



September 11, 2014

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department

In Memory of Firefighter Placido "Henry" Sanchez, Jr.

Firefighter, Civilian, and Officer of the Year Awards



Master Technician Michael S. Lewis Firefighter of the Year



Beth L. Adams, MA III Civilian of the Year



Captain I Chester E. Waters Officer of the Year



Richard R. Bowers, Jr.

forward the Fairfax Way, to focus on each other and busy! our residents. Please work Fiscal Year 14 together and be and preparing

From The Fire Chief.

't has been crazy busy for the troops and the department these past several months. Everything from ALS, BLS, fire incidents, special operation incidents, and technical rescue challenges including a trench "As we move incident and several Potomac River rescue calls. And yes, we graduated our largest career recruit class ever - 63 recruits graduated on July it is important 25, 2014! Our Training Academy staff - both basic fire and EMS training - did an awesome job turning our taking care of fine tuned recruits out. Wow - crazy

Our dedicated civilian staff have been plugging away closing out

a mentor!" for Fiscal Year

• Be ready, be safe, be fit and 15. The civilian staff just like our field troops are dedicated in their duties and responsibilities!

Their work and efforts in every section of the

Embrace diversity and mentor!

- Train, train, train!
- Work together!
- Community outreach!

single family home and that a FILE OF LIFE is either updated or completed. Tens of thousands of smoke alarms have been installed and FILE OF LIFE forms have been completed by our field personnel. This is absolutely fantastic. We can associate four fire incidents where our personnel installed a battery or smoke alarm in a residence not having a functioning smoke alarm and subsequently there was a fire incident where the occupants were able to safely evacuate because of a working smoke alarm that notified them of the fire. There could have been a different outcome if not

ing smoke alarm in every residential

for the men and women engaging in SIOC and WIOC. Need I say anymore? Great job by everyone!

Another innovative community outreach program was developed by

department is recognized and appreciated.

Our community outreach efforts have been tremendous. The SIOC and WIOC programs have been nothing less than stellar in preventing the 911 call. Our men and women have hit the Fairfax communities every Saturday afternoon and at other times to make sure there is a work-

the stations and crews from Fire Stations 39, 42, 12, and 1. The program is Safety In/On the Potomac or SIOP. As a result of multiple technical rescue incidents in the water and the shorelines of the Potomac our personnel put together a program to educate residents and visitors of the do's and don't's of the Potomac River and its shorelines. The focus again is

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healthy! • Be kind and respectful!

Fire Chief's Expectations

- Execute the basics perfectly!

to prevent the 911 call and they are making a difference!

As we continue our community outreach efforts we will focus on a couple of important initiatives this fall. As part of our SIOC and WIOC efforts, we will be rolling out an aggressive carbon monoxide education and prevention initiative and Community - CPR or C-CPR "hands only" initiative. The carbon monoxide initiative will provide another opportunity to prevent the 911 call by educating our residents about the "silent killer." The primary objectives will be to educate our residents about how to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning including the signs and symptoms of the silent killer. There will be a cache of carbon monoxide detectors available for any resident that may need assistance with one being installed. There will a phone number that residents can contact the Fire and Rescue Department should they need a detector installed. We will install a detector on an "as requested, as needed" basis.

C-CPR hands only CPR will be rolled out with a flash mob at a local business establishment to attract attention, interest, and engage the community. The flash mob demonstration of hands only CPR will be the spring board for demonstrations at each one of our fire stations during our October 2014 open houses! Both of these initiatives



Firefighters from Fire and Rescue 12, Great Falls, conduct Safety In and On the Potomac (SIOP), during the month of August at Great Falls Park, raising awareness of water safety.

are great programs that will prevent the 911 call and save lives!

Community outreach efforts are certainly one of my Fire Chief's Expectations. Taking care of our residents, in particular our most vulnerable older adults and children, are of primary importance. Reducing fire deaths and injuries in general provides for a healthy and well Fairfax County.

Remember to train, train, train! One Department, One Way!

Thank you for the opportunity to be your Fire Chief. I am honored and very proud of this great Fire and Rescue Department. ◆

Respectfully,

Fire Chief Richie Bowers

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Firefighter/Medic Arthur M. Bruck

Firefighter

Jeffrey W. Cockey

Firefighter/Medic

Robert M. Elam

136th Recruit School





Firefighter/Medic

Tory J. Albertson

Firefighter

Rachel A. Blakely

Firefighter

Robert J. Castellanos



Ian A. Antons

Firefighter

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Firefighter

David C. Chang

Firefighter/Medic

Ryan M. Dussia

Firefighter/Medic Matthew D. Arbuckle

Firefighter

Rashad H. Briscoe

Firefighter/Medic

Matthew S. Cislo

Firefighter

Brian A. Edwards

Stefan A. Bachmann



Firefighter/Medic Thomas R. Baldwin



Firefighter/Medic Trevor J. Butler



Firefighter

Joanna M. Balin

Firefighter

Michael J. Cajayon

Firefighter

Kimo I. Desantos

Firefighter/Medic Howard J. Capon

Firefighter Michael E. Bender

















Firefighter Stephen R. Langone



Firefighter

Vincenzo J. Malvoso

Firefighter

Dale G. Shord

Firefighter

Stephen N. Washenko



Firefighter Patrick Montague







Firefighter Benjamin T. Sisson



Firefighter/Medic

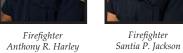
Daniel A. Duarte





Firefighter Austin W. Gum

Firefighter/Medic Brian A. Hallahan



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Firefighter Ruth N. Jara





Firefighter



Firefighter Alexander H. McKenna















Firefighter Robert A. Wealand

Firefighter Tyler W. Weaver











Firefighter/Medic David J. Ford



Firefighter

Elliott R. Foster















Firefighter/Medic Chuk Li



Firefighter Diego F. Ramirez Grast





Firefighter

Jordan M. Linhart





Firefighter Trent T. Thomas

Firefighter Jason Ŕ. Wengel

Firefighter



Firefighter/Medic Adam J. Willemssen



Firefighter

Michael A. Voigt

Firefighter/Medic

Danny J. Lintot

Firefighter

Kyler C. Rodgers

Firefighter Justin P. Williams



Firefighter Michael A. Ly



Firefighter/Medic Phron M. Scranton



Firefighter Ryan M. Warner



Firefighter Marcus S. Woods

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Autumn Leaves Are Upon Us

By Nicole V. Brown, MS, RDN, LD, ACSM-HFS Public Safety Occupational Health Center Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist

