

November 2016

The Extinguisher

"Putting out the news"

Ashley McDonald, Editor in Chief



Birthdays

Frank Camejo 11/1

Israel Marcella 11/7

Brennar Ballard 11/10

Renard Brown 11/10

Keith Elrod 11/10

Kim Lawson 11/10

Jeremy Morris 11/12

Robert Odom 11/14

Carol Whitaker 11/14

Tracy Summar 11/16

Kaye Jernigan 11/21

Michael Bartlett 11/22

Paul Oliver 11/23

Terrence Thomas 11/23

Alvin Brandon 11/25

Keith Bratcher 11/25

City Holidays

Fire Administration Offices will be closed the following dates in November:

Friday, November 11
(Veterans Day)

Thursday, November 24
Friday, November 25
(Thanksgiving)

If you need immediate assistance, please contact MFRD Headquarters at 615-849-2661.

ENGLISH NAMED FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department proudly announced that Engineer Doug English was named "Firefighter of the Year" at the Noon Exchange Club of Murfreesboro's Annual Crime and Fire Prevention Awards Luncheon October 27 at Five Senses restaurant.

English was nominated by MFRD Captain/Shift Inspector Brian Lowe for an off duty act that had a very positive ending for a medical emergency.

Nomination written by Captain/Shift Inspector Brian Lowe for Engineer Doug English:

"On June 2nd, 2016, Engine 3 was dispatched to an unresponsive person, CPR in progress. Upon arrival, off-duty Engineer, Doug English, was administering basic life support. Doug maintained patient care and assisted Engine 3's crew with AED use. The patient was turned over to Rutherford EMS for more advanced care and transport. After the dust settled and the crew delivered the patient to the emergency department, I asked Doug about his actions that led up to activating 911. He recounted by saying that he had just walked out on to his back deck when voices next door caught his attention. He noticed his neighbors trying to wake up the resident and it appeared that he was having a medical emergency. Upon recognition, Doug grabbed his "go bag" and headed next door. He directed family members to activate 911 while he started CPR.

Doug's initial actions provided emergency crews with a viable patient. His early intervention lead to a successful save with the AED. The patient is a retired member of the Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue department and continues to do well today."

Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks read the nomination letter and added, "Doug is a humble man, who quietly does his job, but does it well. He never misses an opportunity to help where help is needed. Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue is proud to have him as a dedicated employee and proud to announce him as our nominee for Noon Exchange Club Firefighter of the Year!" Foulks mentioned that the victim was a retired Captain of MFRD.



English is also one of the recipients of this year's "Outstanding Service Award," which he will receive at the First Annual "Fire Awards and Recognition Ceremony" on November 7. He has been with MFRD since August 2000.

Pictured (L to R): Gayle Passovoy (Noon Exchange Club of Murfreesboro), Engineer Doug English, and Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks.



OCTOBER ANSWER:

Q. What are the components of an extension ladder?

A. Bed (base) section, fly section, guides, halyard, pawls, pulley, stops, and staypole in addition to beams, rung, butt, and heat sensor labels from a straight ladder.

Credit: Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills: Third Edition; pg 357-359

Tailboard Topics

Q. What are the hooks on the cutters in the picture used for?



SANDERS NAMED FIREFIGHTER OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER 2016



Firefighter Davis Sanders has been named Firefighter of the Month for November 2016. He was nominated by his Captain, David Frost, for the following:

“Engine 3 was at a motor vehicle accident with a special circumstance leaving a 16-month-old boy unattended by his family. The boy was scared and crying. Sanders picked him up and held the small child. He developed a bond with the boy and held him for over an hour, eventually getting the boy to laugh and play. Davis also took it upon himself to clean the child’s car seat.”

The Captain continued to say, “I would consider his voluntary actions worthy of Firefighter of the month. Even though most people would likely do the same if presented the same circumstances, Davis’ actions were a great reflection on MFRD.”

Sanders has been with MFRD since July 11.

*“Davis’ actions were a great reflection on MFRD.”
-Captain David Frost*

Happy **9**th Anniversary to
“The Extinguisher!!!”

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Putting out the news

WELCOME
Happy November everyone! With 9 years and counting, it's our 9th year since the first issue of the newsletter. We're proud to have you all here with us. We hope you enjoy the newsletter and we'll continue to provide you with the latest news and information from the fire service.

