

# THE FIRELINE NEWSLETTER

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OF FIRE RESCUE  
& EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT**

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE CHIEF THOMAS M. BILLINGTON

### LOTTERY ANYONE?

I have been following with interest a Fire Department in our general region and the complete breakdown and trust between the leadership and the rank and file. Some of the issues involved would seem minuscule compared to what we have all faced from time to time. But minuscule does not mean not important.

In a series of studies conducted by Cambridge University, researchers ran a lottery with a twist. Half the participants were randomly assigned a lottery number. The remaining half were given a blank piece of paper and a pen and asked to write down any number they would like as their lottery number. Just before drawing the winning number, the researchers offered to buy back the tickets. The result? No matter what location or demographic the experiment has taken place in, researchers have always found that they have to pay at least five times more to those who wrote their own number.

FIVE TIMES! This says a lot participatory leadership. If in today's fire service a Fire Chief decides which truck to order, or to make a change as simple as deciding on a new uniform patch, the majority of the reaction from the troops would be retaliatory.

Now it goes without saying that in the fire and rescue world there is a time and place

for top down chain of command and following orders. This is not the subject of this article.

I relate this to a story of when I was a Fire Chief in Florida. While at the Fire Chief's conference, several Chiefs were standing in the convention hall looking at one of the new pieces of fire apparatus that had been sold and was on display. The European roll up doors (this was before they were the norm), the in-line foam system, and the extra safety features, FM Stereo with cassette! Of course, as I approached the apparatus on display, I realized it had my department's logo and a sign in the window stating that it was being shown courtesy of Fire Chief Tom Billington. Now I obviously knew that we were buying some fire trucks but I wasn't part of the "TEAM" of firefighters of ALL ranks that researched, tested and decided on the final specifications.

The human persona that makes up emergency responders is that of "team work, action and results". The equipment we use, and the apparatus and the facilities we all share, will house and deliver much happier responders if they are involved in the decision making. This also goes for all areas of government and the private sector.

*Chief Billington*

## Brave Enough to Wear Pink

By Asst. Fire Rescue Chief Darren Stevens



The 2013 Brave Enough to Wear Pink Shirts are ready for sale. This year you may order and pay for your shirts online and pay with your credit card. Extra shirts will be available at our 62 Culpeper Street until they run out.



Proceeds this year go to a newly established fund named *Brave Enough to Wear Pink* and will be used to help our career and volunteer responders with financial assistance if they or a family member is affected by cancer.

Wearing Pink for the month of October promotes awareness and reminds everyone that early screening and early detection is the key to a successful outcome.

To order just visit: [www.braveenoughtowearpink.com](http://www.braveenoughtowearpink.com) or click the figure on the left to be taken to our site.

This year there is only one style of the shirts and they are available in long and short sleeve, youth and adult. The ordering page is divided by sections only to differentiate between delivery locations. We thank you for your support and we are looking forward to another successful year.

Please note that the Benefits Meeting schedule is out and will begin at the end of next month, thank you!

Brian Lichty, Battalion Chief, M.S. Public Safety, BBA

Fauquier County Fire Rescue & Emergency Management



The DFREM Training Department introduces Lt. Matt Shields to Country Cookin! According to Lt. Mary Hart, they were "breaking him in" as a right of passage.



## EMS REPORTING BATTALION CHIEF JUSTIN CLAYTON

Just to let everybody know, we are preparing the new QA/QI program for implementation. With any luck we will have it ready to go within a week or 10 days.

Some of the features we will use will be automatic assigning of reports as well as "blind" reviewing. This is all good timing since we need to tighten up our QA program in order to remain in the good graces of OEMS.

We are also doing research to ascertain if we may be able to switch to tablet style hardware in the field. This will take some time, but we are hoping in the future we will be able to put computers in service that will be easier to use as well as give us better service.

Thank you for your attention to detail that has allowed us to be ever more compliant with OEMS recently.