The theme of this article is "Autumn Leaves" meaning *leaving* behind the backyard BBQs and lighter summer fare and vacation time when Autumn officially begins September 22. Autumn means temperatures will cool down, the availability of daylight will diminish as we approach November 2, the end of Daylight Savings Time. We'll make less vitamin D due to less exposure to and availability of sunlight. We'll need to figure out the best time to get our fitness in due to changing environmental conditions. My recommendation as we leave behind the spontaneity of the summer months is to get more organized around eating and physical activity as the temperatures cool and evening light diminishes. Just as school aged children get organized about homework and test preparation, we can get better organized around our nutrition and fitness routines or adjust an already consistent routine to the seasonal changes.

From a nutritional perspective, meal planning can help promote a nutrient rich intake, save money, and decrease last minute calls for pizza and Chinese food delivery that can be problematic for those intent upon eating healthfully. For people who are working at weight management, meal and snack planning helps us prevent going more than 3-4 hours without eating. Eating every 3-4 hours helps many people manage their weight as it can reduce incidence of low blood sugar and that "starving" feeling that leads to overeating once we are around food. Those who are in training for a special event such as the Marine Corps Marathon, the Tough Mudder, or International Fire and Police Games, can use meal and snack planning to promote a competitive edge with their competition nutrition.

Some fundamentals around meal and snack planning include IT ONLY TAKES 20 minutes a week to plan meals. With that in mind:

- set aside a specific time to plan once a week
- check the refrigerator, freezer and pantry/ cupboards
- check your calendar for events that influence whether you'll be eating at home, out, or on the run (note to self, be prepared!)
- gather past menus (create a file or binder to be organized), favorite recipes or go-to meals and using sites such as <u>www.eatingwell.com</u>
- script or forecast meals and snacks with pen and paper or use an online tracker such as <u>www.sparkpeople.com</u> or <u>www.myfitness-pal.com</u>.
- create a shopping list based on what you plan for meals and snacks. SparkPeople allows you to then create and print a shopping list from the planned meals and snacks.

All of these efforts can help reduce food waste, increase the chances of eating healthfully, reduce stress related to managing food intake, and return to the pleasure of eating a meal. The point is to examine to what extent the change in seasons will impact your health promotion efforts and make adjustments accordingly. Please email me if you'd like a meal and snack planning template and/or a shopping list template. I am also happy to email some favorite recipes. Two are included below. Note the nutrition facts and cost per serving are included at the end of each recipe. I can be reached at: <u>nutrition.fitness@verizon.net</u>.

Provençale Chicken Supper 4 (6 ounce) chicken breasts 2 teaspoons dried basil 1/8 teaspoon salt 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper 1 cup diced yellow bell pepper 1 (15.5 ounce) can cannellini beans or other white beans, rinsed and drained 1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes with basil, garlic, and oregano, undrained Basil sprigs (optional)

- 1. Place chicken in an electric slow cooker; sprinkle with basil, salt and black pepper. Add bell pepper, beans, and tomatoes.
- 2. Cover and cook on low for 8 hours. Garnish with basil sprigs if desired.

Yield: 4 servings (serving size 1 chicken breast and 1 cup bean mixture) Nutrition Facts per serving: Calories 281; Fat 2.2g (saturated fat 0.6 g); Protein 44.9g; Carb 18.1g; Fiber 4.7g; Chol 99mg; Iron 3.2 mg; Sodium 495 mg; Calcium 86mg Approximate Cost Per Serving: \$2.20

Source: *Cooking Light Slow Cooker Tonight!* ©2012 page 151

Pork and Slaw Sandwiches

1 (3-pound) boneless pork loin roast, trimmed OR 3 lbs boneless, skinless chicken breast 1 cup water 1 ¾ cups barbecue sauce 2 tablespoons brown sugar 1 ½ tablespoons hot sauce ½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper 2 ½ cups packaged cabbage and carrot coleslaw ¼ cup mayonnaise 1 tablespoon white vinegar ¼ teaspoon sugar 1/8 teaspoon salt 15 (2-ounce) whole-wheat hamburger buns

 Place pork (or chicken) and 1 cup water in a 3-to-4-quart electric slow cooker. Cover and cook on LOW for 7 hours or until meat is tender.

- 2. Drain pork (or chicken), discarding cooking liquid. Return pork (or chicken) to slow cooker; shred with 2 forks. Stir in barbecue sauce and next 3 ingredients (through pepper). Cover and cook on LOW for 1 hour.
- 3. Combine coleslaw and next 4 ingredients (through salt) in a bowl; toss well. Place about 1/3 cup meat mixture and about 2 tablespoons slaw on bottom half of each bun; cover with bun tops.

Yield: 15 servings (serving size: 1 sandwich) Nutrition Facts Per Sandwich: Calories: 330; Fat: 8.7g (saturated 2.1 g); Protein: 23.4g; Carb: 38g.1; Fiber: 3.3; Chol: 59mg; Iron: 2.3 mg; Sodium: 565mg; Calcium: 78mg. Nutrition facts very similar if made with pork or boneless skinless chicken breast.

Approximate Cost Per Serving: \$1.35 per sandwich if made with chicken breast; \$1.90 per sandwich if made with pork top loin.

Source: adapted from *Cooking Light Slow Cooker Tonight!* ©2012 page 98



Brother and Sister Act? Technician J.D. Leary, Fire and Rescue Station 11, Penn Daw, and his sister, Firefighter Cathy Leary, Fire and Rescue Station 41, Crosspointe, participate in OAR's recently, both exchanging driving tips while driving ladder trucks.

Career vs. Job: Which One Do You Have?

By Technician Smith T. Banks II Fire and Rescue Station 40, C-Shift

The fire service across the country may vary in staffing, equipment, and training, but there is a common thread amongst us all. I have been blessed to be able to travel to different departments to conduct HAZMAT training, and the conversations and complaints I hear are typically the same. They range from not enough pay, to department needs, and the changes that should be made for what we believe will be a better way.

