



THE WILTON ASHES

WFPD New Hire Orientation

- By Richard Essaff, Engineer, WFPD

April 29th Wilton Fire Protection District hosted a new hire orientation that welcomed three new members into our firefighter family. Bryan Eisenbeisz and Dustin Wilson are new shift personnel and Lorenzo Wood is a new volunteer that is going to be responding out of station 81. Captain Jones, Eng. Fernandez, Eng. Miller and myself (Eng. Essaff) hosted the event at station 81. The orientation covered; PPE, SCBAs, radios, fire apparatus familiarization, district familiarization, station upkeep, and new hire packets. Each of the new hires are excited to be working with all of us, so if you see a new face in a Wilton Fire T-shirt shake their hand and welcome them .



Captain Jones giving instruction to the new hires with the help of WFPD Engineers; Essaff, Fernandez, and Miller.

“Committed to the care and protection of the community we serve”

“Supporting the morale and welfare of the Wilton Community”

Key Dates To Remember

May 15, 2014 - Relay for Life Pizza Fundraiser. 4:00pm—8:00pm at Pizzabell on Grantline Road

May 20, 2014 - WFPD Captains Meeting, 6:00pm at Administrative Building.

May 20, 2014 - WFPD Tues. night Drill, 7:00pm at Station 81.

May 21, 2014 - WFPD Board Meeting, 7:00pm at Station 81.

May 24, 2014 - WFA Association Meeting, 7:00am at Station 81.

May 24, 2014 - WFPD Monthly Drill, 8:00—12:00pm at Station 81.

June 21, 2014 - WFPD Open House

Chief’s Message

- By Jeff Cookson, Interim Fire Chief, WFPD

Hello all. I would first like to thank all of you for welcoming me as your Interim Fire Chief. I take this responsibility on with my number one priority being the success of our department internally and within the county. Our department is admired by many for our training program, our community involvement as well as our streamlined operations. I take great pride in our volunteers and shift personnel for making all of these areas a success.

We have had a few changes within the department this past month. I would like to welcome some new and returning faces around the Fire House. Lorenzo Wood is a new 81 Resident Volunteer, Bryan Eisenbeisz and Dustin Wilson as new Shift Volunteers and finally Captain Marcus Klinkhammer has returned to the department. Please make a point to get to know our new and returning brothers. We also had new job opportunities posted for vacate positions within our department. I would like to congratulate Brice Bennett, our new Public Education Officer, Bryan Jones, new Training Captain and Marcus Klinkhammer, our new Fire Prevention Officer. Thank you to these individuals for stepping up and assisting to make our Fire District succeed.

Just as Chief Dark had, I continue to have the open door policy. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns. To those of you who I have already had a chance to sit down with, thank you for your kinds words and positive feedback.

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Announcements

- Congratulations to the following individuals. Bryan Jones for Training Captain, Marcus Klinkhammer for the Prevention Officer position, and Brice Bennett for Public Education Officer.
- If you would like for the WFA to use a personal email address other than the issued Wilton Fire Protection District email address, please send me an email.
- Rehab 81 is officially in service and is now in the CAD system.

Wilton Fire Statistics:

April 2014 Incidents:	32
April 2013 Incidents:	33

Who's The Cook for May:

"May Sign-up"

Everyone is asked to lend a helping hand. It's a great opportunity to get to know your fellow brother and sister before each drill.

Operations/Training Message

- By Casey Robinson, Battalion Chief WFPD

I would first like to thank Captain Bryan Jones, Engineer Cody Miller and Engineer Richard Essaff for stepping up to help with Training. I know that these guys will take Training to the next level and make it bigger and better! If you have ideas for training, topics which you think Firefighters need training on, or upcoming / new topics...please let Captain Jones know.

Second, a big thanks goes out to all the Firefighters who have approached me in the past few weeks to express their support, and to offer assistance with projects. As you all know, there are a lot of "things" that need to get accomplished. If you do not have a current special assignment, feel free to let me know you are interested. We have a special assignment for all who are interested in taking one on!

Training - We are now in Wildland Fire Season! In the month of May (20th and 24th), we will be holding Wildland training. Preparation will take place during the Tuesday night drill. Live fire burns will take place during the Saturday morning drill. We hope all Firefighters come out and get in on the hands on experience!

Remember, the WFPD Open House will be held at Station 81 on June 21st. This will be the Saturday drill. We will need everybody's help to pull this off. Please send me an email to let me know which assignment you are interested in helping with!

As we move forward on this new path...we hope that you all stay engaged and active. As you know, a Department cannot function efficiently and effectively without its people. You all are our most valuable asset. As you have seen in the past few weeks, Chief Cookson and I are working hard to make necessary changes and improve the quality of life for all the Firefighters in this organization. If you see items that need fixing, adjusting, or improving, please let me know. Both Chief Cookson and I have "open door" policies....this means we are always available for a discussion. Feel free to stop by and chat, or send off an email if we miss you at the Station.

Remember - get hydrated, stay safe, train often and work hard!

Quote of the Month:

"If your dream is a big dream, and if you want your life to work on a high level that you say you do, there's no way around doing the work it takes to get you there."

- Joyce Chapman

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