

# Here's What the Experts and Citizens are Saying About *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog*

"Sparkles the Dalmatian has her paw on the pulse of fire safety as she helps teach children how to prevent and escape a house fire." **Michael Tercha, Chicago Tribune webpage**

"Two paws up and a tail wag for *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog!*" **Jenni Glenn, PBS KIDS Sprout**

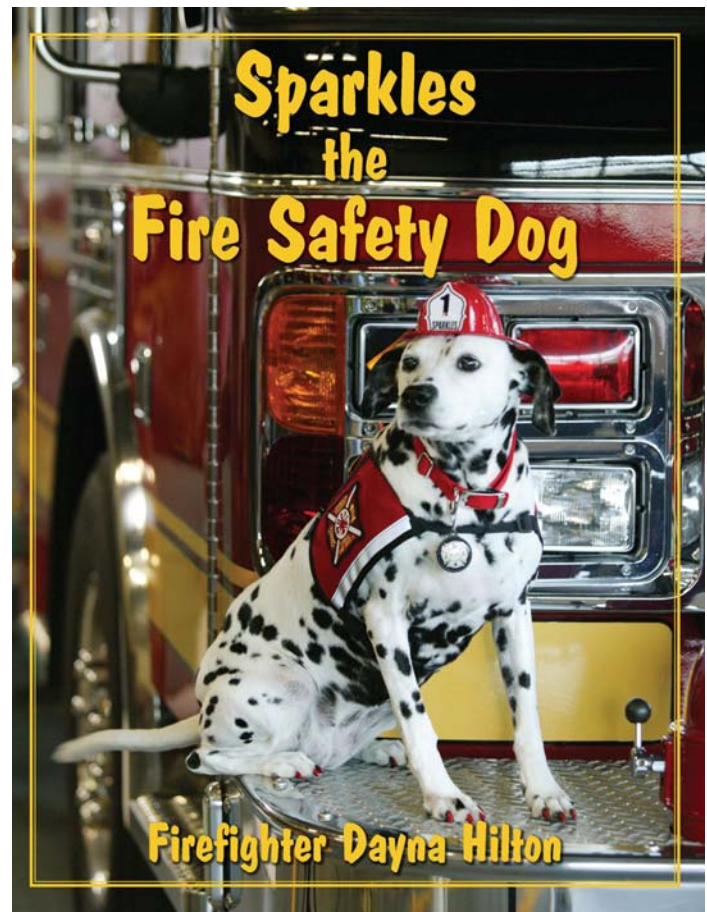
"Dayna Hilton is providing an invaluable service that is as kid safe as it is kid friendly. *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog* is charming on paper or read aloud and an excellent tool in furthering the hugely important crusade of children's fire safety." **Alan Brunacini, Retired Phoenix Fire Chief**

"Children love reading the same books over and over. A fire safety book is one way to provide the repetition needed for young children to master home fire safety messages. Firefighter Dayna, Firefighter Michael, and Sparkles give us a book to enjoy while we learn!"

**Nancy Trench, Oklahoma State University, Fire Protection Publications/IFSTA**

"It's so AWESOME!" **Steven, age 5**

"This book is a great educational tool for the public education officers. Children and elderly are the most vulnerable age groups when it comes to fire. In this book, Sparkles has done great to educate our children" **Azarang (Ozzie) Mirkhah, P.E., EFO, CBO, Fire Protection Engineer, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue**



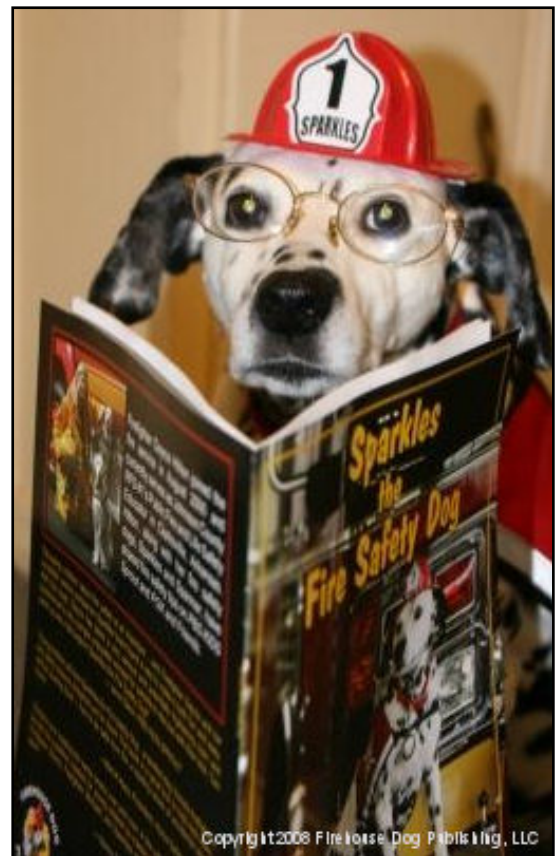
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"I think the book is very well done and will be a significant job aid for fire safety educators of children. It also provides an opportunity for the fire safety educator, school teacher or maybe even the fire chief to read to children. I think this will be a tool that should be in every fire safety educator's tool box." **Division Chief Mike Love, Division of Community Risk Reduction Services, Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service, Rockville, MD**

"I certainly would recommend it for your fire and life-safety education program for primary school children." **Janet Wilmoth, Editorial Director, Fire Chief Publications**

"They [the class] LOVED the book!! They were so impressed with Sparkles, she is all they talked about! They all want a fire dog now!! I think the book looks great!!!! I love the real pictures that really made it believable!!" **Mrs. Kelli Grigsby, Kindergarten Teacher**

"Written by firefighter Dayna Hilton, *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog* is a wonderful, flat-spined children's picture book about the basics of fire safety - as taught with assistance from Sparkles, a friendly female dalmatian. Illustrated with full-color photographs of the real Sparkles and her friends on virtually every page, *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog* tells young readers what to do if they hear the noise from a smoke alarm: "In case of fire, be sure to crawl low under the smoke on your hands and knees. The air is cleaner and cooler there. Get low and go to your outside meeting place." A great way for parents to introduce their children to doing fire drills, especially sure to appeal to young dog lovers." **The Midwest Book Review / Children's Bookwatch (Reviewer's Choice Review)**



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"Instilling fire safety in young children is vitally important. Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog and Firefighters Dayna and Michael make learning these important safety messages fun, and easy to understand so that our children will be able to know what to do in the event of a fire. Congratulations on a wonderful book!" **Heather Schafer, Executive Director, National Volunteer Fire Council**

"In a fun, simple and easily understandable format, Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog presents to children of all ages keen insights on fire safe behaviors certain to be remembered should the need arise. Such could mean all the difference in a safe and healthy life." **Wayne Powell, Fire/Life Safety Specialist, Marriott International**

"Young children will love *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog*...a spotted dog, friendly firefighters, and safety lessons designed just for them! The book is a great tool to help kids learn – without scaring them -- how to be safe from fire, a leading cause of accidental death at home." **Meri-K Appy, President, Home Safety Council**

"I can't wait to share it with my two grandkids!" **Chief Dennis Compton, International Fire Service Training Association**

"My 3 year old daughter loves this book and CD. In a matter of 2 readings, she knows the theme song, what a smoke alarm does, and how to stay low and go like Sparkles! We saw Sparkles and Spanner at FDIC in Indy. What great dogs." **Lesa, a mom and former firefighter-10 yrs**

"Each night that we have read *Sparkles the Fire Safety Dog*, Cole continues to tell ME how HE will get out of the house in case of fire." **Carrie, mother of Cole, age 3**



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