



SPRING LETTER 2017

Dear Mount Lorne Residents,

Spring is upon us and before we all get far too busy, your local Fire Department wants to pass on a few notes for you to consider and be aware of:

- Our department is a volunteer Fire Hall, and we are again in need of new members. If you are interested in a volunteer opportunity, where you get to learn new skills and the operation of specialized equipment and furthering your limits, then please contact us for more information.
- Please have a look at your winter burn piles. Re-ignition can happen on a fire that appears to be out. Give it a stir and ensure it is cold to the touch.
- Wildland Fire Management and the Mount Lorne Volunteer Fire Department are preparing to do a joint controlled burn operation on Annie Lake Road. This operation will see the removal of ground debris and grasses along the south side of the road near the golf course. This operation will potentially happen the second week of May. A public letter will be issued once we have a confirmed date.
- Between April 1 and September 30, you need a valid permit to light an open fire. Burning permits are required for: 1. Burning grass, debris or brush, 2. lighting an open fire for any purpose other than a campfire, or 3. burning on all public and private lands. For a permit contact EMR at 456-3877.
- One very important way to reduce the risk of wildland fire damage to your home is to FireSmart around it. This is the time of the year to do it as Wildland Fire has already been attending calls this week. Visit <http://www.community.gov.yk.ca/firemanagement/firesmart.html> for more info.
- We are looking for derelict building/sheds and old vehicles to train on. If you have a building we can smash and cut up and demolish please let us know.
- If you do have the need to call us don't hesitate. Dial 911 and ask for Mount Lorne Volunteer Fire Department.

We at the firehall (the firefighters and Society board members) hope you have a fun and safe summer.

Questions call our Chief, Colin O'Neill – 335-1762