

BUGLE & STAR NEWS

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Welcome to our next issue of the Bugle & Star News! ☺

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Awards Ceremony 2008

On November 6 Caroline County Fire-Rescue held their annual awards program to recognize county volunteers and staff for their outstanding service and dedication to the citizens of Caroline County.

The keynote speaker was Timothy Perkins, Virginia Office of Emergency Services

A special recognition was presented to Brady Grim, who was Field Supervisor and held the rank of Captain. Brady retired October 31, 2008.

Other special recognition awards were given to Chief Steve Parish for 45 years of service and George & Louise Washington for 50 years of service for Upper Caroline Fire Department.

Other Recognition awards presented:

Volunteer Rescue squad Member of the Year:

Heather Eades

Volunteer Fire Dept. EMS Provider of the Year:

Sam Knode

Volunteer Firefighter of the Year:

Clint Ziadeh

Volunteer Rescue Squad Officer of the Year:

Kathy Burchell

Volunteer Fire Dept. EMS Officer of the Year:

Rachel Roundy

Volunteer Fire Officer of the Year:

Jason Satterwhite

Career Firefighter/EMT of the Year:

Chris Rigsby

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Brady Grim presented with Retirement gift





New Promotions

Fire-Rescue is pleased to announce and welcome our four new Lieutenants and Training officer.

Our Lieutenants are: Erin Southworth, Ed Bonham, Leigh Doucet, and Michelle Chewning.

Our new Training Officer is Travis Womble

Erin Southworth is a Paramedic and Firefighter. She began her fire and rescue career at the Bowling Green Vol. Rescue Squad in 1992. She became one of the first County career medics in 1997. Erin and her family live in Ladysmith.

Ed Bonham is a Paramedic and Fire Instructor. He began his fire and rescue career as Volunteer in West Newbery, Mass in 1992. He joined Caroline in 2003 as a Medic/Firefighter. The Bonham's live in Ladysmith.

Leigh Doucet is a Paramedic and Firefighter. She began her fire and rescue career as a Volunteer with Fredericksburg Vol. Rescue Squad in 2001. She worked for Spotsylvania County prior to joining Caroline in 2006. Leigh and her family live in Ladysmith.

Michelle Chewning is a Paramedic and Firefighter. She is a Native of Caroline, beginning her EMS career at the Bowling Green Vol. Rescue Squad in 1994. She joined Caroline in 2003. Michelle and her family live in Sparta.

Travis Womble is a Virginia EMT/Paramedic-Intermediate and Fire Instructor. He began his Fire and Rescue career in Hanover County in 1996, he remains active as a volunteer in there system. He also worked for Richmond Ambulance Authority achieving the rank of sergeant and Field Officer. He joined Caroline in 2007. Travis and his family live in Henrico.

Officers Announced for 2009:



BGVFD:

- Chief 1-Brad Thomas
- Asst. Chief 11- Chip Hartle
- Asst. Chief 12-Jason Satterwhite
- Captain 13-Roger Kennedy
- Captain 14-Jared Watts
- Captain 15-Eric Chenault
- Captain 16-TJ Johnson
- Lieutenant 17-Clint Ziadeh
- Lieutenant 18-Steve Lynd



LVFD:

- Chief 2- Butch Hoskins
- Chief 21- Bo Norton
- Chief 22- Kevin Hill
- Captain 23- Kevin Southworth
- Captain 24- John Oates
- Captain 25- Robert Muniec
- Captain 26- Steven Melson
- Captain 27- Robert Stout



SVFD:

- Chief 4- Art Singer
- Asst. Chief- Doug Terry
- EMS Captain 42-Theresa Pitts
- Fire Captain 43- Hilton Williams
- Fire Captain 44- Mark Loving
- Fire Lieut. 45-Keith Johnson JR
- SGT. 46- Greg Hess



UCVFD:

- Chief 6- Steve Parish
- Asst. Chief 61-Kenny James
- Captain 62- George Washington
- Captain 63- Tony Parker
- Lieut. 64- David Parish
- Lieut. 65- Jim Werling
- Captain 600-Brad Reneau
- Lieut. 601- Kitty Diamond
- Lieut. 602- Frank Dashnaw

New Units for Caroline:

Upper Caroline Fire Company and Sparta Fire Company



Up-Coming Events:

- February Fire Officer II @ Fire Administration call for details
- February 12th -REMS Skills Drills
- February 12th -Spaghetti Dinner @ Company 1 from 5-7pm \$7 adults \$5 child eat in/carry out
- March 7th -BLS Refresher Class @ Frog Level Vol. Fire Company
- April 18-19-Spring School @ Caroline High School

Review of the Caroline County Knox System

By Dana L. Main

Thirty years ago, Knox Company developed the first rapid entry system for firefighters. Today, Knox-Box® key boxes are the standard for secure and reliable rapid entry.