UPCOMING EVENTS
November 15th - Tennessee Fire Safety Association (TFSA) Annual Conference (TTSAL) 11/16
11/16 Fall Seminar at Oak Park Golf Course Lunch at 11am/Start is at 12pm
11/16/17 Classes at the Holiday Inn Sheraton-Don-Elgin
11/17 Patterson Park Community Center Theater-Don-Elgin
11/17 Tennessee Fire and Code Academy
11/20 Exchange Breakfast at Double Tree Inn

EQUIPMENT UPDATES
Additionally, we have a new fire truck on order that has an expected delivery time of 8-9 months. It will be a 2017 Kenworth Cab and chassis and the price for this truck is \$454,700. This price includes equipment.

Bids Awarded for SCBA's & Air Compressors
Manuel Emergency Service, Inc. announced the award of the bid for the SCBA gear of \$170,000. The 11 bid was \$203,000 and the air compressor was awarded to \$109,000. SAE/ES was awarded the bid for air compressors. All of these items are on order.

November Holidays
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Birthdays
Nov. 3 - Chris Johnson
Nov. 7 - David Mearns
Nov. 10 - Ryan Brown
Nov. 10 - Adam Elgin
Nov. 10 - Chad Whittier
Nov. 16 - Tracy Johnson
Nov. 21 - Noah Johnson
Nov. 22 - Michael Mearns
Nov. 23 - Paul Pifer
Nov. 23 - Terrence Thomas
Nov. 29 - Alan Brandon
Nov. 29 - Keith Brasher
Nov. 30 - David Butler

MFRD WELCOMES TWO NEW EMPLOYEES

Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department welcomed two new employees in October.

On Monday, October 31, Frank Camejo and Adam Davis began orientation. Camejo was hired as a Fire Trainee and Davis, as a Firefighter.

The two have almost 12 years combined in fire service experience.

They will complete the hands-on training of their new hire orientation next week. Davis will then be on shift. Camejo will start shiftwork on November 26, after completing his Emergency Medical Responder certification.

“We are confident that these two gentleman will make MFRD proud,” said Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks. “They are eager to get started and we are happy to add them to our family.”

Pictured (L to R): Fire Trainee Camejo & Firefighter Davis



MURFREESBORO FIRE & RESCUE'S

1ST ANNUAL FIRE AWARDS & RECOGNITION CEREMONY



WHEN

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
6:00 PM**

WHERE

**PATTERSON PARK
COMMUNITY CENTER
THEATER (521 MERCURY BLVD)**

Please join us as we take time to honor our "Firefighter of the Month" and "Outstanding Service Award" recipients for November 2015-October 2016.

We will also recognize personnel that recently celebrated their one year anniversary and our

GRADUATES

GIANNI BACCHETTI
BRENNER BALLARD
ROBERT GINGROW
TIARA GREEN
THOMAS GUNNELL
KEVIN MADACHIK
BETSY PRUSYNSKI
JAMES RAY
ADAM ROSS

ONE YEAR

CORIAN BARRETT
JASON BONNIGER
MARCUS CARTWRIGHT
ERIC COMPTON
CORY FRIEND
LOGAN GILL
MATT TIDWELL
BETSY WELCOME
MARK FOULKS
ANDREW KINDLE
BRANDON MCCULLOUGH

FF OF THE MONTH

DAVID SIMMS
BRENT STEPHENS
KAYE JERNIGAN
MATT TIDWELL
KENNY MCFARLAND
TONY LEHEW
MELVIN HOLMES
RYAN BATTLE
BEN HONEYCUTT
JEFF CLEMENTI
RANDY JONES
DOUGLAS INGLISH
SAMUEL BENFORD
RAYMOND SMITH
BILLY SAULS
JAMES STRADER

PROMOTION

KEVIN LEONARD

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

ROBERT CANTERBURY
DOUGLAS INGLISH

Meet the Firefighters

Frank Camejo

7 months in the fire service

Married to Rachel

Enjoys sports, jogging, camping, and fishing

About joining MFRD: "I look forward to continuing to learn and move forward in the fire service, while doing everything I can to help the MFRD continue grow and provide quality service to the community."

Adam Davis, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)

11 years in the fire service

Married to Nikki with children Lakelyn (2) and Wake (1)

Enjoys watersports, boating, and camping

About joining MFRD: "I am very excited to meet all of my fellow Firefighters and to work for such a great fire department!"



A special salute to the men and women in our department who have served or continue to serve our great country!

