



SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

Chief's Report

November 21, 2022

MISSION

Save lives, protect property, safeguard the environment, and take care of people.

OPERATIONS

Significant Alarms

Residential Fire

November 6, 2022, Lake Stevens: SRFR units were dispatched to a report of a house on fire in the 400 block of 97th Ave SE. E82 arrived at a working fire with moderate smoke from the second floor. E82 performed an offensive fire attack and found fire on the first floor of a split-level house. During a primary search, crews found two deceased cats. The house sustained significant damage to floors one and two. The homeowners were out of town for the weekend. SRFR was assisted by Lake Stevens Police, Marysville Fire, Snohomish Fire and Snohomish County Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal and B81 remained on scene after the incident to await the arrival of the homeowners. E82 performed fire watch throughout the day.

Water Rescue

November 7, 2022: North and East battalion units responded to a water rescue in SCFD#4. Boat 31 was just finishing training at Lake Tye when they responded quickly to assist with multiple water rescue techs. The victim was removed from the water by a bystander, but she had an altered level of consciousness and could not confirm she was alone. The patient was transported to Providence Everett Medical Center. SRFR and SCFD #4 water rescue techs completed a grid search of the water and area, but did not locate a second patient.

Hazardous Materials

North and West units responded with SCFD#4 to a Hazmat second alarm on SR 9 at Bunk Foss Road. Washington State Patrol and the Department of Ecology got involved and HZ71 arrived with technicians to collect and overpack a container of hazardous substance that was in the roadway.

Motor Vehicle Collision with Entrapment

November 11, 2022: East battalion units, along with M42 and MSO71 responded to a report of a 2-vehicle Motor Vehicle Collision with the driver of one vehicle trapped under the steering wheel. Crews successfully extricated the driver, who had obvious fractures to his legs and arms along with some facial injuries. The patient was transported code, to Providence Everett Medical Center. There was a total of three other patients that received care from the units on scene.



Windstorm

November 5, 2022: It was a busy day for Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue, there were 136 calls for service during the shift. Most of the calls started around 9:00 at the beginning of the windstorm and continued throughout the night. There were multiple calls for trees down on buildings with people trapped, wires down, roads blocked and the usual EMS calls during this event. Multiple calls were placed on hold and handled by E82, E77 and B81 late into the morning. There were no significant injuries to citizens or firefighters but a substantial amount of property damage in the area.

Customer Service

Recently on an EMS call in a residence, Firefighter Lambach noted multiple alerting smoke detectors. The resident is a single mother with two children who works nights. Firefighter Lambach took the initiative (on his own time/expense) to research and solve the problem. He discovered the eight detectors in the home had expired in 2017. He coordinated the purchase and installation of eight new smoke detectors, and two carbon monoxide detectors. Thank you to Firefighter Lambach for providing excellent customer service to one of our citizens.

Emergency Medical Services

MSO Changes

Lieutenant Jerry Aamold will be starting a Long-Term Acting Captain in EMS – Shift position starting on 1/1/2023. He will replace Lieutenant Nate Dillon who will return to a Primary Paramedic position starting 1/1/2023.

Ultrasound Training

The MSOs completed ultrasound training with Dr. Talley and Dr. Johnson. This training provided the MSOs the knowledge necessary to implement this technology into the care provided to citizens.

High Performance CPR

Members completed fourth quarter CBT training which focused on High Performance CPR for both pediatrics and adults. A special thanks to all the instructors that took the time to teach this important skill.

Training & Safety

Fire Academy Graduation

The Snohomish County Fire Training Academy (SCFTA) Class 22-3 has finished their last live fire training for this academy. The 11 SFRF recruits have excelled in this academy and demonstrated a strong work ethic. Strong work recruits. Thank you to the SCFTA staff and instructors for their dedication to high quality firefighter training. The academy graduation will be held on December 1, 7:00 p.m., at the City of Mukilteo Rose Hill Community Center.



SRFR Probationary Process Completion

Probationary firefighters from the class of 21-2 are in the process of completing their final Training Division Evaluations. These firefighters have spent the last year completing the Probationary Firefighter requirements for SRFR. The final evaluation is an opportunity for them to demonstrate the culmination of a year's work. Congratulations to Probationary Class 21-2. Thank you to the crews, Lieutenants, and Battalion Chiefs for their investment into the future of the organization.