Justin R. Clayton, Battalion Chief

Fauquier County Fire, Rescue & Emergency Management



## INSIDE BATTALION 2 BATTALION CHIEF BRIAN LICHTY

I would like to start this month with a BIG thank you to everyone in the Southern Battalion for their hard work in helping the Technician I's with completing their Technician I workbooks. Almost everyone has their books complete and will be ready for their probation release. This month the Southern end Chiefs also met for the first time in a while to discuss the upcoming year.

The Southern Battalion also continues with a high call volume. Several different calls to include a traffic accident that shut down route 28 with a hazmat incident for several hours. Crews worked to contain the leak before the contractor arrived to begin the long process of cleaning up.

We also have a new addition to the Southern Battalion with Truck 2 (Congratulations Remington). Although this unit is not in service, yet work has begun to start training personnel and preparing equipment. This process will take several months and is anticipated to be in service some time after the first of the year.



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Virginians now can be “mobile ready” for disasters with a [new app from Ready Virginia](#). The app gives those who use smart phones and tablets a convenient way to prepare for disasters and to stay informed during emergencies with the latest information.






**SARA MAKELY**

Sara Makely currently serves as the Membership and Marketing Committee Chair and Region 2 Representative on the Board of Directors for VEMA.

**PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND**  
Sara currently works as a Deputy Coordinator for Fauquier County Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Management.

Sara has served in this position for 4 years.

**PERSONAL DETAILS (FAMILY AND PERSONAL BACKGROUND)**  
Sara grew up in Warrenton, Virginia. She has been married for 10 years and has a 7 year old daughter, Paige.

**VEMA PRIORITIES AND/ OR GOALS**  
*Her most important goals, projects and/or priorities for VEMA this year are:*

- Reach out to business continuity planners, health department planners, colleges, and localities regarding membership.
- Work with the newsletter editor on publication scheduling.

**LITTLE KNOWN PERSONAL FACTS AND/ OR PERSONAL MOTTOS**

- I have a twin brother that is 12 minutes older.
- "It takes as much energy to wish as it does to plan" Eleanor Roosevelt.




Sara Makely, Fauquier County Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator, in the news! See here, page 11 from the Virginia Emergency Management Association (VEMA) Summer Newsletter.

SUMMER 2013



## Make a Plan, Get A Kit, Stay Informed!

### September is National Preparedness Month!

Did you know that National Preparedness Month has been observed nationally each September for ten years to encourage Americans to make certain they are prepared for disasters or emergencies in their

homes, businesses, and communities? September has again been designated National Preparedness Month by FEMA, VDEM and Fauquier County Board of Supervisors.

Fauquier County Deputy Coordinator Sara Makely reminds us that it is important for all citizens to be informed and prepared for emergencies of various natures, and to play a

responsible part in their own protection. Check out the [UPDATED Emergency Management Webpage](#) for information to pass onto citizens on preparing for a variety of emergency situations.

Thank you, Sara, for all you do for DFREM and Fauquier County!



## GEAR ROOM UPDATE

BY BATTALION CHIEF BRIAN LICHTY

Just a reminder that the Gear Room will be open again this month on September 11th from 1600-2000 for any of your gear needs, such as gear requests, gear repairs, replacements, etc. Please feel free to come on by Wednesday September 11th.

## Happy Birthday to You!

- 9/01 Ian Brill
- 9/04 Jonathan Bankston
- 9/09 Brian C. Lichty
- 9/14 Sara M. Makely
- 9/14 Marc S. Monroe
- 9/14 Sam Myers
- 9/14 Christopher Twomey
- 9/19 Lisa Davis
- 9/25 John Woodburn III



## INSIDE BATTALION 1

BY BATTALION CHIEF R.J. ARFT



As the summer comes to a close, it is time to remember that we have to shift gears a little when running incidents. Just because the weather is getting cooler doesn't mean that we don't need to drink as much water. Make sure everyone is continuing to hydrate with water or a 50/50 mix of Gatorade. The calls have continued for the first Battalion with recent days of less than average calls interrupted by days filled with 17 to 19 calls for service for Medic 1. Please make sure that we are all wearing our safety gear when you are supposed to.

