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Aurora Regional Fire Museum to Host FREE Eighth Annual Community Hero Day on October 4

Aurora, IL – The Aurora Regional Fire Museum is excited to host the **Eighth Annual Community Hero Day** on **Saturday, October 4**, from **10 AM to 2 PM**. This **free, family-friendly**, event celebrates our community's heroes with engaging activities, demonstrations, and educational opportunities.

Community Hero Day will feature a wide range of attractions including a **touch-a-truck experience**, **fire truck rides**, **live fire department demonstrations**, **free hands-only CPR classes**, **face painting**, and more!

Returning this year! The **Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board** will hold a **live fire demonstration** at **1 PM**. Witness firsthand how quickly fires can spread and learn about the life-saving importance of fire sprinklers.

Event Highlights:

- **Touch-a-Truck:** Explore over a dozen vehicles from local organizations.
- **Fire Truck Rides:** Enjoy free rides courtesy of Mrs. O'Leary's Fire Truck Tours
- **Fire Station Tours:** Tour Aurora's Central Fire Station, offered by the Aurora Fire Department.
- **Hands-Only CPR:** Take a free hands-only CPR class to learn how to save a life in an emergency.
- **Safety Information Booths:** Engage with various community partners.
- **Food Vendors:** Tasty eats available for purchase from Strawberries BBQ
- **Free Museum Admission:** Access the Aurora Regional Fire Museum at no cost.
- **Live DJ:** Enjoy family-friendly music throughout the event.

"This event continues growing year after year and is one of the largest of its kind in the area," said **Brian Failing**, executive director of the Aurora Regional Fire Museum. "What started as a way to celebrate our community heroes has evolved into an annual tradition that brings together our community in support of public safety."

This year's participants include the **Aurora Fire Department**, **Aurora Police Department**, **Aurora EMA**, **Nicor Gas**, **ComEd**, **Kane County Sheriff's Office**, **Dazzo's**, **Metra Police**, **Illinois Tollway**, and **West & Sons Towing**.

Community Hero Day is made possible by the support of our generous sponsors. We extend our deepest thanks to our fire truck ride sponsor, **Denova Detect**, as well as our gold sponsors, **Nicor Gas**, **Comcast**, and **Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board**, for helping us offer this event free of charge to the community.

The **Aurora Regional Fire Museum** preserves the legacy of the fire service by showcasing our regional collections and exhibits while teaching fire safety and prevention. From humble beginnings to the museum you know and love today, we are proud to honor the past, present, and future of the fire service.

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For more information about Community Hero Day or the Museum, contact Brian Failing, Executive Director, at 630-256-4140 or info@auroraregionalfiremuseum.org.