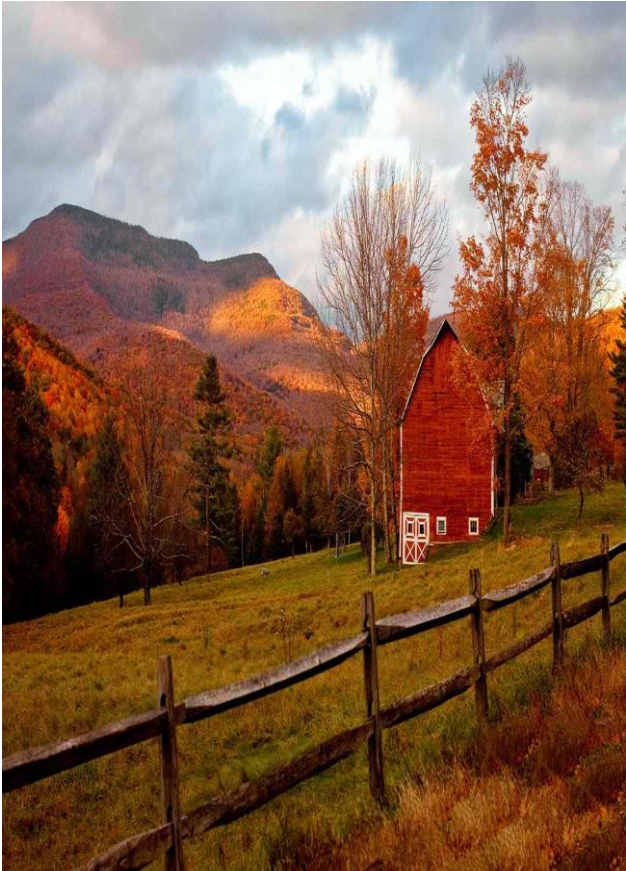


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DRILL SCHEDULE

- Nov 6 **Mandatory Drill**
1900 to 2130 hours
RIC Roles/Responsibilities, SCBA use and care. Possible Fit Testing All Stations at 64
- Nov 20 **Mandatory Drill**
1900 to 2130 hours
RIC Training-Practical's. Removal of down firefighter.
- Oct -Dec **Mandatory - ONLINE DRILL**
SEARCH & RESCUE:
TRENCHING/ SHORING

Any questions on training, please contact:
Captain Jason Keune at VFPD cell 707-365-0151
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 meets the last Wednesday of each month. Training times and locations change so pay attention to pager tests for updated information. Any questions, please contact Captain Mark Hesel by email at mark.hesel@vfpd.net



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.

November Association Meeting

The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association will meet at 1900 hours on November 13th. We will begin nominations for the 2024 year with Elections to be held in December. Remember, for your vote to count you must be in proper attire or uniform.

Solano County Firemen's Association



A smoky Station 65 was the setting for the October Solano County Firemen's Association Quarterly Dinner. The meet was slightly charred, but everyone cleaned their plates. Thank you, Vacaville Fire Protection District for stepping up to host. There were lots of raffle prizes and everyone went away happy. Stay tuned for information of future events.



EVENTS

Past

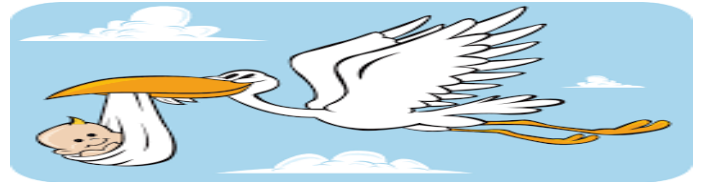


October was FIRE PREVENTION MONTH. Vacaville Fire Protection District was onsite at Lowes in Vacaville on Saturday Oct 14th doing displays, handing out flyers and being accessible to the public. We are always looking for ways to contribute to the community.

Black Bear Diner hosted the Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association Quarterly Dinner. There were many members and retired folks in attendance. Let's get back to a full forum for all Association functions.

