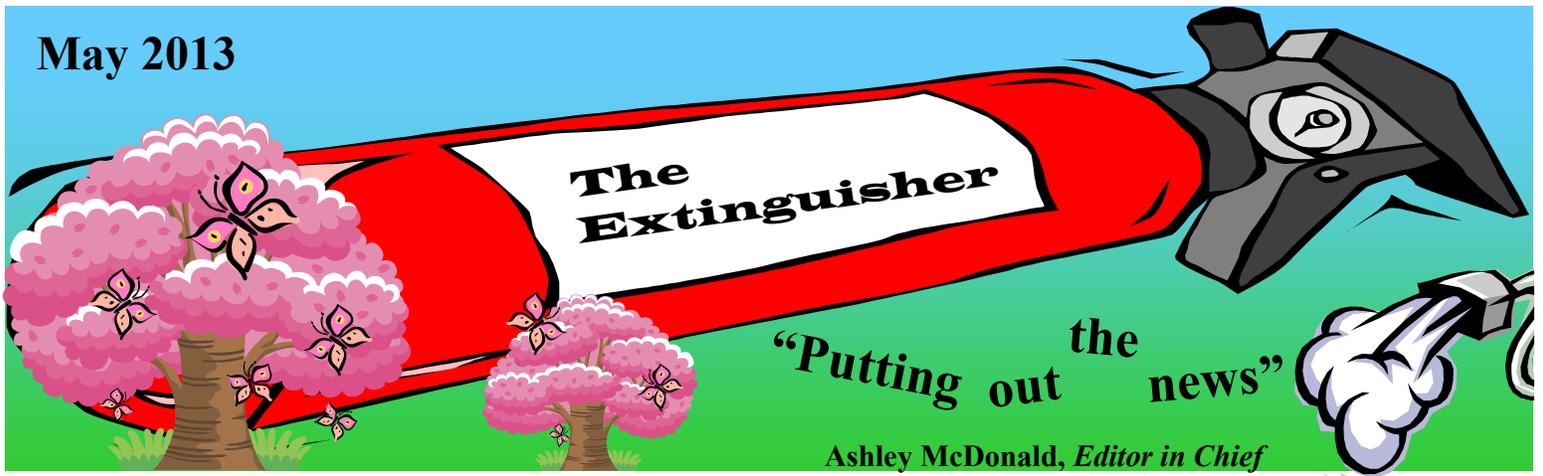


May 2013



Birthdays

Sam Benford 5/1

Ashley Welcome 5/03

Ray Robinson 5/04

Jacob Follis 5/05

Josh Oliver 5/06

Steve Melton 5/07

Chris Mikolon 5/08

Kyle Winnett 5/09

Doug Rivait 5/13

Jeff Day 5/19

Ronnie Nobles 5/20

Kenneth Richmond 5/23

Alan Jakes 5/24

Bo Jones 5/25

Troy Tayse 5/25

Nell Spradling 5/26

Craig Underwood 5/29

Collins Harrelson 5/30

Eddie Mitchell 5/30

City Holidays

Fire Administration
Office will be closed
Monday, May 27, 2013
in observance of
Memorial Day.

If you need immediate
assistance, please visit
HQ at 202 E. Vine Street.

MFRD HONOR GUARD NAMED REPEAT CHAMPIONS

Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department's Honor Guard placed first for the second year in a row in the National Honor Guard Competition at the Fire Department Instructors Conference (FDIC) in Indianapolis, Indiana Friday, April 26th.

The team, competing against eight other teams from across the nation, participated in details such as Full Dress Inspection, Posting of the Colors, Casket Watch (posting guard at a casket), and Flag-Folding. "I was able to watch most of the event and our team had some stiff competition this year; they really had their work cut out for them," said MFRD Shift Commander Dale Maynard, who acts as Honor Guard Liaison for the department.

Team members were the same as last year: Captain/Shift Inspectors Nora Smith, Wade Williams, and Thomas McAdoo, Captains Jeff Irvin, Gary Hutchinson, and Mike Adams, Driver Randy Shaw, and Firefighters Greg Burt and Charles Powell.

The National Honor Guard Champions will bring home a large trophy to be presented to Chief Gaines. The team also received a \$2000 uniform voucher from Marlow White Uniform Company to use toward future uniform purchases.

"We are relieved and exhilarated," said Firefighter Charles Powell, MFRD Honor Guard team member.