US Army

Engineer Jeff Harris, 4 years

Firefighter Melvin Holmes, 16 years

Captain James "Bo" Jones, 22.5 years

Firefighter Nathan Jones, 5 years National Guard

Firefighter Israel Marcella, 12 years

Captain/Shift Inspector Thomas McAdoo, 8 years

Engineer Charles Powell, 5 years/8 years National Guard

Captain/Shift Inspector Ted Pertiller, 3 years

Firefighter Thomas Steele, 7 years

United States Marine Corps

Engineer Chris Ayers, 4 years

Firefighter Greg Burt, 8 years

Firefighter Dustin Holman, 6 years

Firefighter Andrew Kindle, 6 years

Fire Trainee Kevin Madachik, 12 years

Firefighter Davis Sanders, 3 years

Captain/Shift Inspector Clay Walls, 4 years

Captain/Shift Inspector Wade Williams, 7 years

United States Navy

Firefighter Corian Barrett, 4 years

Captain David Cranford, 8.5 years

Engineer Karl Daigle, 4 years

Captain/Shift Inspector Jeff Day, 4 years

Firefighter Paul Diawara, 12 years

Supply Clerk Roy Fugate, 20 years

Engineer Chris Mikolon, 8 years

Captain Paul Oliver, 4 years

Engineer Doug Rivait, 4 years

United States Air Force

Firefighter Daphanie Crenshaw, 2.5 years

Firefighter Sean Grandowicz, still serving the TN Air National Guard

Engineer Craig McBride, 6 years

Firefighter James Strader, 2 years active/4 years inactive

United States Coast Guard

Firefighter Sean Grandowicz, 10 years



U.S. AIR FORCE



Happy Veterans Day!

5-YEAR-OLD RECEIVES COURAGE AWARD FROM MFRD

Heroes come in all different sizes...some a little smaller than others. Five-year-old Jackson Peek was presented with a “Courage Award” from Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Chief Mark Foulks on November 2 at Fire Administration.

Jackson’s father, Scott, sent a message via Facebook to the department about his son’s courageous act. On October 20, Jackson was visiting his grandmother, Jane Johnston, who he affectionately calls “Nema,” when she suddenly fell and sustained an injury that made it difficult for her to get up.

He first tried to assist her in standing but was unsuccessful. He then tried to show her different ways that she could get up without using her injured shoulder. Although his grandmother appreciated the different ideas he gave her, she was still unable to stand on her own.



Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks, Jackson, Scott, Macie, and Katie Peek (dad, sister, and mom).

Jackson remained calm under pressure and retrieved her phone so she could call for help.

For this act of bravery, Jackson received a “Courage Award” certificate, a letter signed by the fire chiefs, a department patch, and his own MFRD fire hat.

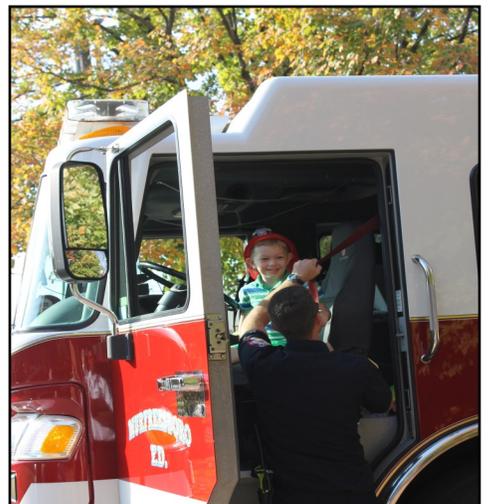
The letter from the chiefs read, “Because of your bravery, the Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department would like to recognize your efforts with our Courage Award. Thank you for showing outstanding courage in a scary situation.”

Jackson also got a special visit from City Manager Rob Lyons and the crew from MFRD’s Engine 1. He was even able to try on some turnout gear and test out the driver’s seat of the fire engine!

“We wanted to do something special for Jackson, because this situation *is* special,” said Chief Foulks. “It is evident that whatever training he has received from his parents or in school, he listened and was able to use it to help his grandmother. We are very proud of him and happy that she is doing well.”



Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks with Jackson Peek and his grandmother, Jane Johnston.



GROUNDBREAKING SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY: NOVEMBER 8

The City of Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue, and Murfreesboro Police Department are proud to announce the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new Public Safety Training Facility located at the former Franklin Heights Housing Complex just off of Bridge Avenue on Tuesday, November 8 at 11:00 am.

The new training center will be named the “Doug Young Public Safety Training Center.” Mayor Shane McFarland said, “This is a fitting honor for our Vice Mayor who has long been an advocate for this facility.”

“This is well-deserved,” said Fire Rescue Chief Mark Foulks, “for both his years of service to City Council and his unbelievable support for public safety.”

“We are grateful to the City leadership for the opportunity to offer a safe location to conduct state-of-the-art training for our police officers,” said Chief of Police Karl Durr. “We look forward to the groundbreaking ceremony and the training that will take place there for years to come.”

