

CKFR Weekly

Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue

EVENTS

BOC Meeting
June 8, 2020
4:00 PM

[Electronic Meeting](#)
[Instructions for the Public](#)

BOC Meeting
June 22, 2020
4:00 PM
(details are forthcoming)

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Oath of Office

Probationary Firefighters Matthew Patterson, Cameron DeSalvo (Picture 1, May 28th), Stafford Smith and Aaron Trumbull (Picture 2, May 29th) took their Oath of Office and received their badges from Deputy Chief Sorenson.

On June 1st, Rich Espitia took his Oath of Office and received his badge from Chief Oliver (Picture 3).

These ceremonies typically take place during our Board of Commissioner's meetings, but with current events, and social distancing guidelines, we decided to alter it a bit and hold it outside. *Congratulations Guys!*



Passing the Test



Congratulations to PFF/PM Casey Bizelli who passed his 1st Quarter Battalion Chief Quarterly Eval! The test covered Office Items, Navigation, Medic Unit Equipment, Fire Engine Tools/Inventory and Drill Ground Evolutions.

Extinguishing Car Fires



Station 51 A-Shift worked with PFF/PM Bizelli on extinguishing car fires. Even Ladder 51 Captain Tom Sullivan proved to the crew that a "truckie" still knows how to pull hose and aggressively put out a fire!



Save the Ducklings!

Last Tuesday, Lt. Chris Bigelow and AO Marcus Oliver worked with local residents to rescue two ducklings that fell into a storm drain. They are currently with neighbors awaiting the return of the rest of the family.



UPDATE: Mama duck never returned for her babies so now they're in the good hands of the Kitsap Humane Society.



Station 64 Lot Upgrade

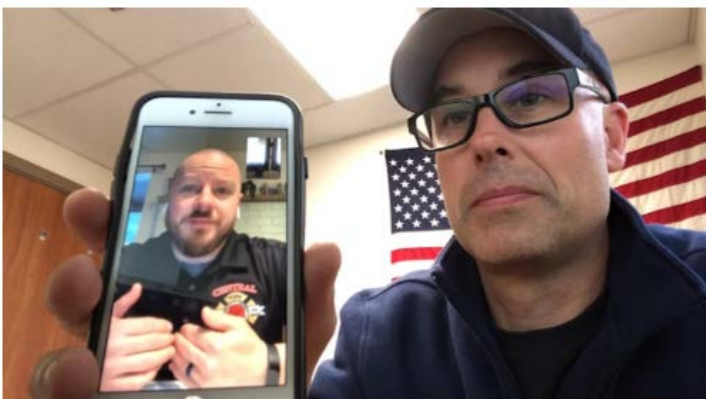
-AC Tague

This week the parking lot at Fire Station 64 received an upgrade by having the North side of the lot paved with asphalt. The gravel was removed, regraded, compacted, and then overlaid with 4" of asphalt.

Agate Asphalt, from Poulsville, performed this work and they did another amazing job. This is quite an improvement and will provide additional hard surface parking capacity for this facility.



Episode 2: Ladder 51



Peer Support
Nutritional Best Practice



Peer Support
Best Practices To Help Reduce Stress



Paycheck Review

-Heidi Robnet

It's that time of year for a paycheck review! Please take a few minutes to look over your paystub and make sure everything looks accurate – address, deferred comp contributions, voluntary deductions, federal income tax withholding.

There is a new form W-4 that was introduced in 2020 for federal income tax withholding. This new form is much different than the previous W-4, it was designed to decrease complexity and increase transparency and accuracy. However, it may be a little confusing because allowances are no longer used on this form. [FAQ's on the new form](#). Please remember that you are NOT required to complete a new form W-4, the previous form will remain in effect, and your withholding will not be changed. However, if you do need to alter your withholding amounts, the new form is required to be used.

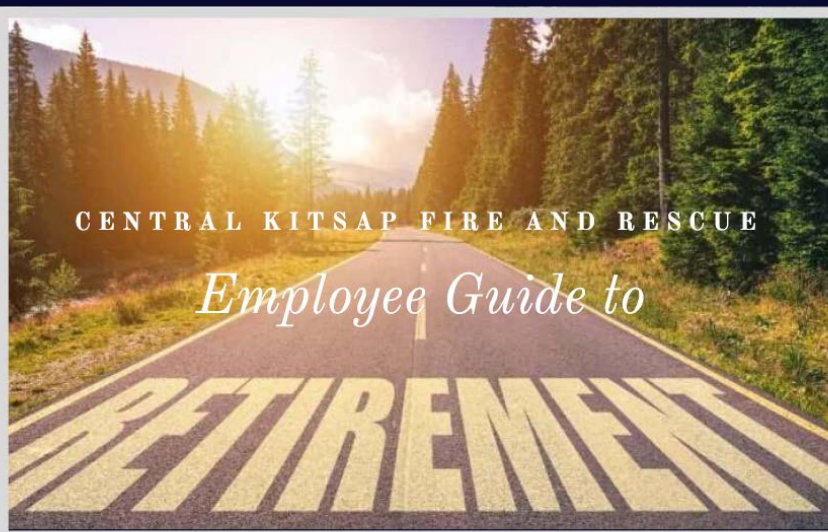
The IRS website has a [Tax Withholding Estimator](#) you can use to determine if you are having the appropriate amount of taxes withheld.



It is a good idea to go through this calculator now so that you can make changes before the end of the year. It is relatively simple to use if you have all of the information they recommend you have.

If you do need to make a tax withholding change, or make any other changes to voluntary deductions, please complete the necessary forms and return to HR or Payroll by the 12th of the month.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions regarding payroll, need to make any changes, or are unable to access your paystub.



Guide To Retirement

Preparing for and finalizing your retirement will be one of the biggest career decisions you make. Now available on CK Share Benefits Portal.

Link: [The Retirement Guide](#)



WASHINGTON STATE FALLEN FIREFIGHTER REMEMBERANCES



The fire service of Washington State will be unable to gather as planned on June 7, 2020, to honor our members who died in the line of duty in 2019 due to the corona virus.

While we might not be able to connect in person, we join our hearts and thoughts with the families and the departments of these fallen heroes. Their memories and stories will always live on within each of us everyday. They are not forgotten.

Firefighter Crystal Murphy
Lacey Fire Department
December 25, 2017

Assistant Chief Christian Johnson
Okanagan County Fire District 3
October 10, 2019

Firefighter Erik "Justin" Shouse
Snohomish County Fire District 7
April 22, 2018

Chief Don Waller
Okanagan County Fire District 6
November 6, 2019

Captain Mike Zainfeld
Cowlitz County Fire District 2
September 19, 2019

Firefighter/Paramedic Philip Oldham
Grays Harbor County Fire District 2
November 15, 2019

Lieutenant Kirk Robinson
Bothell Fire Department
October 4, 2019

Firefighter Dave Lewis (retired)
Valley Regional Fire Authority
Historic Auburn Fire Department
December 22, 2019

Honoring Their Sacrifice ~ Upholding Our Tradition

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