There are a couple of things that I would like to share with you, the difference between a "job" and a "career." Realize that this is only my opinion and I offer it as a means to show the importance of job performance, regardless of how you view our profession.

First, there are people who would be very willing to take our spot if we were to leave, so we should be grateful for the opportunity to serve in such an honorable and noble profession. This is not to say that there aren't topics worth having a conversation over, such as how we can change the way we do business. However, compared to other departments in both large and small cities across the country, many are fighting bad economies, brown outs, and deteriorating fleets - while trying to maintain citizen support. Our department has been incredibly fortunate in this area. We have a strong economic base that supports our existence, so the thought of closing stations is rarely discussed. If the topic does arise, it's usually short lived. The financial problems our department faces, although real, are not nearly as bleak as it could be. At the very minimum, we should be thankful that our careers are on solid footing.

Secondly, find your niche in this career. I have found that HAZMAT is what I like, and I try to be the best hazardous materials technician that I can be. Again, I have been blessed in that compensation has not been much of an issue or that I had to promote out of what I love doing.

Often when someone takes a promotional exam and gets promoted, they sometimes leave a station or specialty they love. If you have to get promoted because of financial reasons, by all means do so, but be excellent at your craft and specialty. Unlike other occupations, becoming a supervisor can mean that someone's life depends on the decisions you make. This can't be just a job - it has to be a career performed with proficiently and safely; always remembering that you could be leading your crew into harm's way.

Webster's defines a career as "a profession for which one trains and which is undertaken as a permanent calling <a career in medicine> <a career diplo*mat>."* They also define a job as *"the work that a* person does regularly in order to earn money." When comparing definitions, do you consider your employment with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department a job or a career? A job is just as the definition states - you do it because you need to take care of certain responsibilities such as your family, health care, or sending your kids to college. This is not to say that these things don't happen with a career, but the love, deep appreciation, and affection is different. We all appreciate having a job, especially during these economic times. For one to consider it a career means you take full advantage of training opportunities whenever possible, learn as much as you can with a passion and love that is secondto-none.

In no way am I passing judgment on how you view yourself. We all have thoughts on what is best for our families and how best to take care of them, but it is also about whether you enjoy and are fulfilled doing what you do. At some point, we all have spent time sitting in the station and listened to a shift member or someone on detail or callback fuss or complain about the department and wondered to ourselves, "is that person

serious? We have a great job." Again, this is not to be judgmental, but this may be just the difference between loving your career or just having a job.

Now to be perfectly transparent, in this stage of my career, I don't have a desire to travel to every class available for all HAZMAT responders. I still try to learn all that I can through drills and traveling to other departments for various types of training. I also try to stay up on the latest technology and information through trade journals and networking. A big part of my learning comes from those that are a little younger and may have less time in service, and attend classes I'm not able to attend; I pick their brain for the information they bring back. I'm not so naïve to think that I know all there is to know about HAZMAT or that I can't learn anymore, but I do believe that at some point we tend to slow down a bit. We're not slowing down due to a lack of interest, but because we have different things going on at that stage in life. It's also time for the young at heart to take over and take the lead in some areas. As we get older, we may value different things in our lives such as teaching the less experienced or making a difference in a specialty and station where we work. My passion has been in HAZMAT for a long time, but I have never stopped learning the two disciplines we all have as a common function: firefighting and EMS. Yes, I said EMS. Since I have been in the department, EMS has always been the largest part of our response and what keeps us the busiest.

In a job, we generally don't take risks or try something different, fearing that we will be taken out of our comfort zone. Jobs can take care of your family obligations, but how often are people happy enough to want to stay at that job for as long as they possibly can? There are a few things that will drive someone to stay on a job: financial responsibility and security, taking care of family obligations, purchasing the cool, new toys that we've always dreamed about, or buying our dream home where we can raise a family or retire.

In a career, we're constantly learning and we should always take joy in the learning experi-

ence. We should never be too proud to recognize when we don't know something, and we should be willing to learn or improve on those parts connected to our career. In a job, it's easy to become content in what we already know, not caring to expand our knowledge base. When we recognize that there is something we don't know, we sometimes justify it by saying, "I'll never need to use that."

In my opinion here is the difference between a job and career: THE LOVE FOR WHAT YOU DO! No matter what goes on around us, the complaints or the headaches and stresses, it's the love for the career that keeps us doing the job. When we reach the point of retiring from our career, we may find it difficult to leave. Leaving something that we truly love makes us have second thoughts and we may feel there's nothing for us to do as we move on. Leaving just a job will be more of a relief than sadness because the love and passion for what we were doing may not have ever existed.

To finish, my parting shot: anyone can find a job, but not everyone finds a career. Whether this is a job or a career to you, work hard at it and above all, be thankful for the opportunity we were given to provide for our family and ourselves. This will bring enjoyment in whatever category you fall within.



Captain I Greg Lange, Fire and Rescue 24, Woodlawn, is presented a rare 35-year plaque by Battalion Chief John Price prior to his retirement.

Employee Alert Network

By David M. McKernan, Emergency Coordinator Office of Emergency Management Deputy Chief (Retired), Fairfax County Fire and Rescue

There has been some confusion about alerting system enrollment for county employees. The Nation-



al Capital Region has selected Everbridge as the new alerting system vendor. The Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management maintains two alerting systems: one for county employees and one for the public. The Employee Alert Network (EAN), formerly known as the Emergency Alert Network, is the official system for receiving alerts. Those alerts include emergency alerts, Fire and Rescue Department incident notifications, callback requests and more. You can customize your EAN account by choosing from 22 weather alert options, setting quiet periods when you do not want to receive weather alerts and adding up to five addresses for notification. These could include your home, fire station, child's school and more. As an employee of Fairfax County, you only need an account in EAN.

To manage your EAN account, visit <u>www.fair-faxcounty.gov/alerts</u> and select "Employee Alert Network" on the left menu. You can also down-

load the Everbridge Mobile Member app on your Android or iPhone device to manage the account. For technical support, please contact <u>oem-alert-</u> <u>support@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.

