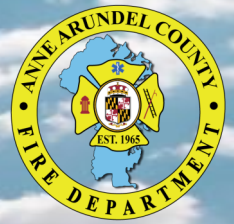




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Good News #92 AACOFD - Vaccination Praise

Letters to the Editor, Annapolis Capital, February 14, 2021

Vaccination praise

All Anne Arundel County personnel involved in administering the vaccine are deserving of recognition.

My wife and I had interaction with both Anne Arundel Community College and Severna Park High School vaccination clinics in the last week. We went to the community college last Friday to make appointments and due to weather, the cancellation of our Sunday vaccinations was rescheduled to Severna Park High School for Thursday.

I had interactions with Anne Arundel County personnel by computer, phone, and in person.

We met firefighters as well as nurses, and staff from schools all over the county. Everyone we came in contact with or interacted with was polite, efficient, and represented their professions and Anne Arundel County very well. When I say everyone, I mean software engineers, telephone operators, greeters, staff, nurses and fire department personnel administering the shot, and custodial staff that marked the trails, set up stations, and cleaned the areas.

The results were successful vaccinations!

Bill Matton, Davidsonville



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Good News #93 Co.26 South Glen Burnie - EMS Incident Thank You

Feb 15, 2021
Fm: John & Kathy Norville
To: "A.A. Co. Fire Co. #26 Chief Trisha Wolford"

Chief Trisha Wolford,

On this morning Tue. Feb. 15 ~ 2:30 am, I fell in my bedroom & couldn't get up. I'm 84 & maybe was unusually weakened by a recent vaccine booster vaccine - unknown cause. We both had both vaccine shots. Despite an ~ half hour of efforts, & with my wife with a bad back trying to help, I still could not get off the floor onto our bed.

So for the 1st time in my life I called 911 & was promptly & courteously transferred to your Fire Station, with a courteous & friendly Dispatch. Within minutes! three strong & courteous Firemen appeared & gently & ably lifted my 210 lbs. onto our bed, checking my condition, with no apparent injuries.

We are impressed & grateful for their swift & very helpful response & assistance. I seem O.K. today.

Please COMMEND all 3 & the Dispatcher & relay our gratitude to them.

Dr. John Norville, D.B.A.
Millersville, MD
[U.S Naval Reserve, Ret.]



B-Shift
Engine-261
Lt. Joe Holland
FF III Benjamin Wolford
FF/PM Matthew Sandrovitz
Fire Alarm
FCO Scott Small



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Good News #94 Co.40 Annapolis - Off-Duty Firefighter Christopher Williams Makes Rescue in Gettysburg Fire

From: GFD Deputy Chief J.Temarantz
Date: Mon, Mar 1, 2021
Subject: RE: Baltimore Street Fire
To: Russ Davies

Captain Davies,

Thank you for reaching out to me in regards to FF Williams. This am at 0421 we were dispatched for the building fire with entrapment w/additional information of 2 buildings involved and a vehicle into the structures. I arrived on scene of 2 well involved structures on Side A and was informed there were people on Side C of the structure helping rescue residents from the building. While I was working on an additional size up I was met by FF Williams and another local FF who reported that they helped these residents off a rear porch of the main fire building to safety and there were no more visible residents needing assistance. FF Williams then proceeded to assist me in flaking out a handline and backing me up in the street while we darkened down the fire until my interior Engine Co. crew was masked up and ready to enter. FF Williams advised me he was coming through town on his way to work when he came across the fire and began to assist the trapped residents with the help of others.

Later in the day I was able to obtain additional information in that FF Williams and the other local FF worked with a nearby neighbor who was also there to assist by boosting him up onto the rear porch/balcony of the fire building who then assisted the resident up and over the banister railing down to FF Williams and the other FF where they further assisted her to a safe area.

With the actions of FF Williams and our local FF and neighbor they undoubtedly helped to save a life today as there were not other means of egress for this resident (59 YOF) as well ensured other residents who were evacuating the building made it to safety.

Thank you
Joe



Joe Temarantz, Deputy Chief
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**FF III Christopher Williams
Co.40 B-shift**



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Michael Gorsegner

@MikeGorsegner

Amazingly, 2 firefighters were driving by 519 Baltimore St in Gettysburg at 4:20 am and helped save 2 residents from the burning building. One works for @AACoFD and was driving to work. @CBS21NEWS

Anne Arundel County Firefighter Chris Williams and Cashtown volunteer Firefighter Michael Six were both heading to work, separately, and happened upon the incident. They joined forces to jump into action.

