



SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

Chief's Report

June 8, 2023

Mission

Save Lives, Protect Property, Safeguard the Environment, and Take Care of People

Vision

We will be a proactive regional emergency services leader by partnering to provide safe communities for people to live, work and explore.

Guiding Values

Respect, Accountability, Integrity, Teamwork, Service

OPERATIONS

Significant Alarms

Motor Vehicle Collision with Entrapment

On May 23, crews from the West and East Battalions responded to a two-vehicle motor vehicle collision on SR 522 at Paradise Lake Road. Crews arrived to find one vehicle on its top, with the patient trapped inside. The other vehicle suffered heavy damage, but the patient was able to self-extricate from the vehicle. Responders removed the patient from the vehicle on its top, the patient was moved to M31 and transported to Harborview Medical Center. The second patient was transported by M72 to Providence Regional Medical Center.

Residential Fire

East Battalion crews were dispatched to a residential fire on May 26. Crews arrived to find a heavily involved structure with multiple exposures. E32 was the first arriving apparatus and started fire control on the involved structure. Crews were challenged with access to the structure and securing a water supply, but successfully contained the fire to the building of origin.

Emergency Medical Services

Paramedic Training Program

As a result of the need for paramedics in King County, SRFR was unable to obtain a seat in Harborview Medical Center's Paramedic Training Program. We were able to get acceptance into CWU's Paramedic Program. Congratulations again to Oleg Mikhaylov who will be attending the program.

Ballistic Vests

Several SRFR members met with local equipment reps to discuss ballistic vests. Much was learned from the meeting and we gained deeper insight into this equipment.



Training & Safety

Wildland Red Card Certification Class

A Wildland Red Card Certification Class took place at Station 31 on May 15-17 followed by a Field Day at Camp Pigott near Lake Roesiger on May 18. Many SRFR team members including our newest firefighters completed the class. Thank you to Lieutenant Jeff Dickinson for leading this important training! The district is well on its way to having all line personnel Red Card certified.

Recruit Class of 23-01 Graduation

The Recruit Class of 23-01 graduated from the Snohomish Fire Training Academy on May 4 and finished the post-academy training on May 31. Congratulations to all the new Probationary Firefighters starting their 24-hour shifts in June!

Ladder Truck Tiller School Trains 12 New Drivers

A successful Ladder Truck Tiller School was completed yielding 12 new tiller drivers. The list of completed tiller drivers are: Logan Harding, Landon Bell, Soren Johnson, Johnson Brooks, Jacob McCann, Cody Chester, Jake Eldredge, Ryan Murstig, Joe Strong, David Petersen, Ross Rumann, and Jesse Abercrombie. Congratulations and thank you for stepping into this much needed role within our district!

PLANNING

Public Education

On May 25, the PIEOs presented Fire Safety topics at Monroe Head Start. E32 joined to give a tour of the engine. Materials were available in English and Spanish, and an interpreter was there to translate the important safety messaging for parents and students.

On May 31st, PIEO King taught three 2nd grade classes (75 students) at Ruby Bridges Elementary. Students learned about calling 911, escape planning, and sheltering in place.

The Community Relations Team has nine more 2nd grade visits scheduled for the coming weeks at Cedarwood Elementary and Forest View Elementary.

So far this school year we have visited over 450 Kinder/1st graders, 650 High Schoolers and over 1375 2nd Graders!

The PIEOs met with the probationary firefighters in Post Academy to discuss our Public Education Programs.

School Visits

- Kinder: 14 Classes School Year-to-Date
- 1st Grade: 4 Classes School Year-to-Date
- 2nd Grade: 55 Classes School Year-to-Date



- Middle/High School: 26 Classes School Year-to-Date

Adult & Senior Safety Classes YTD: 8

Community Events

- June 10th Life Jacket Giveaway Luncheon Park
- June 14th Visit to Monroe Library
- June 15th Stevens Creek Elementary Field Day
- June 25th Lake Stevens Health & Wellness Festival
- July 11th & 14th Water Safety Camp at Lake Tye
- July 17th Water Safety Camp at Luncheon Park

Public Information

Social Media Snapshot: May 16 - 31

- 55 Posts
- 29 New Followers/Accounts
- 99,223 Impressions/Engagement/Clicks

External Media

- May 24th Mukilteo Beacon
Kamiak Alum Graduates Fire Training Academy
<https://www.mukilteobeacon.com/story/2023/05/24/news/kamiak-alum-graduates-fire-training-academy/24583.html>

Internal Media:

- Joint Water Rescue Training in Lake Stevens
- Special Operations Teams Training
- SRFR Red Card Week, Wildland Video
- EMS Week, Multiple Posts
- Hose Training, Content from FF Reygers
- Online Classes
- SRFR Paramedic School at CWU
- FF/PM Martin Tour of Medic Unit
- Pulse Point
- Board Meeting – Levy Lid Lift Considered
- County wide EMS Week Video Produced by SRFR for All of Snohomish County fire Agencies
- Life Jacket Cabinets
- "Practice Does Not Make Perfect" Video
- E72 Interacting with Community at a Call
- Memorial Day Recognition



- Machias Crash – Safe Driving Reminder

LOGISTICS

Station 83 Remodel

Staff are working with the district's attorney to prepare a notice to contractors to provide sealed bids for the Station 83 remodel. The notice will be distributed to the public on June 12 and bids will be opened on July 11. Qualified bids will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners for approval at their regular meeting on July 13.

Project Manager Selection

Staff have selected the firm OAC to provide project management services for the district. A scope of work and contract are currently being negotiated. We anticipate presenting the scope of work and contract to the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting on June 22.

ADMINISTRATION

Washington Fire Commissioners Spring Seminar

Commissioners and staff attended the annual Washington Fire Commissioners Spring Seminar in Chelan, WA. Areas of discussion included public relations, communications, and leadership.

Take care and stay safe,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief