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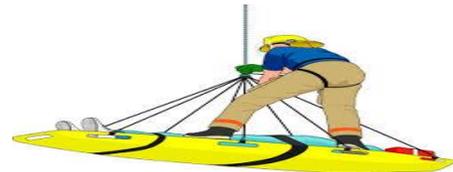
DRILL SCHEDULE

Jan 1	NO DRILL New Year's Day
Jan 15	Hose Evolutions & Hose Loads Respective Stations 1900 hours
Feb 5	Portable Extinguishers, Ropes & Knots, Kitchen & Chimney Fires Respective Stations 1900 hours
Feb 19	Active Shooter All Battalions at Station 64 1900 hours

Training and Drill Schedule Subject to Change

Jan-Feb	Mandatory – ONLINE DRILL Bloodborne Pathogens Anti- Harassment Training
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Any questions on training, please contact:
Captain Jason Keune at VFPD desk 707-230-6175
or email jason.keune@vfpd.net



The Search and Rescue Team is made up from active members of the District. The purpose of the Team is to search for and provide aid to those who are in distress or imminent danger. The Search and Rescue Team will meet on **January 24th at 1830 for a RECRUITMENT DINNER and TRAINING** at Station 64. Pay attention to pager tests for updated information. Any questions, please contact Captain Mark Hesel by email at mark.hesel@vfpd.net

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Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association

The VVFA is made up from active members of the District. The object of the Association shall be community service and to promote a fellowship and social program amongst and for the Vacaville Fire Protection District personnel, their families, and the community.

December Association Meeting

The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association met and voted on the 2024 Board. Your VVFA Board is as follows: President Bryan Fay, Vice President Mark Helsel, Secretary Paul Dahlen, Treasurer Robert Duvall. Executive board: Todd Lechuga, Robert Jacoby, Justin Means, Garrett Ceremony and Justin Harrison.

January Association Meeting

The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association will meet for our Annual Crab, Clams and Lasagna Dinner Meeting January 8th at 1900 hours for Dinner and Meeting to follow. Please remember that in the Association, there is no rank but there is respect. Newer members should follow the lead of the elders and help with clean up without having to be asked. Just do. That goes a long way in the eyes of the members. No uniforms are required for dinner meetings.

Solano County Firemen's Association

Suisun City Retirees will be holding the January Dinner Meeting at **VACAVILLE FIRE DISTRICT STATION 65** in Elmira at 1800 hours on Friday January 19th. This meeting will include introduction of the 2024 Board, awards, and Lifetime inductees. Please sign up at Station 64 so they have a proper head count. If you're not on the list you could be charged up to \$15.00 at the door. You may attend with your spouse or significant other.



EVENTS

Past



Rick Brumm has retired from his regular career job with Bradley Electric. Rick worked with Bradley electric for 21 years but served his field of knowledge for the last 47 years. Congratulations on your retirement Rick.



The Annual CMF Pizza Feed was held on Thursday, Dec 7th at Station 70. 18 VVF Members and 2 VVF Retirees attended along with 4 Retired Members from the CMF Crew, the Warden and many grateful members of the inmate crew. They look forward to this event every year. This is Vacaville Districts way of thanking them for all they do to assist us on calls and training events. Thank you to all who took time to attend and enjoy the comradery.



The Vavaville Fire District Annual Christmas Dinner was a hit. Approximately 40 people attended with families and kids. Thank you to Mark Helsel and team for getting this all set up. The decorations and food were excellent. Santa showed up for the kids and everyone had a good time. It was nice to see all the families together again. Hopefully we can keep this up and make it a bigger event every year.

EVENTS Upcoming



The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association Annual Crab Dinner is on January 8th. If you aren't a member of the Association yet, this is a good one to start at. This is a dinner meeting so families are not allowed. All Retirees and Directors may attend. Bring your bibs and a ToGo bag.



The Annual Awards Dinner will be on January 27th at Station 64. This is Formal. Class A uniforms should be worn. Class B uniform with tie or casual shirt and tie, if you don't have a Class A uniform. Social begins at 1730 with dinner at 1800. Awards presentation and video to follow. Vasquez Deli will be providing dinner. **ALL PHOTOS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED TO GARRETT CEREMONY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so he has time to create a nice video for our entertainment and recollection of events throughout 2023.** Email Garrett at garrett.ceremony@vfpd.net.



WEBSITE vfpd.net

The Vacaville Fire Protection District Website is up and running and is being updated regularly. There are links to video's, photos, and public information like types of allowable burns, types of burn permits and their differences. Dates to remember will be posted as well. Department approved clothing items will soon be available to order through the website only. Applications are now available through the website only. Spread the word if you know someone interested in volunteering.



WEBSITE vfpd.net

Navigating the Website:

- Step 1) Look for your search bar on the internet.
- Step 2) Type vfpd.net into the search bar and hit Enter
- Step 3) Scroll up or down to find a category of interest.
- Step 4) Put your mouse or cursor over that category and press enter.

That subject will then be displayed.

Reminders!

- Securing stations/vehicle – before leaving for the night, all doors are to be locked and all vehicles shall be properly secured.
- The District Equipment storage area is provided for your gear and only the assigned member should be in the assigned area. Do not borrow any equipment from the assigned storage area.
- Fuel (top off), clean, and lock up units upon returning to stations after meetings, incidents, Duty Officer Assignment, etc. Take time to fill out the gas log neatly and completely.
- Station cleaning – it shall be the responsibility of all members to assist in keeping their assigned station clean.
- **Fire Reports: Always assign someone as the "Reporting Officer."** All reports must be completed in ESO and turned in by noon the day after the incident. If the incident is cancelled, a report must still be submitted. **Please do not put any times on the Incident Report**, those are put in by administration. Also make sure Attendance Rosters (VFPD #68) are submitted with estimated times.

"New Recruit Binders" should be checked off and signed. Make sure to get them turned in within the allotted time frame. This is a requirement. See your FTO with any questions.





Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Jan 1 NEW YEARS DAY NO DRILL
- Jan 8 VFVA Dinner Meeting Cab, Clams & Lasagna. 1900 hours at St 64
- Jan 15 DRILL 1900 hours at Respective Station
- Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr Day. Station Closed, No employed personnel on duty.
- Jan 16 Directors Meeting. All are welcome to attend. 1900 hours at Station 64
- Jan 19 Solan County Firemen’s Association Dinner Meeting. 1800 hours at Sta 65
- Jan 24 Search & Rescue. Dinner and Recruitment. 1830 hours at Station 64
- Jan 27 Annual Awards Dinner, Formal Social at 1730 Dinner at 1800
- Feb 5 DRILL 1900 hours Respective Stations
- Feb 12 VFVA Meeting 1900 Hours at Sta 64
- Feb 19 Drill 1900 hours All Battalions at Sta 64
- Feb 19 Pesident’s Day. Station Closed, No employed personnel on duty.



Do you have a fire related item you want to sell? With approval you may post your item here. Please send photos of your items to Jon Nelson, to be added to the Monitor. jdskratchn@aol.com or text to 707-628-4543

\$\$\$ District T-Shirt Flash Sale \$\$\$

The Vacaville Volunteer Fireman’s Association is liquidating!! The new design has been approved and new shirts will be ordered for stock once the old design is depleted. Once depleted, District approved clothing can be ordered through the website only.

ALL T-shirts, ANY SIZE in stock are on sale for \$10. White, Blue, Front/Back and Front only. ALL \$10. All remaining belt buckles are \$8.

Work Shirts are \$50. Sweatshirts are \$15. Mesh- snap back hats are \$5.

And more... ..

Contact Chaplain Robert Duvall at 707-685-5341



The following Items are being sold by Tim Walton. Please contact Tim for prices and availability. Tim’s cell is 707-322-4654.



More From Tim Walton:



MESSAGES FROM YOUR EDITOR

Starting January 2024, the monitor will be available only through a link on the Vacaville Fire Protection District website. vfpd.net



If you have anything you would like printed in the next Monitor; please:

- drop it off at Station 64 with Shilo Moore or
- send Email to Jon Nelson at idskratchn@aol.com or text to 707-628-4543

Please have information to us prior to the 20th of the month. Thank you.