This month, during September's National Preparedness Month, make sure your family and



friends are informed during emergencies by inviting them to sign up for Fairfax Alerts at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/alerts</u>. It is the new public system of Everbridge and offers the same profile customization options

as EAN. Fairfax Alerts replaces the Community Emergency Alert Network (CEAN). If you do not live in Fairfax County, visit <u>www.capitalert.gov</u> to find your jurisdiction's alerting system.

From your normal shift schedule to incidents like the derecho, 9/11 and beyond, Fairfax County will depend on you being informed and ready to support our residents. The Office of Emergency Management is proud to work with the Fire and Rescue Department in this endeavor. \clubsuit



Crews from Fire and Rescue Station 40, Fairfax Center, pose with the recent graduates of the third Citizen's Fire and Rescue Academy, May 29, 2014.

"The Fairfax Way, Moving Forward."











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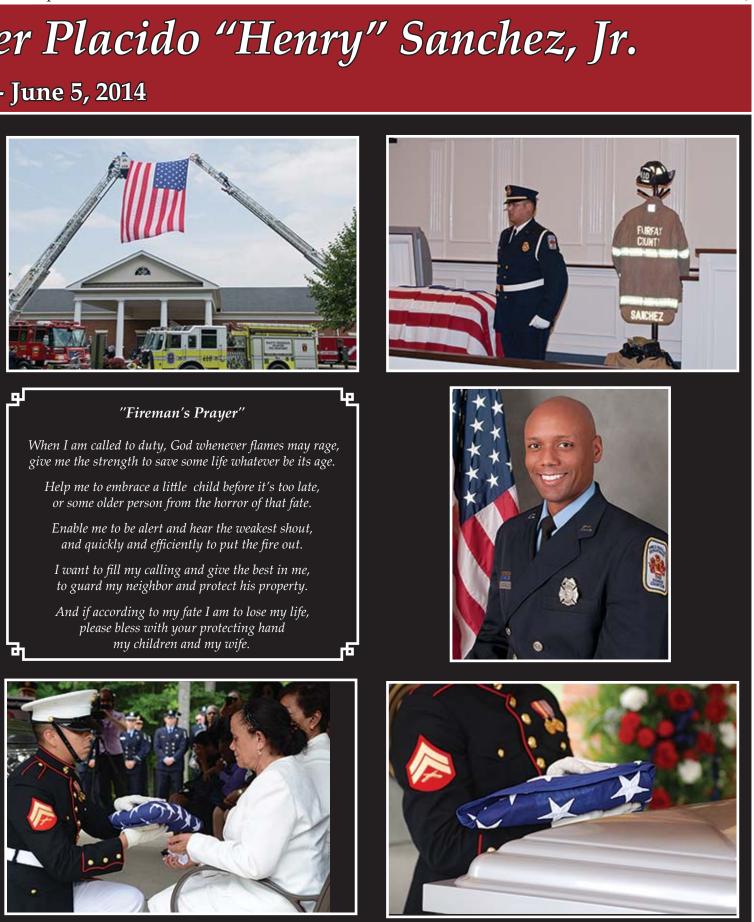
Front Lines

September 11, 2014

Celebrating the Life of Firefighter Placido "Henry" Sanchez, Jr. April 25, 1977 - June 5, 2014















Firefighter Placido "Henry" Sanchez, Jr. was laid to rest with military honors at Quantico National Cemetery--Semper Fi.



(All memorial and funeral photos taken by Elliott Rubino. Portrait photo taken by Angela Ballard.)

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Crews from the second and fourth battalions and units from Fairfax City responded to a house fire, June 27, 2014, at 3450 Barristers Keepe Circle in Fairfax City. A lone occupant was home when the fire broke out and escaped unharmed.



Rescue crews work more than eight hours to extricate a construction worker from a 15-foot deep trench, June 12, 2014. The below grade rescue involved more than 100 emergency personnel and lasted until shortly after midnight. Paramedics immobilized the worker and monitored his well-being continuously while technical rescue crews carefully conducted a difficult extrication. The worker was transported to INOVA Fairfax Hospital. Water and sewer lines were being installed at the single-family home, 7419 Venice Street, Falls Church, when the mishap occurred at 3:45 p.m.





Master Technician Chip Sweeney and Technician Charles Harman, Fire and Rescue Station 24, Woodlawn, stand next to their newly created "mailbox" attached to a hydrant. Nice workmanship.



Firefighters from Fire and Rescue Station 8, Annandale, and Virginia State Troopers, bring attention to the "Move Over" safety initiative, June 2, 2014.



Crews from Clifton, Burke, and Fairview fire and rescue stations conduct an extrication on an overturned pickup truck on Chapel Road, June 5, 2014. (Photo by Peter Kosenko)



Firefighters from both Fairfax County and Fairfax City responded to a multi-vehicle crash at the Sunoco gas station, 10619 Braddock Road, at approximately 5 p.m., July 24, 2014. Two heavy rescue companies extricated several trapped victims in the five vehicle crash. Four patients were transported to INOVA Fairfax Hospital. Fuel pumps were shut down; however, there were no fuel spills.



Firefighters responded to a fully involved house fire, June 18, 2014, in the Herndon area. An off-duty Montgomery County firefighter alerted the occupants of the home allowing them to escape unharmed. Damage was estimated at \$350,000. Improperly discarded smoking materials caused the fire.



Firefighters battle a Herndon middle unit townhouse fire in the 2400 block of Wheat Meadow Circle, August, 10, 2014, at approximately 7:05 p.m. Improper disposal of smoking materials caused about \$900,000 in damages, affecting six townhouses. There were no injuries. (Photos by David Black)













Ms. Calla Lothery, 106, rode in Engine 418 at Westwood Park Civic Association's Fourth of July Parade. The crews from Jefferson met her during a SIOC encounter when she stated: "I've always wanted to ride in a fire truck." Her wish was granted along with her great grandson, Jack Turner, 10.



(The above five photos by Angela Ballard)

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As a beta test, FXFRD will be receiving a Fire Ground Survival Mobile Training Apparatus. The program is designed to provide consistent Mayday prevention and operations among all firefighters, company officers, and chief officers. Funded by the IAFF, it is the most comprehensive Mayday prevention program available in the fire service. The Academy will host a trainthe-trainer class in the near future. The other Fire Ground Survival Mobile Training Apparatus will be deployed to Los Angeles County Fire.





