

# Rochester Fire Department Monthly Media Blast



## October 2018

- **It's October, and that means Fire Prevention Month!** RFD will once again be active in the community, promoting fire safety, education, and awareness. In addition, Oct. 7-13 has been designated Fire Prevention Week, and this year's national theme is "Look. Listen. Learn." The highlight of FPW will be the annual Open Houses, which will be held at all five fire stations on Oct. 8, 9, & 10 from 6-8 p.m. Everyone is welcome to stop by to tour the stations and see the fire engines!



- **Taking It To The Schools:** As part of Fire Prevention Month, RFD is embarking on an ambitious new fire education initiative that will allow us to take our message directly into the public schools. RFD crews will be visiting about 1,350 2<sup>nd</sup>-graders in the classroom this month to provide valuable fire safety information and take-home packets to the students. If interested in covering one of our crews at one of these education sessions, email us at the address below.
- **New Ladder Truck:** RFD is excited to be taking delivery of a new ladder truck this month. The new truck will be housed at Station 1 and will replace the old Truck 12, which has been in service since 1999. The new truck will include a 107-foot aerial ladder, and will be one of two front-line ladder trucks in the city. (The other is Truck 42, housed at Station 4). The old Truck 12 will be



placed in reserve status. If you would like to view the new Truck 12 on its arrival, please let us know and we will arrange it.

## **Training Calendar**

- **Vehicle Extrication Training: Wed., Oct. 24**  
All RFD crews will train on extricating victims from passenger vehicles, using hydraulic and other tools to gain access to the passenger compartment at accident scenes. Please email us if interested in attending or for more information.



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