The groundbreaking will take place at Building 312.

More info on the Training Center:

The facility, which will provide a safe place for training for local public safety agencies, has been designed to minimally impact the surrounding community.

Features of the facility:

- Classroom and Administration building (Classroom based training, including but not limited to an Emergency Medical Services Lab)
- Storage building for equipment
- Drill Tower for training on search and rescue, rappelling, confined space rescue, and other tactical exercises
- Burn module for Class A* Burns
- Five buildings will remain in place along the back of the property for various practical training activities
- Simulated streetscape for motor vehicle accidents, traffic stops, etc.
- Outdoor classroom, kitchen, restroom facility
- K-9 training area
- Firefighting props (car, dumpster, tank, etc.)
- Physical fitness/obstacle course
- Driving pad

The facility will NOT have a firing range and will have landscaping and other buffers in place around the perimeter for the least amount of impact to the residential areas.

“We look forward to the groundbreaking ceremony and the training that will take place there for years to come.” -
Karl Durr, MPD Chief

Pictured right, the future home of the Public Safety Training Facility was the site of several Hands-On Training exercises that Murfreesboro hosted for Firehouse Expo in October.



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Bio for Vice Mayor Doug Young:

Vice Mayor Young has been a fixture on Murfreesboro's City Council since 2002. He is the owner of City Tile and Floor Covering in Murfreesboro. Young is a member of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and the Blue Raider Athletic Association. His professional memberships include the National Federation of Independent Businesses, Middle Tennessee Floor Covering Association and World Floor Covering Association. Young is a member of the Main Street Board of Directors and was named its 2012 Business Person of the Year.

Young previously served on the Board of Directors for the MTSU Alumni Association, Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, Tennessee Municipal League and as trustee for the MTSU Foundation. He is a graduate and past board member of Leadership Rutherford and a graduate of the Citizens Police and Fire Academies. Young is a past member of the Regional Transportation Authority and Murfreesboro Jaycees. He served as an active duty U.S. Army officer in Infantry and Military Intelligence.

Young is an Elder at First Presbyterian Church in Murfreesboro. He and his wife of 45 years Susan, have three children and four grandchildren.

SITE PLAN DRAWING TRAINING FACILITY



THE MFRD FAMILY KEEPS GROWING...

The MFRD family continues to grow as two personnel welcomed babies into this world in October.

Firefighter Kernie Cothran met his son "Mason Brown Younger" on October 20. Mason weighed 7 pounds/14 ounces and measured 19 inches long. Big sister is Kaylee!

Firefighter Jonathan Parsons and wife Josie said "hello" to their sweet baby girl, "Jolie Harper" on October 21. She weighed 6 pounds/1 ounce and measured 20 inches long. Big Brother is Jace!



Wedding bells were also ringing in the month of October! Engineer Doug Rivait married Pilar Diaz on October 22 in Gatlinburg.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOV. 6: CHANGE YOUR CLOCK, CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 6 at 2:00 a.m. As you change your clock to "Fall Back," Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department would like to remind you that this is also a great time to change the batteries in your smoke alarms.

"Because batteries should be changed approximately every six months, the time change is the perfect way to remember this very important task," said Fire Marshal Carl Peas.

If you need assistance with changing your batteries or need additional smoke alarms in your home, contact MFRD Fire Administration Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:30 pm at 615-893-1422 to take advantage of Project S.A.F.E. "Smoke Alarms for Everyone." MFRD offers free smoke alarms/installation to the citizens of Murfreesboro, even specialty alarms for the hearing or visually impaired.

Remember, you should have smoke alarms on every level of your home including the basement, in every bedroom, and outside sleeping areas. Smoke alarms should also be tested monthly to ensure they are properly working.

"Having working smoke alarms can cut your risk of fire death in half," said Peas.

Here's a public service announcement from the City of Murfreesboro to remind you to "Change Your Clock, Change Your Batteries": <http://youtu.be/gLI4O7DQNsY>.



November Anniversaries

29 YEARS
John Avaritt

28 YEARS
Jeff Day
Carl Peas
Kaye Jernigan

21 YEARS
Hunter Fite
Jeremy McCullough
Tim Rowlett
Wade Williams

15 YEARS
Tim Corder

4 YEARS
Matthew Twomey



If you notice MFRD personnel providing exemplary service, displaying professionalism, or representing the City of Murfreesboro in a positive light, please share your experience by nominating them for a Service Excellence Stars Award.

Click here for more information or to [Nominate a STAR.](#)