lid near the stove. If a pot catches fire, slide the lid over the pot and turn off the stove.
- For an oven or microwave fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

Equip your home for fire safety.

- Install and test smoke alarms.
- Make and practise a home fire escape plan.

Visit www.fpw.org , www.get.on.ca and www.rockwoodfire.webs.com to get Cookin' with Fire Safety!

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