

# CKFR NEWSLADDER

CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE AND RESCUE



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**Above:** PM Elliott Bresnan and PFF Cody Davies conducted some ORV (Off Road Vehicle) training last week on Green Mountain. The CKFR ORV is used for recon of emergency incidents, transporting people and equipment to remote areas and victim rescue.



## CPR Saves Lives!

You can be a "HERO" early in the chain for patient survival with lifesaving CPR and AED use. Sign up today and get CPR-certified with one of our instructors!

Class schedule posted at:  
[www.ckfr.org/information/classes](http://www.ckfr.org/information/classes)



# PROMOTIONS



## JAMIE MONROE, A/O

*Effective April 8, 2023, Jamie Monroe will be promoted to Apparatus Operator. Jamie has consistently been a positive role model for firefighters in our organization, the high standards he sets for himself are reflected in the work he does for CKFR. His dedication to the craft of the profession is clear and his commitment to his colleagues, members of the community and the mission of the District is evident in his work every day.*



## JOEY WERLECH, A/O

*Effective July 1, 2023 Joey Werlech will be promoted to Apparatus Operator. Joey is a member of multiple teams in the organization and is always ready and willing to train and mentor new recruits. He's highly regarded as an integral part of his team and a great example of CKFR's values. His enthusiasm about the AO role, his eagerness to contribute to the AO program and his skillset will continue to be a huge benefit to our organization.*

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMIE AND JOEY!  
WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE WHAT THEY'LL  
CONTINUE TO BRING TO THE ORGANIZATION.

## MORE STORIES FROM THIS MONTH >



**BIFD Ferry Response:** On April 15, CKFR and other Kitsap Fire Departments provided standby on Bainbridge Island as passengers were removed from the ferry, Walla Walla, that ran aground near Bainbridge's ferry terminal. There were 596 passengers and 15 crew on board at the time. Fortunately, there were no injuries and there was minimal damage to the ferry.





## Happy Easter from CKFR A-shift!

As is tradition, A-shift Battalion Chief Greg Platz puts together an Easter Egg Hunt drill. Teams of firefighters pair up in full bunker gear and SCBA, enter a smoke-filled building and search for eggs. Each of the six eggs has specific directions to accomplish, such as contacting Command via radio to provide a status report or finding tools in the building that they must carry out upon completion.

Fun was had by all teams, but E41's Lt. John Tollefson and FF Joey Werlech were the winners with the fastest time!







**Badge Pinning for Lt. Ronny Smith:** On April 18th, Ronny Smith was sworn in to his new role as Lieutenant. The ceremony was held at the Adminsitration Building. Chief Christian led the oath of office and he had his badge pinned by his wife, Stephanie. Congratulations, Ronny!



**Kitsap Sun feature on CKFR's new stations:** Earlier this month, AC Mike Tague was interviewed by the Kitsap Sun about the district's fire station projects. During their visit, he provided a tour of the new Station 52 in Olympic View. Check out the full article [here](#) >> Station 52 is expected to open this summer.



### **First of Central Kitsap's new fire stations coming soon at Olympic View**

The first of the five new fire stations built with \$58.3 million in bond funding nears completion for Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue.





## CPR Survivor Meets Crew

Two weeks ago Jacque Holloway woke up next to her husband and realized his breathing wasn't normal; he was making sounds almost like a snore, but Steve Holloway doesn't typically snore. Jacque attempted to wake him, without success. Realizing something was seriously wrong, she called 911 and found herself beginning CPR.

On Tuesday, Steve and Jacque visited Station 51 and reunited with the crew that, along with Jacque's quick actions, saved Steve's life.

"I remember going to bed the night before and then nothing until I woke up in the hospital the next day," Steve recalled. What he didn't know is that his wife performed CPR for approximately 6 minutes before CKFR's Firefighters and Paramedics arrived, moved him onto the floor, hooked him up to an AED, and ultimately had to shock him 3 times.

Steve said he didn't know how to properly thank the crews, but Firefighters assured him that seeing him walk through the station door was all the thanks they needed.

**CPR SAVES LIVES! TO LEARN CPR FOR FREE - VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.CKFR.ORG](http://WWW.CKFR.ORG) AND REGISTER FOR ONE OF OUR CLASSES TODAY**



## Upcoming Events

**May 8**

Board of Commissioners Meeting

**May 22**

Board of Commissioners Meeting

**May 29**

Memorial Day  
Admin Office Closed

**June 12**

Board of Commissioners Meeting

**June 19**

Juneteenth  
Admin Office Closed