EVENTS

Current



Hey, Hey, Hey !!! Congratulations Brian Fay !!! Brian and Maria brought Matthew Jackson Fay into the world on October 16th. Our future Fire Fighter weighed in at 8.5 Lbs. and stretched out to 21 inches tall/long. Congratulations to both of you.



Chaplain Duvall reported that K-9 Kepi was diagnosed with a mast cell tumor. She went through surgery on Monday Oct 23rd to remove the tumor where a second was discovered. Both tumors were removed, and she is recovering well. K9 Kepi should be back to full duty soon. Chaplain Duvall and K-9 Kepi have been partnered together since Nov 2015. Kepi is a detection K-9 specializing in PTSD, Anxiety and Depression. She is an asset to the community. Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery.



EVENTS

**Current
continued**



It is with great sadness to share the news of the passing of one of Vacaville City's Retired Fire Chiefs, Pete Marino. Chief Marino passed away at his home the night of October 21st. Chief Marino was a 30-year veteran of the Vacaville Fire Department and a Retired member of Vacaville Fire District. He was hired as a Fire Fighter in September 1968 and worked his way through the ranks and was appointed Fire Chief to Vacaville City on November 1, 1993. He retired in October 1998.

Chief Marino's Funeral Service will be held at McCune's in Vacaville on Friday November 17th at 0900. The family has requested a "Sea of Blue". Please keep this date in mind to pay respect to Chief Marino and his Family. Class A uniform or Class B with Tie would be the recommended attire. More information will be available as the date gets closer.

EVENTS

Upcoming



Directors Meeting will be November 9th at 1900 hours at Station 64. All are welcome to attend and extend your voice or concerns during the forum.

EVENTS

**Upcoming
continued**



The Annual CMF Pizza Feed will be on Thursday, Dec 7th at 1800 hours. Members stage at Station 64 for transportation on units by 1730. Remember, NO BLUE JEANS. Retired folks are welcome as always via POV or arrangements with The District. This is a Traditional event we do to thank and support the crews from CMF who assist and support us on our calls.



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.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

Nov 6	Drill ALL at Station 64 1900 hours
Nov 9	Board of Directors Meeting 1900 hrs
Nov 11	Veterans Day
Nov 13	VVFA Meeting-Nominations 1900
Nov 17	Funeral for Retired Vacaville City Chief Pete Marino 0900 hours at McCune's
Nov 20	Drill at Respective Stations 1900 hours
Nov 23	Thanksgiving
Nov 24	Black Friday
Dec 4	Drill CPR 64 & 68 at Sta 64 Drill First Aid 65 & 67 at St 64
Dec 7	CMF Pizza Feed 1800 hrs at CMF Pearl Harbor Day
Dec 11	VVFA Meeting-Elections 1900
Dec 16	Vacaville District Christmas Party Family Event 1800 hours
Dec 18	Drill CPR 64 & 68 at Sta 64 Drill First Aid 65 & 67 at St 65
Dec 24-25	Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
12/31-thru 1/1	New Year's Eve, New Year's Day No Drill



- 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.





Do you have a fire related item you want to sell? With approval you may post your item here. Send 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.

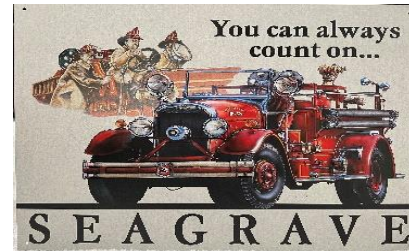
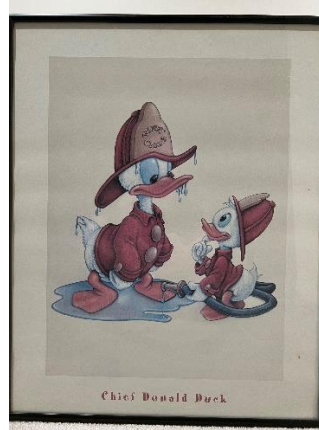
Sweatshirts are \$15.

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 cell is 707-322-4653.



MESSAGES FROM YOUR NEW 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 something 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 jdskratchn@aol.com or text to 707-628-4543

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