Below is a picture of the new Battalion vehicle that is currently being outfitted with lights and striping. This is a long time coming and should prove to be more user friendly than the vehicles we are currently using. We are waiting for the drawings of the command portion and it should be sent off for completion in the next month. The Dodge Ram special services pickup is designed for law enforcement/ fire rescue.



**Upperville  
Vol. Fire  
Company  
Monthly  
Pancake  
Breakfast  
All you  
can eat!  
Sept. 8th  
8am-11pm**

**Upperville  
Vol. Fire  
Company  
Annual Pig  
Roast  
Sept. 28  
4pm-8pm  
All you can  
eat!**

**Please  
come and  
join us!!**

# WTC GOLF TOURNAMENT

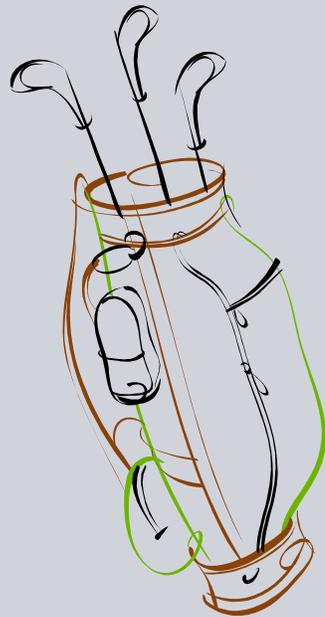
Friday, September 20th, is the annual Fauquier County Working Together (WTC) Golf Tournament and the County Administrator has created a special challenge for the Public Safety Departments. Separate winners will be selected among Fire Rescue, Sheriff's Office and the Commonwealths' Attorney office, so we could actually bring home two trophies if we win overall. More information is below, if you are interested please contact me for more information, thank you.

Sincerely,

Darren L. Stevens, BS, FSA

Assistant Chief

Accredited Chief Fire Officer Designee



**REGISTRATION FORM**

**10th ANNUAL  
FAUQUIER COUNTY WORKING TOGETHER  
CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**



**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2013**

(Rain Date: TBD)

Registration: 8:00 A.M. Shotgun Start: 9:00 A.M.

Return this form with your check, made payable to "Fauquier County", to:  
Working Together, c/o Judy Rizdon, PO Box 677, Warrenton, VA 20188

QUESTIONS ? CALL : 540-422-8183

Sponsorship Levels		
Sponsorship Type	Price	Please check the appropriate row
• Tournament Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$1,500	
• Cart Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$750	
• Breakfast Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$750	
• Lunch Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$750	
• Beverage Cart Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$750	
• Refreshments Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$500	
• Hole Sponsor (includes 4-some)	\$430	
• Hole Sponsor - no 4-some	\$150	
• 4-some	\$300	
• Individual Golfer	\$ 85	

<b>Sponsor:</b>	
Contact Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
<b>Players:</b>	
Name(s)	Address(s)

PAYMENT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Thank you for supporting our Charity Tournament!



## Emergency Medical Services OPEN HOUSE

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARAMEDIC?

### EVENT DETAILS

5:45-6:00 pm

REGISTRATION

6:00-6:15 pm

RECEPTION & REFRESHMENTS

6:15-6:30 pm

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

6:30-7:30 pm

PRESENTATION BY EMS

PROGRAM COORDINATOR,

Q&A SESSION

7:30-8:00 pm

PRESENTATION BY STUDENT

SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE,

Q&A SESSION

### EMS PROGRAMS

EMT—ADVANCED

EMT—PARAMEDIC

BRIDGE PROGRAMS

### DEGREE PROGRAMS

ASSOCIATES (AAS) EMERGENCY

MEDICAL SERVICES

### SPONSORSHIP

Made possible through the

combined efforts of LFCC,

Fauquier County Fire Rescue,

and Fauquier County's Human

Resources Work Force Planning

Program



Lord Fairfax Community College, Fauquier Campus  
6480 College Street, Warrenton, VA  
is hosting an EMS Education Open House  
September 17, 2013, 6:00pm

- Program leader/instructor will be on site to give an overview of the EMS Programs available through LFCC
- Student Services representative will be available to discuss:
  - Application, entry requirements and procedures
  - Financial Aid services
  - Veteran's Affairs services

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED - PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US!

Reserve your seat by contacting Danica Low  
at [danica.low@fauquiercounty.gov](mailto:danica.low@fauquiercounty.gov) or 540-422-8818



# INSIDE BATTALLION 3

BY BC NATASHA RANDALL



On September 11, 2013 the members of the Fauquier Fire Rescue 's 3rd. Battalion organized a remembrance display on an I-66 overpass near Marshall Virginia. If you were not fortunate enough to see the display that morning you can [click on the picture above](#) to see a slide show of the event.

Thank you to Lt. Moznich for organizing this event again this year, and to the men and women of the Virginia Dept. of Transportation and the Virginia State Police, without your support this would not have been possible.





**FIGHT FIRES. SAVE LIVES.**  
*Be more than you were yesterday*

[firejobs@fauquiercounty.gov](mailto:firejobs@fauquiercounty.gov)

**COURAGE**

**HONOR**

**TEAMWORK**

**FAUQUIER COUNTY**  
FIRE RESCUE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



**We've got a spot for you  
at Fauquier County Fire and Rescue!**



**Volunteer firefighters  
and EMTs are needed  
throughout Fauquier  
County.**

**16 years and older.  
Free training. Visit  
[FauquierFireRescue.org](http://FauquierFireRescue.org)  
or call Shirley Allen at  
540-422-8808.**



**GOLF TOURNAMENT  
TO BENEFIT  
MARSHALL VOL. FIRE DEPT. and  
ORLEAN VOL. FIRE/RESCUE CO.**

October 5th

Registration at 8 am

Tee Off at 9 am

Bowling Green Country Club

Enjoy a round of golf, raffles, door prizes,

Beer, food and fun!!

Pre-registration preferred \$85 per golfer

Contact Brenda @ 540-270-1795 or brendae@LNF.com

Contact Tibby @ 703-927-5813 or the14car@wildblue.net



**7TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT  
TO BENEFIT THE  
MARSHALL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. AND  
ORLEAN VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE DEPT.**

**OCTOBER 5, 2013**



Registration will begin at 8 am, with tee off at 9 am—\$85.00 per player

This price includes entry into all events, 18 holes of golf, riding cart, use of practice facilities, beverages, and various awards. There will be an awards presentation, door prizes and lunch directly after golf in the clubhouse.

TO PRE-REGISTER and SAVE \$5.00 per golfer, complete this form and mail WITH PAYMENT to:  
MVFD-Golf Tournament PO Box 207 Marshall, VA 20116  
Questions please contact Brenda Eggleston, 540-270-1795 or Tibby Clegg 703-927-5813

CASH AND CHECKS ONLY AND NO DISCOUNT ON DAY OF TOURNAMENT.

Golf attire is required. No steel spikes are allowed on course.

Door Prizes—50/50 Raffle—Putting Contest—Goodie Bags—Lots of Fun!



**Player Information REQUIRED for each player:  
Full Mailing Address, Phone # & Email REQUIRED!**

Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____	
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**CITY OF FAIRFAX FIRE DEPT. BENEVOLENT FUND FIREFIGHTER 5K**

This 5k is a "fun run/walk" so come on out to run, walk, skip, push a stroller or pull a wagon – just be a part of the event

**Date: 11/02/2013**  
**Time: 08:30**  
**Place: 4081 University Drive Fairfax VA 22030**

**Entry fees:**  
 •\$25.00 for preregistered runners  
 •\$30.00 for race day registration

The City of Fairfax Fire Department will be hosting the second annual Firefighter 5k from Fire Station 3. The event is being held to raise money for the City of Fairfax Firefighters Benevolent Fund.