Recruitment Committee

The SRFR Recruitment Committee and the Training Division are out actively recruiting future employees. This includes job fairs at Shoreline Community College and the Everett Community College. The committee continues to meet to support the recruitment process.

New Firefighter Class 23-1

The Training Division is hosting a gear fitting and meet & greet for SRFR hire class 23-1. These prospective employees have been given conditional offers by SRFR with a projected hire date of January 2nd. At this event the prospective employees are given recommendations for physical readiness and suggestions on how to prepare for day one with SRFR. Congratulations to the 20 prospective employees.

PLANNING

Community Relations

Public Education Updates

School Visits:

- **Kinder: 8 Classes YTD**
Completed: Fryelands Elem. (3 Classes), Mt. Pilchuck Elem. (5 Classes)
Working on creating a training video to refresh crews on Toys vs. Tools. Reaching out to schools in the Spring.
- **1st Grade: 4 Classes YTD**
Completed: Fryelands Elem. (4 Classes)
- **2nd Grade: 7 Classes YTD**
Completed: Salem Woods Elem (4 Classes), Chain Lake Elementary (3 Classes)
Reaching out to schools to get 2nd Grade classes scheduled in January.
- **High School: 13 Classes YTD**
Completed: Cavelero Mid High-Impact Teen Driver (13 Classes), Career Tour for Automotive Students (49 Students)
Scheduled: Cavelero Mid High-Hands Only CPR (13 Classes)

Adult & Senior Safety Classes YTD: **10**

Completed:

- 11.09.22: Aging in Place Class at Monroe Senior Center



- 11.09.22: Aging in Place Class Online
- 11.16.22: Aging in Place Class: Lake Stevens Senior Center

Scheduled:

- 12.7.22: Disaster Prep Class: Lake Stevens Senior Center

Completed Community Events:

- Frylands Elementary Fire Appreciation Week: Students lined the hallways and to show their appreciation for police and fire.

Upcoming Community Events:

- 11.19.22: Lake Stevens Toy Drive
- 12.3.22: Lake Stevens WinterFest
- 2.18.22: Scout Open House

Public Information

Social Media Snapshot: November 2 - 15

- 15 Posts
- 22 New Followers/Accounts
- 27,352 Impressions/Engagement/Clicks

External Media:

- Snohomish County Tribune "Local Heroes"
http://www.snoho.com/publications/HEROES_22/Heroes_0922.pdf

Internal Media:

- Deputy Chief Craig Clinton's Retirement
- Admin Assistant Opening
- Daylight Savings "Check Alarms"
- Lake Stevens House Fire – 97th Ave ST
- Veteran's Day
- Stage 1 Burn Ban
- Monroe Mayor Proclamation for Fire and Police Appreciation Week
- Shoreline Community College Career Fair
- SRFR Water Rescue Team Hosting San Diego Navy Platoon for 40 hour class
- Monroe Cub Scouts Recognize SRFR for Fire/Police Appreciation Week

The PIEO team is finalizing the 2021 Annual Report.

Website: PIEO King and PIEO Mongillo are working with our webmaster to update the SRFR website with current content on the following pages:

- About Us Section and Recruitment/Employment Pages
- Station Locations



- Burn Permit Usability
- Overall Website Usability

ADMINISTRATION

Liz Loomis Consulting

SRFR has retained the services of Liz Loomis Consulting to assist the District in educating the public regarding the proposition to maintain the Board of Fire Commissioner size at seven.

Monroe School District Superintendent Recruitment

November 16, staff assisted the Monroe School District by participating in a focus group to help identify qualities desired of a new Superintendent.

Snohomish Fire District 4

Senior Staff from SRFR and Snohomish Fire District 4 continue to discuss improved and expanded potential partnerships.

Station 76 Transition

Staff continue to work with the City of Mill Creek and South County Fire to facilitate a transition of service at Station 76. The target date for service transition is December 13, 2022.

As we enter the holiday season and a busy week of visiting family and friends, I wish you all a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving. I greatly appreciate our community and every member of the SRFR team. Thank you!

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief