

CKFR NEWSLADDER

CENTRAL KITSAP FIRE AND RESCUE

Operations Update

Deputy Chief Sorenson

In the coming weeks, DC Danskin and Capt. Sullivan will be making their rounds to lead discussions in how we can improve our operations to better deliver our mission:

“We are dedicated to the preservation and protection of life, property and the environment.”

This will serve as the foundation for next year’s budget and guide us in helping to craft the strategic plan. Broadly, what substantial or meaningful change can we provide to assist crews to fulfill their duties?

A survey will be completed by each member to obtain feedback on a wide array of topics about their role and job responsibilities. Broad topics of conversation will be about hose, tools, equipment, medical procedures, apparatus, facilities, vehicle maintenance and much more.

I look forward to hearing your feedback!



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In Loving Memory

Art Schrom

Volunteer Firefighter, Retired April 4th, 1990

With heavy hearts, we announce that Art Schrom, an active firefighter and officer of 27 years with Fire District #1 has passed away. Our thoughts are with Art's family and loved ones.

CKFR NEWS

MEMORIAL SERVICE:
POLICE OFFICER
KURT ENGET



BELOW: On Saturday, April 10, CKFR Ladder 51 and Bainbridge Island Fire Department Ladder 21 raised a flag at the memorial service in honor of fallen Bainbridge Island Officer Kurt Enget.



MEET OUR NEW RECRUITS!

CKFR's 3 new hires are currently training at the Bates Fire Academy

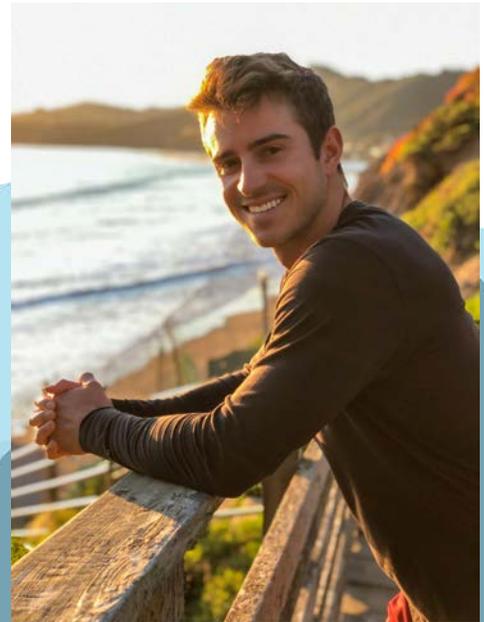


DeVonte Short

Hello Central Kitsap! My name is DeVonte Short, born and raised in Milwaukee, WI. I started my journey becoming a Firefighter here in Central Kitsap towards the end of my service in the US Navy on board the USS Nimitz. I previously volunteered through Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue dedicating my spare time to further serve my country and community and am honored to serve this wonderful community full time. I am a proud father of now two children! Family time is an important key factor in my life and in our spare time my family and I spend our time outdoors enjoying Washington's beautiful parks and finding adventures all throughout.

Blaine Taylor

Hello! My name is Blaine Taylor, I am extremely excited to be a new member of this amazing community as a Firefighter/EMT at CKFR. I was born and raised in Central California, and most recently lived in Santa Cruz, CA with my partner Hayley and our dog Leia. Before moving to Washington in January to pursue a career as a firefighter, I worked as a strength and conditioning coach in professional baseball with the Cincinnati Reds organization. After experiencing the devastation of the lighting fires last summer in Santa Cruz, my calling to become a firefighter has never been greater. While I enjoyed my career as a strength and conditioning coach, I realized my skill set could be better utilized in the fire service and decided to make a career pivot; I am so thankful CKFR has provided me that opportunity! In my spare time, I love to rock climb, surf, golf, hike, spend time with friends and family, and generally enjoy the beauty of the outdoors.



Jason Makris

Hello, My Name is Jason Makris. Before moving to Washington I was in sunny Colorado for about 18 years. I am originally from New Mexico. Before getting this incredible opportunity to join CKFR I worked the summers fighting wildland fire and doing EMS/rescue outside Fort Collins, Colorado. The structure fire world is brand new to me and I am excited to be coming into a wealth of opportunity, to expand my knowledge and skills, and most importantly, to serve our community and department I now call home.

When I'm not working, I am spending time with my family and friends, training Martial Arts, hiking, camping, snowboarding, kayaking...really anything outside and moving. I am also an avid traveler and have had the chance to travel the world, largely through competition Martial Arts. Again, I am very excited to be here and want to work towards becoming a useful member of the CKFR family.

SIMULATED ROLL OVER MVC



ABOVE: C-shift works through a simulated roll over motor vehicle collision (MVC). The mannequin is pinned under the vehicle and the crews must use various techniques to lift the car. The first evolution consisted of using a large auto extrication jack and the second scenario used an air bag to lift the vehicle. Multiple techniques must be learned as often the situation will dictate the required technique. Job well done crew!



APPARATUS OPERATOR TRAINING

RIGHT: Firefighters Werlech, DeSalvo, Patterson and Rankin working on A/O skills enjoying a sunny day.



OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW HIRES

BELOW: On April 12th, Chief Oliver led our 4 new hires in their oath of office (L-R: Blaine Taylor, DeVonte Short, Jason Makris and Nate Silves).



RIG TO ROOF TRAINING

BELOW: CKFR members (Captain Bernt, Lt. Green, FF Llewellyn, FF Monroe, FF Semerenko, FF/PM Holt, FF Espitia and FF Hagen) participated in a “Rig to Roof” training class this past week. Truck company operations of vertical ventilation, laddering and building construction were covered.



CONGRATS TO FF NEDEDOG

BELOW: Earlier this month, Volunteer FF Joe Nededog, his fiancé Kimberly, and daughters Ariana and Aviana had their family photoshoot at Station 42 and shared their photos with us. We wish them the best on their special day and always! Congratulations to Joe and Kimberly on the engagement!



The Awards Committee requests your nominations for:



2020
FIREFIGHTER OF
THE YEAR



2020
VOLUNTEER OF
THE YEAR



2020
STAFF EMPLOYEE
OF THE YEAR

[CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS](#)



SAVE THE DATE!

Chief Oliver will be providing an update on YOUR Future Fire Station 52 (to be located at Anderson Hill and Olympic View).

He'll share the design and explain where we are in the process.

This meeting will be held virtually on Zoom and Live on Facebook.

We'll "see" you then and we thank you for your continued support!



Upcoming Events

April 26
Board of Commissioners
Study Session
www.ckfr.org for meeting access

April 29
Olympic View Fire Station
Virtual Community Meeting
www.ckfr.org for meeting access

May 6
Wildland Fire Preparation
Virtual Town Hall
www.ckfr.org for meeting access

May 10
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting

May 31
Memorial Day
Admin Office Closed

