

May 2011

# The Extinguisher

“Putting out the news”

Ashley McDonald, Editor in Chief



## Birthdays

- Sam Benford 5/1
- Brandon Powers 5/3
- Ray Robinson 5/4
- Jacob Follis 5/5
- Josh Oliver 5/6
- Steve Melton 5/7
- Chris Mikolon 5/8
- Kyle Winnett 5/9
- 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

## MURFREESBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT WELCOMES TWO FIREFIGHTERS: BATTLE & CLEMENTI



FF JEFFREY CLEMENTI

FIRST RESPONDER



FF RYAN BATTLE

EMT-IV

Murfreesboro Fire Department welcomes two firefighters to the department—Ryan Battle and Jeffrey Clementi. The two started on April 11, 2011. Both Battle and Clementi will be on A-Shift.

## CITY HIRES FOUR POLICE/FIRE DISPATCHERS

The City of Murfreesboro has four new Police/Fire Dispatchers: Katie Goad, Lindsay Czereda, Tiffany Matthews, and Tomeka Moore. Their first day was Monday, April 4th.



They trained with Murfreesboro Fire Department on Thursday April 7th as part of their orientation.

Pictured (left to right): Katie, Lindsay, Tiffany, and Tomeka.

## LEADERSHIP RUTHERFORD VISITS MFD HEADQUARTERS

On Thursday, April 6th, Leadership Rutherford visited Murfreesboro Fire Department Headquarters for the group’s “Courts and Public Safety Day.” During their visit, they toured the station and equipment, took rides in the tower, and participated in a fire extinguisher training class.



MFD Admin will be closed Monday, May 30, 2011 in observance of

MEMORIAL DAY



## MURFREESBORO FIREFIGHTERS DEFEAT DAVIDSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 80-60



## FIREFIGHTERS OF THE MONTH APRIL/MAY 2011



Firefighter James Bryant and Driver Alvin Brandon have each received the Firefighter of the Month honor. James is the recipient for getting Sure Response up and running for Dispatch when Vision Air went down. He has been with the department since October 2004. Alvin has received this honor for building a metal roof on the ability test tunnel and making a skid for moving the training mannequin around Station 6. He has been with the department since October 1997.



### May Anniversaries

**37 YEARS**  
Billy Vinson

**34 YEARS**  
William Daniel

**23 YEARS**  
Lee Douglas

**15 YEARS**  
Thomas McAdoo  
Terry Smith

**14 YEARS**  
Richard Crick

**13 YEARS**  
Greg Burt

**10 YEARS**  
Randy Shaw

**3 YEARS**  
Kernie Cothran  
William Durkin  
Zach Flenor  
Jonathan Gaither  
Jeremy Morris  
Jason Norris  
Rob Odom  
Jon Parsons  
Josh Parsons  
Sean Wheeler

## PITT AND FOLLIS LIVE FIREFIGHTING TRAINING



### SPOTLIGHT



The following are the TOP FIVE personnel to complete the most Action Training Systems Computer Based Training subjects in March & April:

*Firefighter David Simms-52  
Firefighter Joel Patnode-13  
Capt/Shift Inspector Jeff Day-10  
Firefighter Kernie Cothran-9  
Driver Brian Burgess-7*

*\* Data from TC Billy Vinson*

## INCIDENT AT AIRPORT

PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY: FF ROB VAUGHTER

On March 25th, Station 6 responded to an incident at Murfreesboro Municipal Airport to assist with the collapsed landing gear of a 1979 Piper Navaho.



PHOTO SUBMITTED:  
CAPT/STO TERRY SMITH

On March 25, 2011 Firefighters Jacob Follis and Julia Pitt participated in 4.5 hours of live firefighting training at Arnold Engineering Developing Center in Tullahoma (AEDC).

The training included flashover simulation and was conducted in a two story burn trailer.

*Follis and Pitt are pictured above contemplating their attack plan.*



### “Testing HOSE”

*Shift Commander Tim Swann & Captain/Shift Training Officer Ronald Jones test a fire hose on a sunny day.*