Firefighters responded to a end-unit townhouse fire, August 18, 2014, at 2052 Golf Course Drive, in the Reston area. All of the occupants escaped unharmed. Five occupants from two townhouses have been displaced. Damages are estimated at \$180,000. The fire is under investigation.



Fire Chief Richard Bowers presented Technician Thomas Feehan with the department's first Senior Helmet Shield, May 27, at Fire and Rescue Station 21, Fair Oaks. The prestigious and newly created shield is worn by the most senior firefighter in the department. Tom has more than 39 years in the department. His family also attended the short ceremony.

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----- Original Message -----From: Diane J. Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2014 07:57 AM To: Jenkins, Jason R. Cc: Bowers, Richard; Subject: RE: Recognition - Jake and Gabe

Dear Chief Bowers and Chief Jenkins,

I am writing on behalf of the Griffiths and Jones families to thank you for providing such a warm, positive acknowledgement and affirmation of what Gabe, Jake, Courtney, Jon and your response team did to help Jake. Every aspect of what you and your station did to celebrate and recognize a rescue effort well done and the outcome of that effort (for which words will NEVER be adequate) was very moving and is deeply appreciated. The ceremony was truly a celebration of life. I know that too often first responders are faced with the sad aftermath of tragedy.

And, as Courtney said to me this morning, in the midst of terrible news around the world, Jake S.'s progress and yesterday's ceremony and acknowledgement of the efforts of all involved reaffirms our hope and belief in the positive in humanity.

We know that you and your staff have devoted your lives to helping others in need and in crisis and we are very moved and honored that the Griffiths family and Jake J. were able to contribute so well to the rescue of Jake S. Every single aspect of yesterday's ceremony and acknowl-edgement was wonderful (including the significance of the tribute from the rescue helicopter). It was also crystal clear that Gabe, Jake and the Station 39 Responders saved not only a boy, but a family.

We know that every aspect of the rescue has altered and enriched the lives of everyone involved. Thank you again for recognizing and validating so poignantly the efforts of everyone involved and best of all, the outcome!

Courtney and Diane

Top 10 Activity Report

April - June 2014

Ambulance		Engine Company		Rescue Squad	
Unit	Calls	Unit	Calls	<u>Unit</u>	Calls
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A 4 1 3	71	E410	766	R 4 2 1	403
A 4 0 2 E	54	E408	686	R 4 1 8	311
A 4 0 5 E	43	E430	667	R 4 0 1	290
A 4 2 1 E	39	E 4 2 9	661	R 4 1 4	254
A 4 1 4 E	33	E405	641	R 4 1 9	238
A 4 1 0 E	16	E 4 2 2	641	R 4 3 9	236
A 4 1 2 E	1 4	E 4 1 7	631		
A 4 3 8 E	13	E 4 0 4	599		
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Unit activity is compiled from the event history file. A unit must be dispatched to a call or added on to be counted. Mutual aid dispatches are included in the activity report.



The remaining 2014 deadline is November 15. Please submit articles or text to Dan Schmidt at Dan.Schmidt@ fairfaxcounty.gov or Cathy Richards, Cathy.Richards@ fairfaxcounty.gov.



Large Loss Fire Investigations

Date: 5/1/2014 Box: 14-01 Address: 5972 Jan Mar Drive Type: Residential Cause: Undetermined Value: \$300,000 Loss: \$50,000 Status: Inactive

Date: 5/14/2014 Box: 18-31 Address: 3246 Kenney Drive Type: Residential Cause: Incendiary Value: \$320,000 Loss: \$75,000 Status: Closed

Date: 5/19/2014 Box: 26-02 Address: 5201 Cherokee Avenue Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$375,000 Loss: \$375,000 Status: Closed

Date: 5/19/2014 Box: 05-29 Address: 6913 Mary Caroline Circle Type: Residential Cause: Undetermined Value: \$204,000 Loss: \$100,000 Status: Open

Date:5/23/2014Box:28-07Address:600 North Madison StreetType:ResidentialCause:AccidentalValue:\$4,500,000Loss:\$500,000Status:Closed

Date: 5/24/2014 Box: 38-00 Address: 14714 Truitt Farm Drive Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$402,615 Loss: \$201,305 Status: Closed

Date: 5/27/2014 Box: 19-23 Address: 8228 Catbird Circle Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$1,000,000 Loss: \$1,000,000 Status: Closed

Date: 6/10/2014 Box: 05-97 Address: 5412 Hopark Drive Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$421,575 Loss: \$100,000 Status: Closed

Date: 6/18/2014 Box: 04-11 Address: 12645 Terrymill Drive Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$427,950 Loss: \$350,000 Status: Closed

Date: 6/26/2014 Box: 04-00 Address: 540 Madison Street Type: Residential Cause: Undetermined Value: \$300,000 Loss: \$150,000 Status: Open

Date: 7/8/2014 Box: 42-06 Address: 10501 Dunn Meadow Road Type: Residential Cause: Accidental Value: \$913,000 Loss: \$150,000 Status: Closed

Date: 7/11/2014Box: 02-01Address: 200 Mashie Drive SEType: ResidentialCause: Under InvestigationValue: \$600,000Loss: \$100,000Status: Open

The Admin Team Asks "Did You Know?"...

Did you know you can recover deleted email? In Outlook, go to the Folder tab and click on Recover Deleted Items. You can recover selected items or you can purge them completely!

