



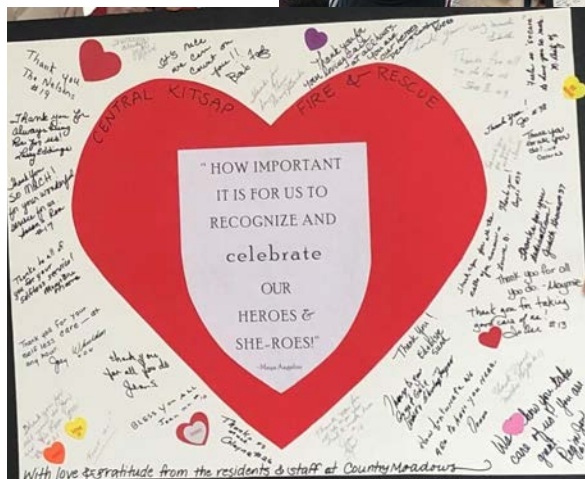
CKFR WEEKLY

CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE & RESCUE

February 14, 2020



"Our Heroes & She-roes!"



Station 51 A-Shift had a surprise visit from citizens of Country Meadows in Silverdale. They wanted to say thanks for all our help and present the firefighters with a Valentine! How sweet!

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 17
PRESIDENTS DAY
OFFICE CLOSED

February 20
CPR PROGRAM
Station 41 7:00 PM

February 24
BOC MEETING
Admin Building 4:00 PM

Recognition and Oath of Office

BOC Meeting Monday, February 10



Chief Oliver recognized the work of Jonathan Larson, a local researcher with Microsoft, who was instrumental in the District's data analytics and visualization program update (dashboards). The Chief presented Jonathan with a framed certificate and a Chief's Coin.

Chief Oliver also recognized PM Elliott Bresnan for his efforts on the ESO implementation along with the dashboard update and presented him with a Chief's Coin.



Chief Oliver led FF/EMT Jen Sargeant, FF/PM Casey Bizelli and FF/PM Zach Smith in the oath of office.

Jen had her badge pinned by her mother and Casey & Zach each had their badges pinned by their wife.

A proud family moment.

Congratulations Jen, Zach & Casey!

Introducing our new CKFR Members!

Richie Espitia



I was born and raised in northern California.

A few years after high school, I decided to join the military. I was in the Army for just over five years. The Army brought me to the beautiful state of Washington where I became a Volunteer with Buckley Fire Department and it's also where I met my wife, Emily.

Fun fact: My name isn't really Richie.

I was born in Pascagoula, Mississippi and graduated high school in Mobile, Alabama. I spent some time at the University of South Alabama in my home town of Mobile. The last four years I spent in the Navy, stationed here in Washington.

My lovely wife is also from Alabama. We have three boys and are expecting a fourth son in June. I wanted to be part of the Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue because of the family oriented culture.

As a bonus, my family and I enjoy the aesthetics of this area and the outdoor possibilities.

Stafford Smith



Aaron Trumbull

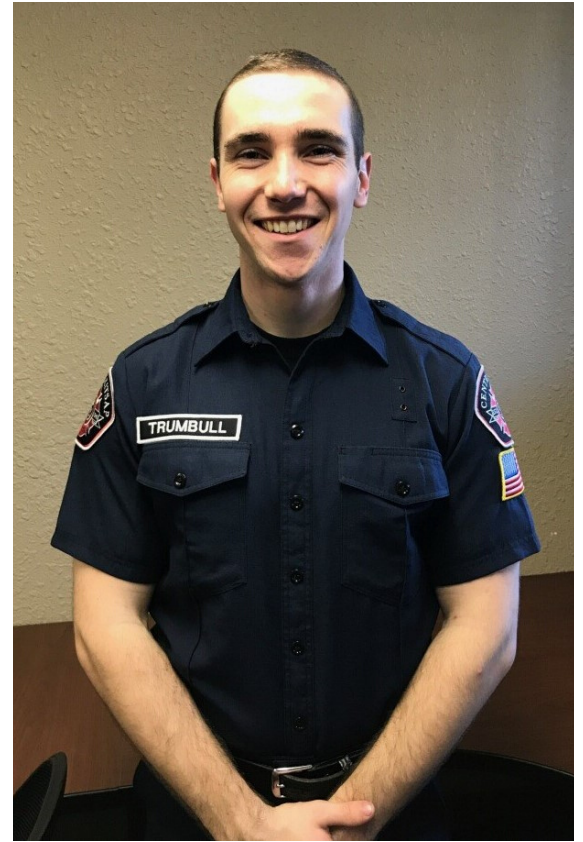
I am 23 years-old and was raised on Whidbey Island. After high school, I moved to Bremerton to play baseball for Olympic College.

Following graduation, I moved to Edmonds where I am continuing to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and Marketing Management. I am currently engaged to my beautiful fiancé with the date set for mid-July this year.

In my free time, I enjoy any outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, and snowboarding.

