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## Farmington Fire Department 150 Years of Fire Service Celebration is July 15

**Farmington, Minn., June 15, 2023** – The 150 Years of Fire Service Celebration is Saturday, July 15 noon to 10:30 p.m., at Fire Station No. 1, 21625 Denmark Ave and the Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th St W.

"We are excited to talk about fire history and celebrate how far fire service has come in 150 years," said Fire Chief Justin Elvestad. Retired and current firefighters alike will be attending to discuss their role in fire history and of course fire safety.

The day starts at Fire Station 1 with an open house at noon with food available for purchase from the Minnesota Fire Engine Club. Activities at the open house include: a dunk tank, fishing in a drop tank for prizes, fire tour displays, facepainting, and a kid obstacle course. At 3 p.m. will be the Farmington Firefighters Relief Association drawing for \$20,000 in cash prizes. A fire truck parade will depart from Boeckman Middle School to the Dakota County Fairgrounds at 4 p.m. The celebration continues at the fairgrounds with food trucks, 50/50 raffle, beer garden and pull tabs starting at 4:30 p.m. Music starts with Mike Poot from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Good for Gary from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. The night will end with a bang and that means fireworks at 10 p.m. Tickets are available for the \$20,000 cash prize raffle from any Farmington firefighter, at Farmington Liquors and Pizza Man Bar & Grill.

Learn more about this celebration and little fire history with the most recent Farmington Feed podcast episode #14 wherever you get your podcasts.

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