Front Lines can be viewed at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr

Awards & Presentations

Unit Citation Awards

Vehicle Extrication Rescue 414 Lieutenant Charles W. Horton, Jr. Technician Samuel L. Sandeen Technician Robin S. Clement II Technician Cory S. Parry

High Rise Building Fire Engine and Medic 428 Captain I Calvin M. Alexander, Jr. Technician Jennifer A. Hiner Technician Jason G. Pryor Technician Peter G. Zagorites Firefighter Ryan H. Chinn Firefighter Hyun W. Kang

Cave-In at Calamo Street Rescue 414, Engine 414, and Truck 422 Captain I Timothy O. Barb Lieutenant Charles W. Horton, Jr. Lieutenant Christopher Warner Master Technician Mark F. Lucas Technician Robin S. Clement II Technician Rosemary E. Dawley Technician Samuel L. Sandeen Technician Jeff S. Seabright Technician Manuel Stribling Firefighter Colin E. Edwards Firefighter/Medic Anthony V. Tran

Townhouse Fire - Town Manor Court **Tower Ladder 424, Engine 424, Truck 411** Captain I Trenton L. Houghton Lieutenant Michael Engelhardt Lieutenant Richard M. Trudeau Master Technician James M. Furman Technician Victoria R. Callow Technician Edwin E. Flores Technician Charles A. Harman Technician John D. Leary, Jr. Firefighter John W. Foy Firefighter Clayton Thompson III

Safe Driving Career Achievement Award

10-Year Safe Driving

Lieutenant Reginald L. Wadley Master Technician Timothy M. Kelly Technician Michael S. Eddy Technician Michael T. King

5-Year Safe Driving

Technician Ryland W. Chapman Technician Andrew T. Reedy

Master Technician Jeffrey W. Tincher, Fire and Rescue Station 4, Herndon, placed second in the Master's Men Division (45-49) at the 2014 Crossfit Games recently.



Deputy Chief Andrew Duke presents Battalion Chiefs Tyrone Harrington (36 years of service) and Ed Brinkley (31 years of service) with retirement plaques at the B-Shift command/staff breakfast, June 16, 2014. They both worked their last day June 17, 2014.

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These seven Fire Marshal civilians are all retired firefighters from Fairfax County and have a combined 246 years of service (uniformed and civilian), averaging a whopping 41 years of service between them. From left to right with years of service: Ricky Pray, 38; Steve Edwards, 35; Terry Hall, 43; Howard Bailey, 48; David Phillips, 40; Wayne Champagne, 34; and Doug Turner, 47.

Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2014 2:57 PM To: WEBTeam Subject: Identifying an EMS team

[This email message was generated from a Web form submission by a Fairfax County website user at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/contact/MailForm.aspx?agId=92]

Message: I had a heart attack on Mon, 14 July in Reston. I am writing this because of your team and their superb response and training. The team responded to my wife's 911 call and they took me to Reston Hospital Emergency Room where I was treated and then admitted. How can I identify which team - which station - responded to our call? I want to be able to look each team member in the eye and express my thanks. Without them, I wouldn't be here.

Submitted By: Paul D.



Fire and EMS, Safety and Health Survival Week

The Board of Supervisors presented the proclamation designating it Fire and EMS, Safety and Health Survival Week at the beginning of the board meeting, June 3, 2014.

"Taking Up"



David G. Lange Captain I

Entry Date: September 25, 1979 Retirement Date: August 26, 2014

Recruit School Number: 49th **Assignments**: 18, 10, 26, 11, 1, 29, 26, 19, 11, 34, 17, 24

Likes about the fire depart-

ment: Challenges of solving problems in high pressure situations. Working with so many people resulting in friendships and memories to treasure forever.

Will miss about the fire department: Being part of a shift of folks with a common drive to do their best while helping others. The experiences shared with the shifts, good and bad. Plans for the future? Started a new job as "Dockmaster" at a marina in my hometown of Annapolis. Fish when possible and enjoy life each day. Words of wisdom: Do your job as well as you can. Set your expectations as high as you can. Strive to be as proficient as you can. If you do those things, you will have a rewarding career. What got you interested in the fire service? A local firehouse, a scanner, and a bicycle. Who or what made an influence in your career? Losing my dad to a heart attack in front of

me at age 14. Never wanted to be helpless in an emergency again!



Richard N. Mitchell Technician

Entry Date: April 10, 1989 **Retirement Date:** May 8, 2014 **Recruit School Number:** 75th **Assignments:** 1, 29, 13, 02, 30, 20

Likes about the fire depart-

ment: The job - helping people you've never met, my extended family (all 1,400 of them), coming to work every day and making a difference in someone's life.

Will miss about the fire depart**ment:** All the excellent and professional women and men of this department. Strangely enough, the "Sign Shop." Plans for the future? Spend "more" time at my "part time" job at the hospital. Decrease the number of EMS on my "Honey Do" list. Make sure that the people of our response area have the best pre-hospital care. Words of wisdom: Treat your shift mates and the public the way you would like to be treated. To the young guys, money is not everything. Start working on your retirement benefits. What got you interested in the

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fire service? The "rush" of fire trucks. Then later all that came with the "rush." Who or what made an influ-

ence in your career? Mark Kane, Gary Winemiller, Jeff Sager, Craig Buckley, Chris Peterson, Leo Sullivan, Gene Beach, Jamie Lee.



Davine M. Williams Technician

Entry Date: January 24, 1994 Retirement Date: June 26, 2014 Recruit School Number: 85th Assignments: 8, 10, 18, 28, 35

Likes about the fire department: The relationships that have been built. The shift get-togethers. The rivalries between 8 and 10. The coming together to achieve a common goal. Helping others that truly needed helping.

Will miss about the fire department: My co-workers. The shift comraderie. The outings. Dropping the challenge coin (Lil' Richard). Seeing the "guns" come out, when the "suns" out (Tre). The scraps of food (Gabe) left when I return from a call. Racing for the #1 spot (Alex) in the morning. **Plans for the future?** To finish growing my daughters and myself to be the best we can be. When I grow up I want to be an

old woman.

Words of wisdom: What goes around comes around. What got you interested in the fire service? Applying for the police department, the young men in the lobby on "A" level at the Massey.

Who or what made an influence in your career? Everyone

that I have had the pleasure of working with, crying with, sweating with, and laughing with. Too many folks to name them all!

Shengl, We wanted to give you an update on our son Preston. He completed the Mt Vernon Neuro Reliab program two weeks ago and is continuing to make good progress. He'll be taking a summer school class in July to see it he's ready for the academic right this Fall at George Mason.

GiGi & I wanted to thank you personally for your protessionalism, concern, and compassion with our son. Your leadership of your team and taking control of a chaotic situation, we are surely glad it was you who were is charge.

Please find in the box a small token of appriciation For your team and their professionalism. We are eternally grateful and indebted to them.

