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Local non-profits and “Freddie the Fire Truck” cruise into North Grand Mall

AMES, IA --- Area not-for-profit organizations and fire safety events will share the spotlight Saturday, October 10 at North Grand Mall.

Local charitable, civic and educational groups will staff displays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the shopping center’s semi-annual Community Fair to present information about the good work they do and promote membership. Visitors can meet local clubs, organizations and other non-profit groups and learn how their services benefit the community. The I.S.U. Story County Extension and Fabricators’ Quilters Guild will be among the groups telling their story in displays throughout the mall.

In support of Fire Prevention Week, the Ames Fire Department will host fun, educational activities for children from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Activities include free temporary tattoos, fire hats, brochures and photos with a fire truck. A three-foot miniature red fire truck named “Freddie” will cruise the mall to visit with children. Children can explore fire equipment and an interactive “squirt house” displayed in the northeast parking lot courtesy of local fire departments. Fire fighters will be available to answer questions and explain how equipment saves lives.

The 8th Annual Ames Woodworkers Club exhibition will also take place the weekend of October 10 and 11 at North Grand Mall.

For more information, contact North Grand Mall at 515-232-3679 or visit www.northgrandmall.com.

North Grand Mall, located at 2801 Grand Avenue, is home to JCPenney, North Grand 5 Theatre, Younkers and nearly 50 fine shops and services. North Grand Mall is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

North Grand Mall supports the community with multiple programs throughout the year. Past activities include: Toys for Tots, Holiday Giving Tree and semi-annual Community Fairs.

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