Prior to the fire service, I worked in customer service for several years. I made the shift into private ambulance as an EMT, then started working part-time for a Snohomish County Fire Department. I worked there for about a year when I decided to apply to CKFR.

I am honored to begin my career here at CKFR; I already see the passion to serve the community and the camaraderie within the department. I look forward to what the future holds!



Jen Sargeant

I'm proud to say I've been born and raised in Kitsap county in the Poulsbo and Silverdale area.

Sports have always been a big part of my life (GO HAWKS!) which includes 14 years of soccer.

My work experience varies from working in Alaska to my first volunteer position here at CKFR.

In my spare time, I coach CrossFit here in Silverdale and love spending time in the fitness community.

I have two black labs who require small hikes daily or a dip in the Puget Sound.

I personally enjoy anytime I can get in the water or a snow trip to any of the mountains.

I look forward to serving a community I am grateful to call home.



Cameron De Salvo

I was born and raised in Lake Forest Park, Washington. My wife, Mandi, and I just recently bought a house in neighboring Kenmore.

We have an 8 month old son named Luka, a German Shepard named Mika and a Corgi named Harley who is a handful!

During my free time, I like to hike, camp, workout, do hot yoga, snowboard (when the weather calls for it), and hang out with my family as much as I can.

Some fun facts about me, is prior to being a Firefighter, I was a competitive bodybuilder, I've never been out of the country and I used to rock a wicked bowl cut.

The reason I chose CKFR is what the department and the community has to offer. The people are very friendly, the views are amazing, and the program of training here is endless.

I am very excited to be a part of the Central Kitsap family.

Matthew Patterson

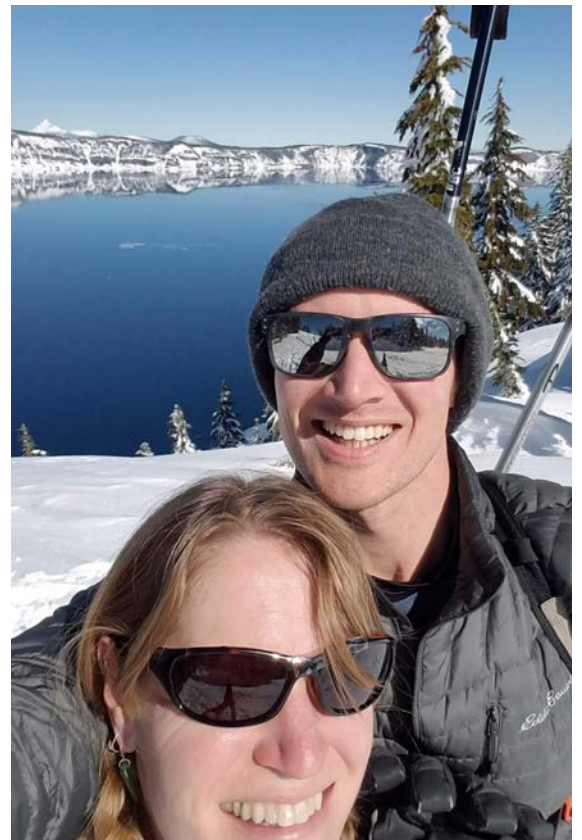
I grew up in Salem, Oregon, and have most recently moved up to the Peninsula from Southern Oregon with my wife of eight years.

Together, we have a black lab, a cat, enjoy hiking, backpacking, fishing, hunting, snowboarding, and cooking in our free time. We hope to one day start our own farm and be able to grow our own food again.

For the past 12 years I was a professional chef, working in kitchens in Oregon, Washington, Alaska, and Montana. I became interested in the fire service during one of these positions, and wanted to have a more direct and positive impact on my community. I've been volunteering for the last three years, and am very excited to be here at CKFR.

What drew me to CKFR is their commitment to their community and upholding the trust of our citizens.

Fun fact: I have been to four different countries, but not Canada or Mexico (yet.)



Casey Bizelli

I started my firefighting career in 2010 in Colorado. After some years in a volunteer department, I moved to a full time position as an EMT/Firefighter. I was then lucky enough to meet my wife in the Emergency Department where she was a nurse. I recently completed Paramedic school a year ago.

My wife and I love to travel and venture all over the world. We have two fur kids -- Apollo and Bunker, our dogs.

We are so excited to explore this beautiful state! We love the outdoors and I want to learn how to sail!



Zach Smith

I am a Massachusetts native and attended Green Mountain College in Vermont where I received a Bachelor's degree in Resort Management.

My career in the fire service started as a volunteer in Killington, Vermont. In 2006, I moved to Utah where I initially worked as a ski patroller and a wildland hand crew with Unified Fire Authority.

Following graduation from paramedic school in 2011, I was hired by Park City Fire District as a firefighter/paramedic.

My lovely wife, Kinsley, of just over six years is a California native and we have a four year old dog we love dearly.