Thranks for everything ,

Brun & GiGi S

SAUNDERS B. MOON SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

August 13, 2014

Would like to thank Shawn Crisp, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department for the "File for Life" presentation and handouts. We will make use of the valuable information as it will assist in emergency situations when needed. With Heartfelt



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Submission to Backstep Kudos is simple. Three items of information are needed to submit a kudo: "To," "For," and "From." Submissions should be one or two sentences—maximum. Backstep Kudos do not have to follow the chain of command. All Kudo submissions must be sent to <u>backstepkudos@gmail.com</u>.

*To Inspectors Mike Long, Sheila Pulliam, Rolf Lenzsch, Diane Crump, Garry Martin, Luis Escobar, Scott Read, LaTycia Tanks, John Sherwood, Ray Figueroa, Lt. John Brinkerhoff, Lt. Dave Lauler, Captain Terry Fayson, as well as Bill Aceto and Sandy Ward (Plans Review) for the great job in ensuring that this year's Celebrate Fairfax was a safe and enjoyable event. Each of them went above and beyond in preventing the inception or recurrence of fire and hazardous conditions during this event that was attended by over 100,000 citizens and visitors to our county. From Captain Rocco Alvaro.

*To the entire Inspections Branch, with special recognition to Captain II George Hollingsworth and Captain I Terry Fayson - for your excellent work during the multiple fireworks celebrations throughout the county over the July 4th weekend. It takes many months of preparation in order to ensure that these events take place in a safe manner, and your efforts are recognized and appreciated. From Battalion Chief Brad Cochrane. ***To Battalion Chief Chris** Schaff (US&R program manager), Ms. Kelly Lehman (PM), Ms. Brenda Bauman (MA1), Ms. Reena Thomson (FSIII), Ms. Judy Neville (AAIII), Lieutenant Scott Schermerhorn (US&R Logistics), Mr. Kyle Knox (Materials Mgmt. Spec III), and all the respective US&R program section leads for their hard work and dedication in preparing VA-TF1 for the recent FEMA Administrative Readiness Evaluation and the extremely positive results of that audit, which included the identification by FEMA auditors of six (6) "best practices" for US&R program operations. As stated by the Branch Chief for FEMA's US&R program, this is an unprecedented achievement in the history of the national US&R system. Excellent work by all!" From Deputy Chief Chuck Ryan.

***To Pamela Czekalski-Johnson** (AAII - Plans Review) for helping immensely while researching a set of plans that were in the review process. She was very thoughtful and helpful in researching a set of plans for an owner who was in the process of trying to get their plans through the review process. She definitely gets it when caring for your customers, and you are fortunate to have her on the front line for you. **From Mr. Wayne Cates.**

*To Lieutenant Carmen Alessi and Master Tech Justin Murray - for your research and leg work to secure a large donation of tools and equipment as well as a \$12,000 donation to the Firefighters Fund of Fairfax. Thank You! From Captain David Bentley and the members of Station 401-A Shift.

*To E425 and T425 B-Shift - for making a terminally ill boy's dream come true of seeing a fire truck in person with its lights on. From Captain II Steve Mc-Farland.

*To MAIII Maura Ardike - for assisting me with some data collection on short notice for a very high profile project in the county. Your efforts were much appreciated. From Battalion Chief Brad Cochrane.

***To MTech Joe Cox and ATech Chris Martin (442-C)** for passing their Tanker testing! **From Captain Jon Bruley.**

***To FS442-C and FS439-C** for rescuing "Izzie," a neighborhood beagle who had been lost for 3 days, and was found stuck 4 feet into a hole in the ground in the middle of a very large juniper bush patch. Members cut their way into the bush and dug Izzie out. Follow up from the vet revealed only minor injuries. **From Captain Jon Bruley** (442-C).

*To the members of Fire Station 29, B-Shift: Snapper Slepetz, Steve Hartman, Jimmy Moss, Derrick Payne, Archie Fellows, Nolan Copeland, Sam Mills, Justin Reed, and Brian Hallahan, for your efforts and hard work in preparation for the 35th anniversary of the Tysons Fire Station! Thank you! Capt Hunter. *To the members of Fire Station 29, C-Shift: Mark Ebersole, Cory Key, David Myers, Angel Melendez, Bill Schnaekel, Eric Villman, Salman Khan, Thomas Chong, Ben Trompeter, Robert Broughan, Brian Kennedy, for your efforts and hard work in preparation for the 35th anniversary of the Tysons Fire Station! Thank you ! Capt Hunter.

*To the members of Fire Station 29- A shift: Rich Schaub, Dave Mills, Easton Peterson, Bill Franklin, Carlton Barnes, Brandon Truman, Chris Rhodes, Jim Hannan, Terrance Stokes, for your efforts and hard work in preparation for the 35th anniversary of the Tysons Fire Station! Thank you! Capt Hunter.

*To Probationary Firefighter Stephen Washenko: Welcome to Beautiful Downtown Merrifield! From Captain Todd O'Brien and the members of 30-A Shift!

***To Technician Jerry Manuel** for taking your personal time on your day off for the planting of flowers and shrubs near the front entrance of FS37 and the handling of the station's coffee fund. **From: Captain Jim Hobgood.**

To Captain I Dave Tobin:

Thank you for your professionalism and support while treating my daughter's injury during her weekend camp in Maryland. Knowing that you were there gave her mother and I peace of mind while she went through this traumatic event. **From a grateful father, Todd O'Brien.**

Facebook Feedback

MarshaandAllen M. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's photo. Marshaand Allen M. said "Way to Go TROT. You trained long and hard to do just that."

Anita T. Z. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's photo. Anita T.Z. said "Poor guy, thank you for doing a great job for saving him."

Amy K. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's post. Amy K. said "Thanks! My son attends that camp. He had a blast last week. Your support is truly appreciated"!

Marie M. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's July 4th Parade 2014 album. Marie M. said "Had a great time at the 4th of July parade. Proud to see all the RFF marching, proud of all of you. Good Luck in your new careers."

Eric E. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's video. August 19 at 10:42am. Attaboy Chief!

Denise D. S. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Departments Video. Denise wrote: "Our local chief (Goldsboro, NC) did his uniform... but he only did one." August 19 at 10:50am.

Marie M. commented on Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's video. Way to go Chief! Lets see the firefighters follow your example.

