Great Chicago Fire Quiz

1. When did the Great Chicago Fire take place?
   a. October 8, 1971
   b. October 8, 1871
   c. October 8, 1771
   d. October 8, 1671

2. Why was it said that the city of Chicago was ready to burn?
   a. The fire department was away at a convention
   b. Residents stored coal in their homes
   c. Most of the buildings in the city, road and sidewalks were made of wood
   d. There were frequent forest fires

3. Who first saw the fire in the O’Leary’s barn?
   a. Patrick O’Leary
   b. Daniel “Peg Leg” Sullivan
   c. Dennis Rogan
   d. Charles P. Holden

4. How many hours did the fire burn?
   a. 16 hours
   b. 27 hours
   c. 31 hours
   d. 48 hours

5. Why was it uncommon for such on fire in Chicago, October 8, 1871?
   a. It rained all day.
   b. Firefighter were around the block
   c. A steady wind was blowing
   d. Everyone had fire insurance.

6. Which alderman led the council in the effort to exonerate Mrs. O’Leary’s cow?
   a. Alderman Dorothy Tillman
   b. Alderman Ed. Burke
   c. Alderman Edward Vrydolyak
   d. Alderman Bobby Rush

7. What is Katherine O’Leary’s great-great granddaughter’s name?
   a. Jewel Jefferson
   b. Nancy Connolly
   c. Clara Vincent
   d. Lucy Johns