We have been visiting family and friends in Northwest Washington for a number of years, which led us to move here. We love the wonderful people we've met in the area and are constantly in awe of the beauty the area has to offer.

I enjoy fly fishing, backcountry skiing, hiking, camping and the beauty of the natural world.

We're incredibly happy to now call this area home and are looking forward to the years ahead.



CREWS ON THE MOVE...



Three of our new Firefighters worked on Advanced Airway techniques with PM Wildes this week. All will go to their "shift assignment" starting February 15.



Five of our new hires started their journey at the Red Knights Recruit Academy. They will go through 13 weeks of intense training before graduating to serve our community.

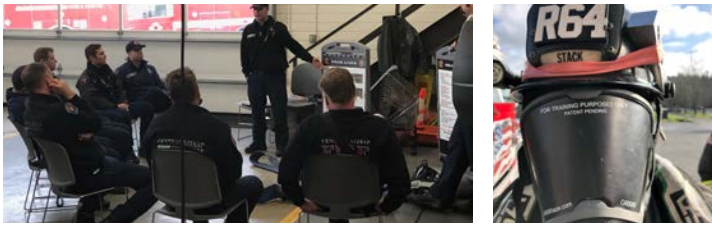


All three shifts are training on Fire Ground Survival Module 2 this week which encompasses:

Self-survival procedures and following a hose line to locate an exit:

- Perform the actions of GRAB LIVES while in a simulated environment where the fire fighter is lost.
- Call the Mayday.
- Activate/deactivate the PASS.
- Use light and noise to alert rescuers.
- Locate a hose line and use coupling orientation to find an exit.
- Communicate with IC.





C-Shift members conducted Fire Ground Survival Training at Station 51. Thank you for the course instruction by AO Mahoney and AO Smith.



C-Shift M56 and E56 crews were called to assist an elderly male for an aid call. After ensuring the wellbeing of the patient, LT Green helped complete the wood flooring repair the patient had been working on prior to calling 911.



Families from Evergreen Lutheran stopped by Station 56 for visit on Wednesday. A-Shift Apparatus Operator is pictured demonstrating an extrication tool, also known as the "Jaws of Life". Everyone enjoyed the tour, and the firefighters enjoyed the snack packs they brought!



Last Sunday afternoon, Engine 41 responded to an 18 month old locked in a vehicle. The mom explained the doors had locked moments after unlocking. Crews saw the child playing with keys, but not old enough to know how to unlock the doors. Using their vehicle lock-out kit, they were able to reunite the family. FF Pierson (left) and Lt. Gillespie.

A New Addition to our CKFR Family

Congratulations to Giancarlo & Kayla Dalle with the arrival of their beautiful baby girl!!

**Welcome
Lucy Jean Dalle!**



A Message from the Training Division

Technology in the Fire Service, while slower than the civilian world, is moving at quick pace. Thirty years ago a pass device was something that you clipped on your SCBA waist strap and turned on (if you remembered) just as you entered the IDLH. If you recognize this picture, you are "seasoned".

Over the last few decades, these devices has gotten smarter, provide additional safety features, integrated, and now offer TIC technology. One thing has remained consistent in all the years and is still truly the main reason why we all have these devices on our SCBA. THE ALARM!!! If a firefighter goes down, trapped, lost, otherwise in a mayday situation, you're trained to make noise, use your flashlight, find an exit...GRAB LIVES!! Your pass device is an important tool for you to be located or to locate one of your brothers and sisters in the event of a MAYDAY. It may be the only thing that allows for a rescue of a trapped or lost brother or sister. I know these devices seemingly sound the alarm every five seconds, you're constantly moving to avoid an alarm, but the fire ground today is becoming numb to the sound of these devices going off. Training evolutions continue to have false pass alarms going off for a variety of reasons. We do not want to be the Fire Department that trains ourselves to ignore these devices sounding an alarm. If we hear that alarm we should be in high alert, potentially ready to hear a mayday transmission, is that where we are? Or are we just shrugging it off as another "nuisance pack". I ask you this.... Let's be more vigilant to clear those alarms, make sure its shut off when we put our pack on the ground in training or in rehab, let a brother or sister know their pack is sounding on the fire ground. Our packs aren't perfect, the next generation packs may solve all our issues but until then, take the time to clear your pass, it may one day save a life.



Finance Announces

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Changes in Reimbursement Payments

What is changing?

EMPLOYEE REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS WILL NOW BE MADE THROUGH PAYROLL DIRECT DEPOSIT

EAP Employee Newsletter
Helping Your Child Manage Stress - from Tots to Teens [\(Click here\)](#)



PIO Corner



Our 35th Annual Kids' Day is less than 4 months away! If you're interested in hosting a booth, please contact:

PIO Ileana LiMarzi at 360-536-8678 or ilimarzi@ckfr.org.



Stop by, donate, and chose the agency you would like to credit!

You will be rewarded with a tasty treat... but the true reward is giving back to the community and saving lives!!

