



SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

Chief's Report

February 23, 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

Residential Fire

On February 16, the East Battalion had a defensive residential fire on Woods Creek Road. B31, E31, E32, E33, M31, L71 E41, MSO 71 and B43 responded. The initial units arrived to find a fully involved residential structure. The crews performed a defensive fire attack and quickly controlled the fire. There was one citizen who suffered smoke inhalation injuries due to the fire. M31 performed patient care and transported the patient. The fire is currently under investigation by the Snohomish County Fire Marshal. Great job by all crews involved.

At the same time as the residential fire on Woods Creek Road, SCFD #5 had a residential fire on Woods Lake Road. Units T83 and M82 assisted SCFD #5 with the residential fire on Woods Lake Road.

Fire Suppression / Special Operations

Auto Extrication Training / Demonstration

On February 8, North Battalion C-shift coordinated an auto-extrication demonstration at Braven Metals for the Brighton School. Thirty-two students received a tour of Braven Metals and the North Battalion crews gave the students an auto-extrication demonstration. This was a great opportunity to perform training and support Braven Metals. Braven Metals has been a supportive partner for SRFR by providing vehicles at no charge to perform auto-extrication training.

Inflatable Rescue Boat Operator Training

Three boat operators attended a four-day Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) Operator Class in Red Bluff, California, on the Sacramento River with other operators on the west coast. They learned the operations, capabilities, limitations, and the maintenance of Boat 82 in both static and



dynamic waters. The three operators who attended the training will be building a curriculum for SRFR boat operators with the plan to deliver this training to all current boat operators.

Emergency Medical Services

January Data

- 10 successful intubations
- 38% of cardiac arrest patients achieved return of spontaneous circulation and were transported to a hospital
- 11 patients met Code Stroke criteria and were transported to a hospital

Central Washington University Students

MSO Defenbaugh visited the CWU campus to observe our student paramedics during their training. Paramedic Dave Rayner is an instructor at CWU and both reported that our members are doing well in the program.

Paramedic School Recruitment and Testing

The 2023 Paramedic School Recruitment and Testing Process has been announced. Testing will take place in March.

Training & Safety

Tiller Training

The Training Division has scheduled 12 members to conduct Tiller Training starting in April and ending in May. Logistics will also be sending some members through the training to aid in moving the TDA for maintenance. The training will consist of five days of training per operator.

Pump Academy

The Training Division is in the process of scheduling a spring Pump Academy for anyone wishing to be an Acting Driver/Officer in the future.

Blue Card Incident Management Training

Eight members completed a Blue Card Incident Management Train the Trainer Course and are now certified to instruct Blue Card Classes. The following members completed the course: Joe Basta, Christian DiMonda, Michael Eagle, Brett Fetcho, Rob Fisher, Michael McConnell, Perry Putnam, and Justyn Shevlin.

PLANNING

Community Relations

Elementary School Visits

We have reached out to all our elementary schools to schedule 2nd grade lessons for this school year. So far, we have 38 total 2nd grade classroom visits scheduled! We plan to reach out to various kindergarten classrooms as well.



PIEO King visited 5 second grade classes (125 students) at Highland Elementary last week, and has plans to visit Stevens Creek Elementary and Woodside Elementary the week of the 20th. Second grade students were taught about escape planning, sheltering in place, and what to say when calling 9-1-1.

Scout Day

PIEO King and PEO Mongillo helped coordinate the Scout Day Open House at Station 81 this last Saturday. We had 196 scouts and 160 scout leaders registered to attend. Each booth was designed to help scouts receive various safety badges. Despite rainy weather, we filled the station and had 303 scouts and leaders in attendance.

School Visits:

- Kinder: 8 Classes School Year-to-Date
- 1st Grade: 4 Classes School Year-to-Date
- 2nd Grade: 13 Classes School Year-to-Date
- High School: 13 Classes School Year-to-Date

Adult & Senior Safety Classes YTD: 2 Completed

- 2.08.23: Aging in Place Class - Online
- 2.21.23: Home Fire Safety - Lake Stevens Lions Club
- 2.22.23: Aging in Place - Monroe Senior Center

Community Events:

- 2.18.23: Scout Open House with 303 in attendance.

Public Information:

Social Media Snapshot: February 1 - 21

- 36 Posts
- 48 New Followers/Accounts
- 26,266 Impressions/Engagement/Clicks

External Media:

- 2/6/23 Snohomish Regional Fire Asks Voters for Two More Commissioners. <https://www.heraldnet.com/news/snohomish-regional-fire-asks-voters-for-two-more-commissioners/>
- 2/13/23 Working Together for Community Safety https://www.sno-isle.org/news/working-together-for-community-safety/?fbclid=IwAR3-ywuCZpn-4hfjoy5e_ydKwbWTD0MF-vFQL0fn9Gr3QkWrSEphw6up1A

Internal Media:

- Coffee with the Chiefs



- SRFR Prop 1 Video with Chief O'Brien and Commissioner Elmore
- Job Openings (Firefighters, District Admin Coordinator, Data Analyst)
- Darby Hepper Retirement
- Prop 1 Ballot Information
- Braven Auto & Metals Auto Extrication Demo
- Firefighters Climbing for a Cure
- February Heart Health Month
- Sno-Isle Home Donation to SRFR
- Valentine's Day Smoke Alarms
- Sonya Dudder Retirement
- Thank You post for Prop 1 Pass
- Scout Day
- Pulse Point
- 988 Awareness

ADMINISTRATION

Snohomish Fire District 4

Staff from Fire District 4 and SRFR continue to meet on a weekly and monthly basis to discuss potential opportunities.

Snohomish County Fire Training Consortium

The Snohomish County Fire Training Consortium (SCFTC) is in the process of engaging a consultant to assist the SCFTC in developing a plan for the future. The plan will address potential expansion of the SCFTC and may include enhanced training, EMS, Special Operations, and other areas of the Fire/ EMS Service mission.

Monroe Chamber of Commerce

On 2/14, staff attended the Monroe Chamber of Commerce luncheon and annual awards ceremony.

Legislative Day

On February 17, Commissioners and staff attended Legislative Day at the State Capital and will be meeting with State Legislators to support the mission of the district.

Scout Day

SRFR Station 81 hosted a Scout Day Open House with 303 in attendance. The event was a great success with lots of Scouts and family in attendance. Thanks to the crews and the SRFR Community Relations team for hosting a successful event.



Legislative Testimony

On February 20, commissioners and staff testified before the Washington State House of Representatives Finance committee to support House Bill 1670 which would raise the annual levy rate adjustment ceiling to go from 1% to 3%. The bill has since made it out of the Finance Committee and is on to the Rules Committee.

Proposition 1, SRF Board Size

Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue would like to thank the community for the support to maintain our current seven-member Board of Fire Commissioners in the February 14 special election.

Thank you all for your dedication to the community.

Take care and stay safe,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief

