

CKFR WEEKLY

CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE & RESCUE

MAY 15, 2020



Great job guys!



Built CKFR Tough!

Back in 2019, Division Chief Brian Danskin, Lt. Bill Green, and Lead EVT3 Joe Eberle, traveled out and researched several brush trucks in the greater Puget Sound area. Bill's wildland expertise is what led to the vision of the best functional Type 5 Brush Truck.

Ideas were taken from several other Brush Trucks, and the team designed a Type 5 Brush Truck to have the best user friendly aspects combined to form the new CKFR standard.

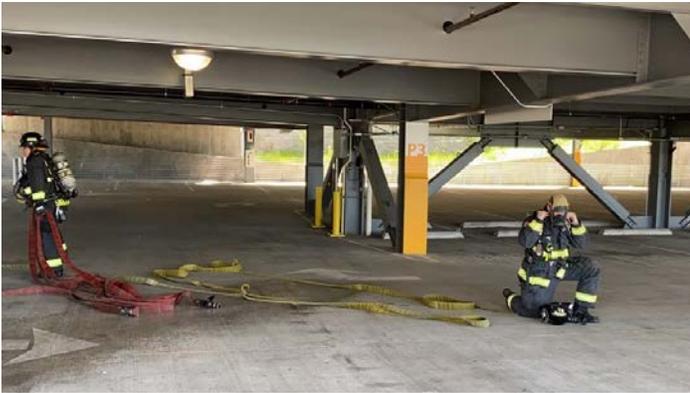
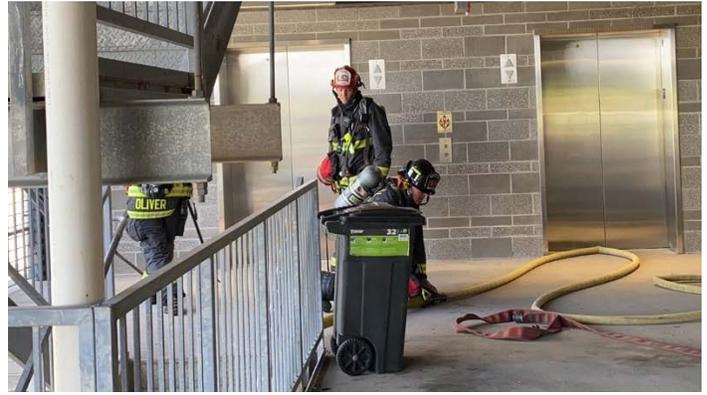
The Brush Truck carries 400 gallons of water, 10 gallons of foam, Waterax BB-4-21 Four Stage High Pressure Pump and also has an awesome lighting package for scene safety. The Chassis is a 2019 Ford F550 4x4 Crew cab with a Wickum Weld bed and compartmentation.

EVT3 Jeff Denton took on the project, planned, and put together the various components to fit CKFR's requirements. Most parts had to be custom-built, cutting and threading of the stainless steel, plumbing for the water, welding of the custom storage rack on top, custom steps, and side rails. Nice professional work Jeff!

Jeff and Joe also installed and programmed a completely customized solid state emergency lighting package that consists of a center control console, iPad mount, and a heavy duty brush guard front bumper that has a winch and auxiliary driving lights in it.

This truck is built CKFR tough and is expected to serve our citizens for many years.





Garage Drills

Parking garage fires can present additional challenges as fire engines cannot access them. Standpipes must be used or fire hose must be brought to the fire floor location.

Last Sunday, 51B had the opportunity to drill at the Harrison Medical Center parking garage. Crews incorporated checks off for probationary Firefighter Jen Sargeant. Lt. Mark Giannobile prepares rope to hoist another hand line to the simulated fire location. All crews finished with smiles and enjoyed drilling in the open air structure while completing these challenging tasks of moving hose up and down stairwells.