Community Outreach Program Highlights



Firefighters from Fire and Rescue Station 29, Tysons Corner, teamed up with life safety educators from Public Affairs and Life Technician Paul Marria, Fire and Rescue Station 31, Fox Mill, quizzes one of the participants on fire safety (right). Safety Education to conduct the ever-popular Fire Safety Olympics with children at Spring Hill REC Center, July 25, 2014 (left).



Firefighters from Fire and Rescue Station 15, Chantilly, drop off 50 backpacks and school supplies to kids at Ox Hill Baptist Church, near Chantilly Mews, , August 22, 2014, a week prior to the department's large backpack giveaway at Fire and Rescue Station 11, Penn Daw. (Photo by Captain II Will Bailey)



Department participants of the Crime Solvers 5K Run fundraiser gather around to celebrate winning the trophy for most participants in the race, August 2, 2014, near the Fairfax County Government Center.

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Anniversaries

<u>39 Years</u>

Technician Thomas P. Feehan

37 Years

Master Technician Michael D. Macario

35 Years

Assistant Chief John A. Burke Captain I David G. Lange

34 Years

Battalion Chief John S. Price, Jr. Technician John M. Smith III

33 Years

Lieutenant Charles F. Adams, Jr.

32 Years

Battalion Chief Charles R. Hawkins Lieutenant Matthew P. Malof Captain I Glenn F. Tschann Lieutenant Gary W. Vozzola

25 Years

Deputy Chief William A. Garrett

20 Years

Lieutenant Thomas R. Carver, Jr. Captain I Michael B. Davis Technician Robert J. DeSousa

Captain I Robert W. Gusa Master Technician Gregory A. Keppley Captain I Richard M. Lancing Captain I Steven D. Norris Master Technician Andre D. Peterson Battalion Chief E. Martin Ranck III Lieutenant Reginald K. Rodgers Master Technician Robert D. Rodriguez Lieutenant Barbara R. Silva Technician Karen D. Sterling Captain I James R. Stricklen Firefighter B. W. Talbert Master Technician Mark O. Thompson Captain II Christopher Tilles Firefighter Song K. Yi Deputy Chief Robert J. Zoldos

15 Years

Captain I Tracy E. Crawford Terry W. Hall, Code Specialist II

10 Years

Firefighter Bilal A. Ali Lieutenant Joshua R. Allen Lieutenant Randall J. Allen Firefighter Monica L. Bartos Technician Donald G. Clemens, Jr. Firefighter Walter A. Covert, Jr. Technician Juan D. DiMartino Technician Vincent A. Flores Master Technician Brian S. Giller Firefighter Mark E. Huehn Technician Vernon Johnson Master Technician Sarah C. Joliat Technician Ron A. McNew

Retirements

Firefighter Eric S. Britton May 27, 1986 - July 14, 2014

Yvonne M. Dabney, MA I August 31, 1981 - August 12, 2014

Lieutenant Todd S. Hall May 27, 1989 - August 1, 2014 Captain II Lorenzo M. Thrower October 13, 1986 - July 28, 2014

Technician Davine M. Williams January 24, 1994 - June 26, 2014

Lieutenant Richard L. Merrell Technician Jason R. Munt Kimberly A. Panzer, Financial Specialist III Lieutenant Easton M. Peterson Lieutenant Tracey M. Reed Firefighter Christopher L. Rhodes Master Technician Jarrod A. Schmidt Lieutenant Kimberly A. Schoppa Technician Iris O. Shaw Lieutenant Steven A. Singer Firefighter Steven D. Sprague Master Technician Beverly L. Studds Reena M. Thomson, Financial Specialist III Technician Travis D. Traynham Technician Alyssa J. Vance Technician Mark A. Velasco Technician Joseph M. Vogtembing Technician William F. Ward Master Technician Harold B. Wolf Master Technician Brian T. Wood Technician Travis W. Wollever MaryAnne Zandall, Human Resources Generalist I

<u>5 Years</u>

Technician Andrea N. Burich Technician Gary C. Defriest Technician Richard L. Forte Technician Eduardo L. Iglesias Technician William L. Kendall Technician Anthony S. Martinez Ryan M. Shumate, N/T Analyst I Technician Brandon K. Truman

New Hires

Dwayne E. Harman, MA II Safety & Personnel Services

Candice M. Johnson, Life Safety Education Specialist Public Affairs & Life Safety Education

> Timothy J. Sattler, Nurse Practitioner Fire & Rescue Academy

Nikkia J. Wilkens, Life Safety Education Specialist Public Affairs & Life Safety Education

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Station constructed: 1979 Station specialty: MetroRail Operations, Command Post Operations, Highway Operations

Square miles in first due area: 6.2 Specific hazardous/target areas: Merrifield Post Office, Fairfax Hospital Complex, Metro Orange Line, Mosaic District, Propane Taxi Distribution Center, I-66/495, Exxon HQ, NOVA Mental Health

Equipment assigned to station: Engine, Tower Ladder, Medic, Operations Deputy Chief, and Mobile Command Post

Total calls in 2013: 6,803

Station personnel: A-Shift: Captain I Stephen T. O'Brien, Lieutenant Karl D. Roche, Master Technician Sean M. Fensterwald, Master Technician Rodney D. Snapp, Technician Carlos E. Contreras, Jr., Technician Kristopher R. Keyser, Firefighter Joseph A. Breslin, Firefighter Nicholas L. Crabtree, Firefighter Joshua M. Morrison, Firefighter Donald W. Rohr, Firefighter Stephen Washenko. B-Shift: Captain I William D. Vance, Lieutenant Andrew P. Devlin, Lieutenant Richard L. Merrell, Master Technician Christopher M. Blair, Technician Krill Bondaruk, Technician Jason R. Munt, Technician Stephanie K. White, Firefighter/Medic Brian L. Pape, Firefighter Kevin G. Gorospe, Firefighter Melanie L. Jenkins, Firefighter Paul M. Kaulfers, Firefighter Brian P. Reaver, Jr. C-Shift: Captain II Matthew C. Burns, Lieutenant Tie L. Burtlow, Lieutenant Robert E. Wells, Technician Christopher R. Gay, Technician Michael A. Heath, Technician Bryan Selent, Firefighter/Medic Stephen C. Malone, Firefighter Latoya N. Johnson, Firefighter Bradley J. Meletti, Firefighter Michael E. Bender.



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Captain II Matthew C. Burns Station Commander