Chief Gaines commented on the win, "I cannot express how proud I am of these men and women; to become repeat champions is such a great honor for the City of Murfreesboro and MFRD."



(Left to Right): Captain Gary Hutchinson, Firefighter Charles Powell, Captain/Shift Inspector Thomas McAdoo, Captain Mike Adams, Firefighter Greg Burt, Director of FDIC Chief Bobby Halton, Driver Randy Shaw, Captain Jeff Irvin, Captain/Shift Inspector Wade Williams, and Captain/Shift Inspector Nora Smith.

ASSISTANT CHIEF HONEYCUTT ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT



Assistant Chief Ken Honeycutt announced his plans to retire effective July 12, 2013 after 34 years of service with Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department.

Honeycutt began his career with the department in October 1979 as a Firefighter. In August 1982, he was promoted to Driver and was promoted to Inspector in August 1986. He was promoted to Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal in October 1988.

Honeycutt served four years in the United States Air Force branch of the military (1968-1972) and served in the Vietnam conflict. He is also a Middle Tennessee State University graduate (1976).

He has received several certifications from the State of Tennessee over the years including: Firefighter I and II, Fire Apparatus Operator, Instructor I, Officer I and II, Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I and II, and Fire Safety Compliance Officer I and II. He is certified through the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the State of Tennessee as a Fire Inspector and is also a Medical First Responder.

Honeycutt has been affiliated with several associations over the years including 20 years as a Board Member with the Tennessee Fire Safety Inspectors Association (TFSIA). He was also past president of the TFSIA. He has also been a member of the Tennessee Fire Chief's Association, International Association of Arson Investigators Tennessee Chapter, Tennessee Firemen's Association, Tennessee Advisory Committee on Arson, Fire Service Coalition, and the Tennessee Public Educators Association. He also served as a member of the Urban Area Security Initiative District 5's Response Committee for Communication and the City of Murfreesboro's Communications Committee.

Honeycutt has been the advisor for the Citizens Fire Academy for the last five years. He has also overseen many projects including the implementation of Project SAFE (Smoke Alarms for Everyone). He was also instrumental in securing a Fire Safe House and Freddie the Fire Truck, which are the department's most requested public safety education tools.

In 1990, Honeycutt received a "Law Enforcement Commendation Medal" from the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and was most recently a WGNS Good Neighbor of the Day.

Honeycutt plans to spend more time with family upon his retirement. He and wife Kim have five children: Matthew, Robbie, Benjamin, Andy, and Kenneth and four grandchildren: Aaron, Sarah, Madelyn, and Hayley. He also plans to pursue his hobbies of fishing and golf. When asked about his upcoming retirement, Honeycutt said, "I have always had a passion for this job. It has always been enjoyable. I have met many people over the years and have made many friendships. I have seen some of the greatest things you can see, but have also seen some of the saddest. Walking away is going to be tough."

Chief Cumbey Gaines said, "We truly appreciate Ken and all his years of hard work and dedication to this department. We wish him well in all his future endeavors. He will be missed."



39 YEARS
Billy Vinson

36 YEARS
William Daniel

25 YEARS
Lee Douglas

17 YEARS
Richard Crick
Thomas McAdoo
Terry Smith

15 YEARS
Greg Burt

12 YEARS
Randy Shaw

5 YEARS
Kernie Cothran
Bill Durkin
Zach Fleenor
Jonathan Gaither
Jeremy Morris
Jason Norris
Rob Odom
Jon Parsons
Josh Parsons
Sean Wheeler

FF Bo JONES NAMED FF OF THE MONTH MAY 2013



FF James "Bo" Jones was named Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department's Firefighter of the Month for May 2013. He received the honor for repairing a fence at Station 5 on Florence Road. Acting Shift Commander Joe Barrett even received compliments on the fence repair from a neighbor close to the station. Bo has been with the department since March 2004. Congratulations Bo!

MFRD'S NEW FIRE PREVENTION TRUCK



MFRD's Fire Prevention Division will be utilizing this truck to promote several of the department's Fire Prevention programs (Project SAFE, Fire Extinguisher Training, etc.) The truck was wrapped with donations from the Fire Prevention Donation Fund and will be seen at special events throughout the city!



STORK REPORT

JAMES ISAAC ESTES
SON OF CLAY & HOLLY
BORN: APRIL 12, 2013
AT 7 LBS / 15OZ
21" LONG