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FIRE FIGHTERS MAKE A GOOD MEATBALL FOR A GREAT CAUSE

Northglenn/Broomfield, CO—Three off-duty North Metro Fire Rescue fire fighters will compete in the First Annual Great Balls of Fire Meatball Cooking Contest on behalf of the Colorado Make-A-Wish on Thursday, June 25. The three-person team received word that they were finalists yesterday, June 16, 2009 – the three man team work together at Station 63 in Northglenn.

Denver-metro fire departments have submitted their meatball recipes to event organizers and the event host, Maggiano’s Little Italy in the Denver Pavilions. On June 25, the selected finalists will make their recipes and present them to the celebrity judges at Maggiano’s in Denver. The judging period starts at 2 p.m. and is open to the public.

The meatballs will be evaluated on taste, presentation, creativity and “The Story Behind the Meatball.” The winning meatball will be featured on the Maggiano’s menu for one month. Each time the item is ordered \$2 will be donated to Make-A-Wish Colorado.

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“The event should be a great time for a really great cause,” said Wendy Forbes, Public Information Officer at North Metro Fire Rescue District. “Fire fighters are known for their great cooking, so this should be a tough competition.”

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Colorado, Inc. grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Since being founded in 1983, the chapter has granted more than 3,000 wishes to eligible Colorado children. The Colorado chapter is part of the largest wish-granting organization in the world, with 69 chapters in the United States and its territories, along with 27 international affiliates on five continents.

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About North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue is dedicated to your quality care. North Metro Fire Rescue provides fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and rescue services to our community. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 103,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams and Jefferson Counties.