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Monthly Report

To: Honorable Mayor, Council Members, City Administrator
From: Christopher W. Cross, Fire Chief
Date: September 4, 2009
Re: Fire Department Report for the months of May, June, July, August

Statistics

Attached are the statistics for the Fire Department Report.

Special Events

May

WHFFA Pancake Day

May 17 was the Association's 57th Annual Pancake Day. Members worked tirelessly to serve breakfast to over 1000 citizens and guests. This event was an overwhelming success! A portion of the proceeds from the event will help to purchase protective clothing for the members of the Fire Department.

Teddy Bear Patrol

WHFD collected bears supplied by KDSM Fox 17 to give to children during traumatic situations.



June

All America City Competition

Austin Vandeberg and Chief Cross from the FD participated in the AAC event in Tampa, FL. Even though Windsor Heights was not victorious, we have a great deal to be proud of. FF Vandeberg served as a member of the color guard, and Chief Cross assisted with the presentation skit.



Iowa Regional Summer Fire School – Ames

Chief Cross, along with Deputy Chief Scott Lyon of the Clive Fire Department, presented the program entitled "The Courage to be Safe, So Everyone Goes Home". The program focuses on creating a culture of safety in the fire service, and analyzes and helps to define strategies to reduce the line of duty deaths in the fire service.



July

Independence Day Celebration

The WHFD celebrated with most of the Western Suburbs by attending parades in West Des Moines, Urbandale, and Windsor Heights. After the parades, the Fire Department provided safety support for the fireworks display.



August

Clive/Urbandale/Windsor Heights Training Tower Update

Progress on the combined training tower project is progressing nicely. The contractor advised that construction on the foundation of the building will begin late August and be completed by middle September. The erection process will begin in late September and be completed in early November.



West Metro Fire Training Academy

The fall academy cycle is underway. WHFD has 3 recruits in the program. Officers from the WHFD are assisting the academy and the recruits with instruction and mentorship. Once the students receive their NFPA 1001 training in protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus, they will be issued pagers and invited to "ride out" with the battalions to observe real world experiences to link back to their classroom education.

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