# CKFR WEEKLY

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**CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE & RESCUE** 



## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 22 BOC Meeting Admin Building (4PM)

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May 6-10
Annual Fire Extinguisher Inspections

May 11
Life-Saver Academy
Sessions start at 9AM
@ the Haselwood YMCA

May 27
Memorial Day
Admin Office Closed

<u>June 1</u> CKFR Kids' Day! Kitsap County Fairgrounds (10AM)

### April is... Records Information Management Month!



Here are some great tips to help you get organized:

- $\Rightarrow$  Use standard file naming conventions.
- ⇒ Label e-mails and folders clearly and accurately, so that people unfamiliar with your records can understand and navigate the records in the future.
  - ⇒ Consider the important elements of a search for records to establish meaningful file and folder names (i.e., date of creation, version of file, project title, etc.)
- ⇒ Discard "personal" and "non-business" emails and information.

### Reminder: Budget Variance Reports

The March budget variance reports are ready to view on <a href="SharePoint">SharePoint</a>. Project Managers can always view the most recent reports by clicking the folder under the Documents section in the Finance tab.



### Slam Dunk, Tammy!

This month's Slam Dunk trophy goes to our Budget/Records Assistant, Tammy Kamphaus! Tammy has been doing a fantastic job handling the District's public records requests and recently provided Staff with a comprehensive training on the Public Records Act and good practices. Thank you, Tammy!

### April is... 9-1-1 Telecommunicators Month!

9-1-1 month brings focus on lifesaving dispatchers. In 2008, Congress passed a resolution making April "9-1-1 Education Month", setting aside this time to recognize 9-1-1 telecommunicators, highlight the essential service 9-1-1 offers us, and educate the public about 9-1-1 services.

9-1-1 has come a long way in the past 51 years. It took decades for jurisdictions across the country to adopt 9-1-1; now we can hardly imagine life without this service. And instead of just transferring calls through a switchboard, dispatchers now go through extensive training and offer help and emergency instructions over the phone.

In fact, just last month a bill was introduced into Congress aiming to recategorize telecommunicators and dispatchers as a "protective service occupation" in the Standard Occupation Classification System. They are currently classified as "administrative/clerical," which many consider an oversight considering the specialized work that they do every day.

April is set aside for 9-1-1 education, but in reality public education is non-stop. There are many resources available to help you keep the topic fresh in your communities:

- The National Emergency Numbers Association offers logo packages, a variety of public service announcements for different media, templates for proclamations and more.
- The National Association of State 911 Administrators' Know911.org page offers a toolkit, sample news releases, online web banners and graphics, and more.
- The National Public Safety Teleworkers Week website features pictures of 9-11 teams and stories from around the country. Be sure to check them out and submit your own!

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## **CKFRNEWS**

### **Spotlight: Wildland Training**

On April 15, B-shift crews completed the 2019 Wildland Firefighting Refresher training, taught by instructor Lt Bill Green.

Members reviewed the mobilization policy and deployment procedures, utilized the brush truck at 56 as well as personal protective equipment. The training was capped off with a timed pack test run and cutting a

control line with hand tools.

#### **Participants:**

Carl Tesch Elliott Bresnan Austin Backus Marcus Oliver Jamie Monroe Ryan Madison Michael Smith

We expect a busy wildland season for 2019 with extended



**BELOW:** CKFR B-shift spent Saturday working on Rescue drills. Station 64 Captain Dennis Elliott developed "real life" scenarios for the crews. These simulations required teamwork, communication and, of course, lots of technical know-how!









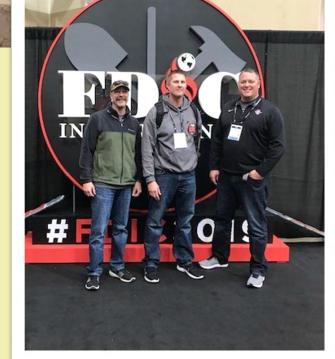






Captain Matt Porter, Lt. Chris Bigelow and Lt. Chad Gillespie had the privilege of attending FDIC (Fire Department Instructors Conference) this past week in Indianapolis. The conference consists of attendees worldwide and some of the very best instructors from around the United States. Each member attended more than 30 hours of training during the week. Included are the classes attended by our members:

- Dealing with Difficult People and Their Impact of the Organization
- High-Rise Firefighting Operations: Defining and Refining the Challenge
- The Company Drill: How to Leave Them Wanting More
- Be a Powerful Instructor Now
- Overwhelming the High-Rise Fire: Success with the Big Line
- This House Rocks: Firehouse Excellence
- Firefighter Mentorship
- The Privilege of Leadership: Lessons from History
- 40 Things to Teach Your Rookie Firefighter
- First Due Tactical Decision Making for the Company Officer
- High Rise Firefighting Operations: Strategic, Tactical and Task level
- Increasing Your Command Presence and Influence
- Saw Time
- The Art of Go/No Go



- Venting Tactically
- Preventing Cancer in the Fire Service
- The Doctors View of Firefighters and Cancer
- Culture, Cancer, and Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment 2019
- Firefighter Cancer Prevention and Reduction
- The 2019 Fire Officer: Are You Up for the Challenge?

**RIGHT:** 51 hose drills and our 51 A-Shift Officers.

Nothing like smiles on the drill ground!



**LEFT:** On Thursday, crews responded to a kitchen fire in on Hansberry Street. Occupants were cooking when kitchen filled with smoke. The fire on the stovetop was quickly extinguished. The adult female, young child, dog (Kubi, pictured) and cat made it out safely. There were no smoke alarms in the residence so crews provided and installed them before leaving.

**BELOW:** PIO LiMarzi visited The Cottage Montessori's morning and afternoon classes with E50 and E64 on Wednesday. They discussed fire safety, let the kids see what a firefighter looks like with all their gear, and showed off the equipment on the rigs.







**ABOVE:** More from The Cottage Montessori visit!

Special thanks to: AO Amanda Rohr; AO Marcus Oliver; Lt. Justin Brown; and PM Doug Bekenyi

**BELOW:** Twelve Brownies got a chance to learn Safety & First Aid straight from the pros this week! A big thank you to Lt. Chris Starkey, PM Bekenyi, and FF Jamie Monroe!







B-shift had the pleasure of welcoming Archer and a few of his friends for a fire station tour. Archer is turning 3 and loves fire engines and firefighters! It was fun showing all these kids where our firefighters work and the big rigs they drive. They even got to see Firefighter Ivan put on all of his gear!

Happy Birthday, Archer, from all your firefighter friends at Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue!

Have something newsworthy to share?
Send it in to Serena Prince (sprince@ckfr.org)!