Caroline County chose to use the Knox-Box system in 2004. Our first installation was at the St. Mary of the Annunciation Church on Ladysmith Road and our program has grown to include 6 padlocks, 1 residential box and 13 commercial boxes.

Caroline County has chosen to use real estate combination key boxes to store the Knox keys on our Fire and EMS apparatus. These boxes provide an extra layer of security for residential and commercial users. The box can only be opened using the combination which must be obtained from Communications. Communications is only to give out the combination to a unit on the scene of an emergency call or for administrative purposes.

When using the Knox key, keep it attached to the front of the Key Box. The Knox key can not be removed from the Knox-Box unless it is in the locked position.

The location of Knox Box installations are faxed to each station after building information is collected and boxes are locked. There is a Knox-Box book in Administration, listing each installation. The information collected on buildings includes a brief description of the location of the Knox Box or a layout of the property showing the location of the Knox Box.

See your SOP 709.1 for more details on the Knox System

Help us to expand our system by letting patients, family members and business owners know about the Knox System. For more information or order forms they can contact Fire Administration at 804-633-9831.



Key Box



Knox-Box with key inserted

Email training announcements to
twomble@co.caroline.va.us

Announcements:

Calling All Cooks:

Caroline County
Wants

YOU!

Fire Administration is collecting recipes for a “firehouse” cookbook which features Caroline’s fire and rescue chefs. The proceeds from the sale of this book will go toward our Tuition Reimbursement Fund. So start digging for Grandma’s best pie receipt or Grandpa’s barbequed chicken. You may fax recipes to Melissa @ 804/633-9831 or mail to CCFR Recipes, Dept. of Fire-Rescue, P.O. Box 447, Bowling Green, VA 22427.



Congratulations To:



Get Well Wishes:

- Kitty Diamond
- Brady Grim

**If you run into these people make sure you wish them a
Happy Birthday on their special Day!**



January

1st -Heather Kay; 4th -Jared Watts; 5thAllison Sheward; 8th -Ed Bonham; 13th-Steele Myers; 14th -Chris Fisher; 16th -Vicky Buckland; 17th -Art Singer; 20th -Larry Fullen; 21st -Hazel Podbielski; 24th-David Ray Anderson.; 25th -Anna Shreves; 26th -Katherine Gatewood, Martel Kelly; 27th -Timothy Phelix, Heather Eades

February:

6th -James Jones; 7th -Wayne Collison; 10th -Dana Main; 12th -Jenni-Meade Cochran,LaDell Rollins,Justin Jenkins; 15th -Frankie Dietrich; 18th -Brad Thomas; 20th -Steve Parrish; 23rd - Wayne Gilbert Jr; 25th -Brady Grim, Anthony Parker; 26th -Christopher Collins;

March:

1st -Bo Norton; 3rd -Steven Morgan; 7th -Kirk Roberts; 9th -Mark Loving, Caitlin Duke; 16th -Rob Phillips; 17th -William Carpenter; William Collins; 21st -Scott Southworth, Sarah Collie, George Dilworth; 23rd -Avery Collison; 24th -Micky Carter; 25th -William Andrews Jr; 26th -David Denniston Sr, Christopher Brown; 27th -Macine Williams, Butch Hoskins; 29th -Tony Schibner; 30th -Steven Melson

If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or another special occasion to be included, please email us so your name can be added to our list!

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**The next issue
will be near the
end of March.**

**We are in need of
articles for the
newsletter.**

To save our Department money we will send a few copies to each of the Fire and Rescue Company's. If you would like a copy of the newsletter sent to you via e-mail just send your name & e-mail address to khoskins@co.caroline.va.us

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