New Hoses

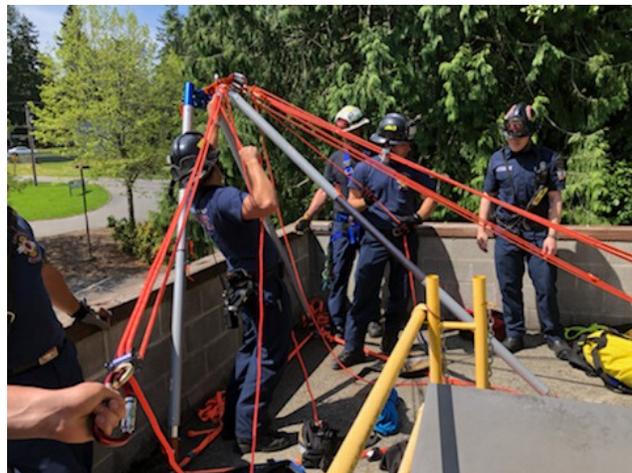
It takes a lot of hose to outfit a new fire engine. Thanks to the A-Shift crews from Station 45, 64 and 41, who tested all the new hose in preparation of loading onto the new Engine 56!





History Class in Session

Probationary Firefighters Matthew Patterson and Cameron De Salvo, giving a class on the history of the Maltese Cross and the Firefighter Badge to the crew at Station 41 A-Shift.



Over the Edge

A-Shift Lt. Owen Rhodes and AO Tony Giove from Rescue 64 took advantage of a sunny day to conduct some rope rescue training. It takes a lot of teamwork, equipment, and safety checks to send a rescue tech over the edge of a building!



Training Division Update

By DC Danskin

The Training Division has been busy the last few weeks with several project areas. As you are all aware, we have quite a few new employees at various different points in their probation, which is keeping all of us busy with training.

Lt. Kara Putnam and I have a goal of updating all task books by the end of the year and we have a pretty good run at it so far. Our goal includes categorizing them into two broad categories, "People" and "Equipment".

Soon, you will see the access to them cleaner, easier to find, and all updated with the latest CKFR equipment and standards. We are also working towards updating all Training Guides with a new numbering system that makes a little more sense and Lt. Ryan Madison will be assisting us with that project.

As you all know, we are hoping to turn the training requests back on in July. Also in July, we are planning on conducting extrication training at the training center and hopefully getting back on track with our MCO plans starting third quarter with RIT and fourth quarter managing the Mayday. We are always looking for help from our SMEs for training material, updates, or any suggestions you might have to better our Training Division.

Thanks for all you do on the line and keep up the training!!!

May SLAMDUNK Award goes to...



I would like to pass along this Slam Dunk trophy to Chief Oliver, who entrenches his efforts and determination to his community and employees. He has always maintained a high urgency to situations that come up. Especially through this COVID-19 pandemic.

Chief has risen to every opportunity. Being aware, concerned, and proactive in the protection, health and safety of our community and our organization. I have heard him say a lot of analogies over the years, but the one that best describes him and his attributes is "grabbing the bull by its horns".

Chief Oliver has been a real "lamp" in our unprecedented times. Shining a light on how to move forward toward the days to come. - Roger Short





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**Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
May 11, 2020 – 4:00 PM – Electronic Meeting**

Link: [Meeting Recording](#)

MAY EVENTS

5/15 PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY

5/16 ARMED FORCES DAY

5/25 MEMORIAL DAY
OFFICE CLOSED

5/26 BOC MEETING
ADMIN BUILDING 4:00 PM



Employee NEWSLETTER

Employee Assistance Program
May 2020

**5 WAYS YOU CAN CULTIVATE JOY
IN THE AGE OF A PANDEMIC**

Link: [May EAP](#)

Uniformed Staff: Competency Card Sort

As a part of the Fire Chief's strategic goals, we'll be working on position specific core competencies as they relate to leadership. We're asking employees who are currently in/or have been in positions recently to help determine which leadership traits are essential to which positions within the organization. The primary goals for this work are:

- Identify leadership competencies needed for each position in the organization.
- Develop a clear career path document highlighting skills needed as employees work toward promotions.
- Use the respective leadership competencies identified as a part of the position postings and interview process.

The first step is to complete a card sort. You have been sent a specific link or set of links to complete this task. The card sort process is anonymous and voluntary; however, the data gathered will be invaluable to our organization.

Check your email to find your link and get more info!



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Disability Plan Changes

Effective June 1, 2020, The Hartford will be our new provider for Short Term and Long Term Disability benefits. Additional policy related information including eligibility, premiums, coverage amounts, etc. will be sent to all staff.

Should you have any immediate questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Human Resources.

