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ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

December 2019 Edition

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Good News #15: 2019.12.03 Medic-2, AC-2 Woodland Beach and Engine-402 West Annapolis

From: **Wendy**
Date: Tue, Dec 3, 2019 at 10:07 PM
Subject: Labor day incident
To: <fd001329@aacounty.org>

Dear Fire Chief Trisha Wolford,

As I look back at 2019, I am so thankful for the pristine care my child received when in danger. On Labor Day 2019, my 7 year old son was burned by boiling water after running into his grandmother (my mother) while she was cooking. He received deep 2nd degree burns to his scalp, face, neck and back. Within 5 minutes of calling for assistance, your crews from Medic Unit 02(Woodland Beach) and E402 (West Annapolis) and AC02 (Woodland Beach) were on the scene and began providing care. My son was taken from Edgewater to John Hopkins Pediatric Hospital. During this 30-40 minute drive, John Rzepkowski kept my son comfortable by providing him with the appropriate medication and reassuring him that all would be okay. They allowed him to have input to the care he was offered while keeping him calm. Kevin Shoff provided swift and safe transport while being extremely supportive to my mother who sat in the front of the ambulance feeling terrible about the incident that had just taken place. They cared for 2 of the most important people in my life during a time of vulnerability and need. My son recalls being in the back of the ambulance with a nice man with a dark hat (John Rzekowski) while watching cartoons. My mother recalls the ongoing care during which she and my son were constantly being asked about his pain level. The driver of the ambulance, paramedic Kevin Shoff even offered my mother his personal cell phone as her phone battery died and she was unable to alert others which hospital they were going to.

These two men not only carried out their job requirements professionally, but they went above and beyond simply providing medical care and transport. They provided comfort and kindness to my loved ones during a time of extreme vulnerability. I am so thankful for these heroes that work through holidays, sacrificing time with their loved ones to care for mine.

My son went on to receive great care at Johns Hopkins. Six weeks later, his burns are healing beautifully and are almost unnoticeable. We are so very lucky. Please thank paramedics John Rzepkowski and Kevin Shoff as well as the others who responded so promptly from our family. We are so grateful for their service during this holiday season.

Sincerely,
Wendy



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Good News #16: 2019.12.11 Captains @ South River High School

The following members received a Thank You letter and Certificate of Appreciation from South River High School for participation in their 2019 Mock Interview program preparing students for the workforce. Nice Job Captains!

1. Captain Joe Cvach
2. Captain Erik Kornmeyer
3. Captain Kent Roddy
4. Captain Stephen Stanton



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South River High School

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November 22, 2019

Captain Stephen Stanton
8501 Veterans Highway
Millersville, Maryland 21108

RE: Mock Interviews

Dear Captain Stanton,

On behalf of the Junior Class of South River High School, I would like to thank you for your time and expertise during our Mock Interviews. Your participation in this program has provided the students with the opportunity to hear from the professional community about the expectations they will face in the future workplace. Your contribution and expertise as a business partner has made this unique experience that much more of a wonderful learning opportunity for our students.

Enclosed, you will find a certificate of appreciation for your participation in the 2019 Mock Interviews at South River High School. Our students genuinely appreciate the time you have taken out of your busy day.

Thank you again for your dedication to South River High School. We could not have such wonderful learning experiences without the support of our community member and business partners. I hope to you will continue volunteering for our Mock Interviews.

With sincere thanks,

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Good News #11: 2019.12.28 Engine 51, Medic 5 Waugh Chapel and Battalion Chief-4

From: Kathryn Burroughs
Date: Thu, Jan 2, 2020 at 3:34 PM
Subject: MVC on 12/28/19
To: <twolford@aacounty.org>

Chief Wolford,

I am writing to you today to commend your staff on a job well done. We were involved in a serious motor vehicle collision around 6:10pm on 12/28/19 at the intersection of Route 3 and 175.

The response time was amazing and everyone that arrived showed great concern for our well being. I'm sure the EMS providers thought I was crazy signing the refusal form due to the injuries I had sustained. However, my husband and I both Emergency Medicine Physician Assistants and continued to monitor each other and our children. We were even checked out later by another one of our provider friends. You can reassure the medic that my blood pressure came down fairly quickly - ha ha - and that no one had any broken bones or internal injuries (though seat belt marks are a sure sign to get checked out - so I commend them for that).

It was a very chaotic scene and your staff, in addition to the police, did a great job with scene control and keeping my children calm. Kudos to everyone on a job well done.

Fondly,
Kathryn Burroughs, M.S., PA-C
MedStar Union Memorial Hospital EMS Liaison
SEMSAC Member