

UPCOMING
EVENTS

- July 12 Regular
Session Board
Meeting
7:00pm—
Headquarters
- July 13
JCMOFA
Board Meeting
7:00 pm—
Station 5

July
TRAININGS
Safe Emergency
Vehicle Ops

- 5: Station 6 7pm
- 7: Stations 2,3,9 at
Station 3 7pm
- 14: Station 4 7pm
- 19: Stations 7 & 8
at Station 8 7pm
- 21: Station 5 7pm
- 26: Station 1 7pm
- 28: Station 10 7pm

OTHER
TRAININGS/
MEETINGS

- 16: Recruit
Training at HQ
8am

District Dispatch

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Truck - Truck - What's in the Truck?

Some of you may have heard, but for those of you that have not and just to make sure everyone understands clearly, we just bought two used ambulances. STOP – don't jump to that conclusion!! We are NOT getting into the ambulance provider business. The vehicles, purchased from Johnson County Ambulance District, have already been re-titled and are no longer licensed as ambulances.

So your next thought is "If we aren't doing ambulance service, then why buy ambulances?". We have been shopping for used vehicles that would serve the District for two distinct purposes and through the searching we normally returned to an ambulance being the best option to meet our purposes. With the recent replacement of ambulances by JCAD we were afforded an opportunity to pick up two units, that although they have fairly high mileage from the many transports, still operate well and are not in terrible condition. Additionally, buying locally allowed us to purchase at well below the advertised rates for other similar units from other areas of the country. Both units will undergo some cosmetic upgrades and will be painted and lettered in the same general format as Rescue 317. Once that work is completed they will begin their new life as part of the District and hopefully will serve for many years to come.

One unit will be assigned to the Water Rescue Division and will become the primary people and equipment mover. The unit will allow the Division members to place many items of needed equipment in a "permanent" spot on the vehicle, which will help with their responses as they won't have to wait to completely load a vehicle each time they are needed for a response. The vehicle will allow the water rescue

members the same luxury each of our fire related people have in having their equipment in a standardized location on the vehicle for each response. When this new vehicle is fully operational the Explorer currently being utilized by the Division will return to Headquarters leaving the water rescue folks with their new rescue vehicle and the Dodge truck they currently have along with the District's rescue boat and other equipment.

The second unit will potentially serve in more than one capacity based on District need, but the primary function for the vehicle will be a dedicated rehabilitation vehicle. The unit will be equipped with items currently maintained by the District or the Auxiliary used specifically for rehabilitation purposes. The addition of this vehicle will allow the Auxiliary to reduce the use of their personal vehicles while responding to

our incidents to provide their valuable services. The vehicle will also provide a space for heating or cooling our personnel inside the climate controlled box compartment. This vehicle will primarily be utilized by members of the auxiliary for its primary purpose. The vehicle is also capable of being a substitute rescue vehicle should we have occasions that Rescue 317 is not operable by simply removing the rehabilitation items and adding the extrication equipment for the interim while waiting on repairs.

The units are currently in the process of being placed in service and you will hopefully see them both in action in the near future. No changes to procedures or requests for service are dictated by these additions - you will simply get the same quality service provided by the same personnel only in a different vehicle.



Procedure Reminder...

It's official...there is a **NEW** policy!

The Board of Directors has adopted a new policy. If you have not yet heard about it or read Policy P2011-002 entitled "Fire Auxiliary" let us give you the highlights. To better aid the members of the Auxiliary who provide valuable aid to us and Johnson County Fire Protection District #2 we have officially made the Auxiliary a part of the District. This move will not change how or when you get assistance from the Auxiliary so continue on as you have and don't hesitate to call them if their services are needed. By making the Auxiliary a part of the District we are able to assist them with a vehicle that they can operate to better consolidate and transport their personnel, equipment and supplies to incidents. We are also able to cover these hard working and dedicated personnel with insurance to assist if they are injured while working for us just as our other personnel are covered when on an incident scene. Other more subtle benefits exist and all are favorable to the Auxiliary and the District. Please continue to support the Auxiliary as you have in the past and remember call them when you think you will need their assistance.



4/30/11
 Brian Reynolds and John Brown (not pictured) receive a Life Saving Award presented at the 2011 FFAM Convention

"It requires less character to discover the faults of others, than to tolerate them."
 J. Petit Senn

5/26/11
 Walter McCannon receives a Brain Saver Award presented by the American Heart Association for his life saving efforts during a medical incident



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| <p>Signs of heat exhaustion: Clammy skin * Loss of color in skin Sweating * Dry mouth Headache * Thirst</p> <p>Research shows that people should never technically get thirsty. If you feel thirsty, there's a good chance you're already dehydrated. If you see any of the above exhaustion signs get out of the heat immediately. Drink plenty of cool fluids. If there is no improvement, call 911.</p> | <p>Signs of major heat exposure (heat stroke): High body temp (over 103°F) Confusion * Poor breathing Seizures * Stopped sweating Weak Pulse * Hot dry skin to the touch Fainting/Loss of consciousness</p> <p>If you see any of the above exposure signs get the person out of the heat immediately and call 911. Heat stroke always requires medical attention.</p> |
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It's already July...Do You Know What Your Training Status Is?

2011 is flying by and we are already half way through the year.

Do you know what your training status is???

Policy 2002-001 Attendance and Participation—Training/Meetings states that...

1. All fire fighters shall attend and participate in no less than 50% of all District training meetings scheduled at their respective station during a calendar year.
2. All fire fighters shall attend no less than one scheduled District training meeting per quarter of the calendar year.
3. All Captains and Lieutenants shall attend and participate in no less than 75% of all scheduled District training meetings at a station level at their assigned station during the calendar year.
4. Any member may attend the District training held in any station during the same month and on the same subject matter if they have been or will be forced to miss the meeting held at their respective station.
5. Any member may attend the scheduled make-up District training meeting as scheduled by the Training Division for the meeting topic the member did not attend.

If you have anything you would like to share in the District Dispatch, just contact the office at (660)747-5220 or email at jcfpd@jcfpd.net

