

Above: We'll be sharing updates on FF Jamie Monroe's journey across the country on Facebook! We are so proud of you Jamie! See page 5 for the story.

EMS Levy Q&A Sessions Coming Up

Fire Chief John Oliver

Ballots for the August 3 Primary Election are in the mail, including a measure to renew our levy for emergency medical service (EMS). Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue is asking voters to continue the EMS levy for another six years at the same voterapproved rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Our website has a host of information on the ballot measure, including our Frequently Asked Questions card that was mailed to all households. The Fire District also is hosting two public meetings for residents to ask questions. We hope you will attend if you have questions.

The virtual meetings are Wednesday, July 28 at 12:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 29 at 6:00 p.m. The link to access the meetings can be found on CKFR's website at www.ckfr.org. Continue >

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Medical emergencies account for almost 70% of all our 911 calls. It's a fact that EMS is the most widely-used emergency service by our community. The EMS levy guarantees residents a 24-hour Paramedic response to medical emergencies. Paramedics are trained to provide Advanced Life Support, which is the highest level of care possible.

As a final request, please remember to vote in the upcoming election! Turnout is expected to be low in an off-election year and every vote counts. Ballots must be postmarked or returned to an official ballot drop box location by August 3 in order to count. You can find the closest drop box location to you here: https://www.kitsapgov.com/auditor/Pages/kitsap-county-voting-locations.aspx.

Thank you in advance for your support of Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue. As always, feel free to contact me with questions as well at joliver@ckfr.org.

A/O Terry Fassett was recently honored by The American Legion with their 2021 Firefighter of the Year Award!

A/O Fassett was selected for his lifesaving action in August 2019, while off duty. He rescued a civilian from their burning vehicle after it had left the road and struck a tree on Ridgetop Blvd.

A/O Fassett, acting near the dangerous settings of a vehicle fire, tended to the seriously injured patient, established scene safety on the street, and performed a rapid extrication of the patient from the vehicle, who he continued to treat until responding units arrived.





Training Division Update

Captain Kara Putnam, Training Officer

The Training Division has been busy onboarding our new probationary firefighters. The five currently on shift, known as the "Pack," recently completed their medic driver evaluations and are all part of staffing at Station 41 and beginning their second month. The three new hires, known as the "Triad," will be graduating from Bates Fire Academy on July 27. The Triad will be on days for three weeks and will be going to shift at Station 51 on August 21.





The Training Division has been preparing for the heat of summer with increased emphasis on wildland fire response as well as water rescues. Our rescue swimmers have been spending time on training swims at the Silverdale waterfront. Additionally, Station 51's crews have been getting Boat 51 on the water for increased training evolutions.





Medical Officer Eric Chamberlain and PM Mack Holt have updated the training guide and curriculum for our Advanced Cardiac Resuscitation response and will be delivering this training to crews over the next few weeks.

PFF Egland, one of our "Pack" probationary firefighters is pictured here instructing a class on chainsaws.





Critical due dates coming up:

 July 30: All budget worksheets approved by Chiefs and supervisors are due to Finance

Budget tools are located on **CKShare!**

A-shift was called out behind Ross Dress for Less on Sunday night, July 11 for a dumpster fire. Lt. Bigelow and AO Whitish on Ladder 51 quickly extinguished the fire. Thankfully there was no damage to the building.







Go Jamie!







On Sunday, FF Monroe worked his last A-shift for the next few months . . . and while he is off on "vacation" you won't find him taking a nap on a tropical beach. He is set to embark on his bicycle with other firefighters on a charity ride that will cover 3,300 miles in 40 days to finish in New York City for the 20th anniversary of 911. A-shift felt it appropriate to interrupt his workout to help him "carbo load" with a Boston Cream Pie in honor of his trek to the East Coast.



August 23

Board of Commissioners Study Session

July 23-25 Whaling Days Festival August 9 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

August 25-29 Kitsap County Fair & Stampede