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Ward one councillor Pat Chiochio, chair of the City of Welland's safe communities program, and his daughter Kelsey, 10, learned some fire safety tips from Welland's Fire Prevention officer Tom Nenadovich Tuesday. The Welland fire department's smoke alarm campaign has turned the corner in a campaign of safety for the community which includes safety for children (for example, learning their escape routes in case of fire) and emergency information for babysitters as well as the smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors campaign. For relevant information, the fire department has its website newly active with a children's zone and other information at <http://www.welland.ca/preview/fire/wfire.html>

## *Fire chief issues challenge to safe community partnership chair*

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Pat Chiochio, chair of the Welland Safe Community Partnership, was on the hot seat Tuesday afternoon.

At the request of Fire Chief, Paul Olah, Welland Fire and Emergency Services visited Coun. Chiochio to

see if his home meets their standards.

"The Welland Safe Community Partnership has been working diligently for the last few months to come up with ways to make Welland a safer city," said Tom Nenadovich, fire prevention officer.

"The fire chief felt it was necessary to put forward a friendly challenge to

the chair of the Initiative to see if his home measured up to our standards."

"I'm confident that my home will pass their test," said Chiochio, before Olah arrived. "The annual smoke detector inspection program is an asset to this city, and I look forward to learning other ways to improve safety in our home."