**For More information or to register:**  
[www.Firefighterfund5k.com](http://www.Firefighterfund5k.com)  
 Email: [Firefund5k@fairfaxfire.org](mailto:Firefund5k@fairfaxfire.org)

**Race Premium** provided to all who pre register

**Timing:** The event will be timed using B-Tag

**Course:** This is a flat and fast course through Fairfax City with multiple water stops






# 911 Dispatchers That Care

The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office 911 Communications Division is looking for donations for the 2013 Holiday Season



Dispatch is creating lap blankets and collecting the following items:

- \*Yarn (for knitting/ crocheting)
- \*Finished and unfinished projects
- \*Fleece (for tie blankets)
- \*Handmade, new, or lightly used (clean) blankets welcomed!



**2 Drop off locations**

**Fauquier County Sheriff's Office**

78 West Lee St Warrenton, VA 20186 (540)-347-3300

**WPRZ 88.1 Praise Radio**

219 East Davis St Suite 220 Culpeper, VA 22701 (540)-727-WPRZ

In December 2011 & 2012, several shipments of lap blankets and throws were delivered to local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. This year we would like to do even more! We are looking for new/ or lightly used throw size blankets or lap blankets, or materials to make them such as fleece, yarn, etc. for us to achieve our goal. Thank you in advance for sharing our program with all the creative and giving people you know!

For further information please email: [Cynthia.Foster@FauquierCounty.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Foster@FauquierCounty.gov)



10th Annual **"Blue Mass"**  
*to Honor and Pray for Law Enforcement  
 & Public Safety Officers*



All Police Departments and Fire/Rescue Departments located in the Diocese of Arlington are invited to attend this Mass to remember police officers, firefighters and emergency personnel who have fallen in the line of duty, and to pray for the safety of all public safety officers.

**Saturday, September 28, 2013**

*Mass: 5:30pm* (Reception to Follow)

*Attending will be directors, chiefs, public safety officers and their families. The Blue Mass is a tradition that began in 1934 to honor and pray for the men and women who protect our cities, counties and nation.*



**Cathedral of St. Thomas More**

3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA. 22203

**Celebrant: Bishop Paul S. Loverde**



## Did you know?

In 1922 President Warren G. Harding proclaimed the first Fire Prevention Week as the week that includes the date of October 9, the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, to be National Fire Prevention Week.

According to the United States Fire Administration, most fire deaths occur during the winter months, December through February, as a direct result of poorly installed, maintained or misused portable heating equipment.

Fauquier County Fire and Rescue Association and its eleven member companies, supported by the County Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Management responds to more than 10,000 fire emergency incidents annually involving a threat to life, property, and/or our environment.

Fauquier County Fire and Rescue Association and the Department of Fire Rescue and Emergency Management acknowledge Fire Prevention Week as the beginning of their fire prevention, education and safety campaign which will last throughout the year!

**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCT. 6-12, 2013**   
**PREVENT KITCHEN FIRES**  
 GO TO **FPW.ORG** AND GET COOKIN' WITH FIRE SAFETY!





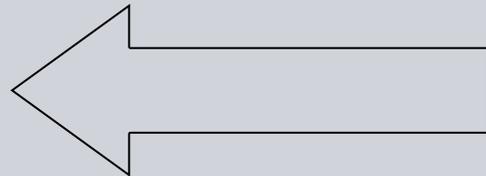
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
NOVA  
Regional Fire Training School  
October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2013



Loudoun County Fire-Rescue Training Center  
16600 Courage Ct.  
Leesburg, Va. 20175



For more information on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual NOVA Regional Fire Training School, contact the main DFREM office at 540-422-8800. Registration is due to Loudoun Co. by Oct. 7.



Follow Me to purchase your Brave Enough to Wear Pink Shirts



# Sale !!! 2002 Wheeled Coach



2002 Wheeled Coach type I ambulance on a Ford F-350 chassis, diesel with four wheeled drive plus on-spot chains and just under 48,000 miles. It's in good condition with no major accidents or rust. The patient cab has an upgraded skid resistant floor and there is a backup camera installed. The unit has power windows and door locks in the cab. There is lots of cabinet space both inside and out. The unit would continue to serve well as an ambulance or other capacities. The unit is priced to sell for \$20,000. Please call 540-219-9979 for questions.



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