"We will do a lot to save a lot. That was my intention at that point. If somebody needed out, I am going to do the best I can to get them," Williams said. Williams and Six worked together to search the first floor and rescue a woman. Then, the two firefighters hoisted a third man onto the second floor balcony and lowered a lady down to safety.



**FF III Christopher Williams
Co.40 B-shift**



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Good News #95 Co.42 Deale - EMS Incident Thank You

From: John Wyvill
Date: Fri, Mar 5, 2021
Subject: Call in Rose Haven
To: Fire Chief Trish Wolford

Chief

I would like to let you know the wife of Sherman [REDACTED] DCFD Retired Fire-fighter and Paramedic who passed away this past Sunday evening 2/28/21 in Rose Haven Md.

Alicia (wife) ask me to please pass this message on and let you know how great of job the crew did trying to revive him. Sherman and Alicia spoke about many times due to his heart problems and told Alicia in his words (he wants it all) let the crew use every avenue to revive me. Alicia said Sherman would have been so proud of the Paramedics and Crew for their great work.

Sherman was one of the first Paramedic in DCFD and was Instructor at the DCFD training center for many years I am sure Asst. Chief Schultz worked with him some time over his DCFD career.

P.S. Please pass on to Larry Schultz.

Stay Safe and keep up the good work.

Jeff Wyvill DCFD Retired
President Rose Haven Civic Assc.

A-shift

Engine-421 A-Shift

Lt. Eric Rung
FF III Jeremy Hurley
FF III Stephen Brubacher
II

Engine-91

Lt. Essel Farlow
FF III James Russell
FF II Glen Whiteley

Medic-9

FF/PM Wendy Mullins
FF II Isaac Riggs

EMS-3

Lt. Cory Polidore



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Good News #96 Co.28 Odenton - EMS Incident Thank You

Mar 4, 2021
Fm: Scott [REDACTED]
To: FireChief@aacounty.org

Chief,

I'd like to take a moment to express my sincere thanks for the care I received Monday morning by members of the fire department.

When I woke up I had chest pain/discomfort that I'd never felt before and called for an ambulance. Within a few minutes, if that, members from Odenton Volunteer Fire Dept. were at my door and immediately started checking me out. Very shortly after their arrival, the medic unit arrived. The four of them were quick and efficient in getting my vitals and information and got me out the door and into the medic unit with no issues.

I never got the name of the paramedic who drove, but Bill Strevig rode in the back with me and took great care of me. He knew I was nervous and scared at the beginning and did an EXCELLENT JOB of calming me down, explaining what was going on, what they were doing for me, how things were going and where we were along the route to BWMC. I have to say that before we pulled away from my house, he had me feeling much more comfortable about the situation. During the ride to the hospital we started a conversation about my job as a police officer (they had noticed my car in the driveway) and how that was going and we discussed how busy AACFD is, as we see/hear them running up and down Piney Orchard Parkway at all hours of the day. When we arrived at the hospital, the other paramedic joined in our conversations and was equally as pleasant and polite as they continued to keep me calm. They bot stayed with me until I was turned over to the hospital.

I've been a police officer for a municipality in Prince George's County for almost 21 years. I'm also an associate/non-riding member of a volunteer fire station in Prince George's County. I have the occasion to work alongside fire department personnel on almost a daily occasion and I have to say that the level of care and concern exhibited by your members this past Monday morning was top notch. I know that no one in public safety goes into their profession seeking recognition for doing their job but I felt it necessary to let you know of the outstanding job your members did.

I'm happy to say that my event was not cardiac related and I'm back home. I do know that if things were going differently Monday morning, I would've received the best care possible from the paramedics. If at all possible, please pass along my sincere thanks to those involved. They really made one of the most scariest moments I've ever had much easier to deal with.

Thank you again and stay safe!
Scott [REDACTED]



Medic-4 B-Shift

FF/PM William Strevig

FF II Mark Ruff



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Good News #97 Co.12 Earleigh Heights - EMS Incident Thank You

March 20, 2021
Fm: Chelsea Davey
To: Lt. John McDonough & Lt. Michael Kopchinski

The patient from 500 block O'Donnel Court called in today and wanted to make sure that the crew from MUI2 on their call from 3/20/21 was thanked for their phenomenal care and professionalism.

The incident number is 202117992. Looking at Telestaff -- the crew was PM Shannon Kay (2013), FF Brent Franklin (1557), and it looks like they had a ride along that day as well.

Please forward this word of praise to the appropriate persons, so the crew can be thanked.

--
FCO Chelsea Davey
Anne Arundel County Fire Dept.
Communications Division
Shift C

A-Shift

Medic-12

**FF/PM Shannon Kay
FF II Brent Franklin**