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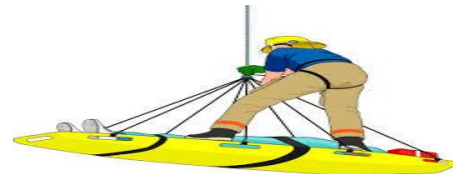
DRILL SCHEDULE

Dec 4 **Mandatory Drill**
1900 to 2130 hours
64 & 68 At Station 64
CPR Refresher
65 & 67 At Station 65
First Aide Review

Dec 18 **Mandatory Drill**
1900 to 2130 hours
65 & 67 At Station 64
CPR Refresher
64 & 68 At Station 65
First Aide Review

Oct -Dec **Mandatory - ONLINE DRILL**
SEARCH & RESCUE:
TRENCHING/ SHORING

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 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

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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.

November Association Meeting

The Vacaville Volunteer Firemen's Association will meet at 1900 hours on December 11th. We will close nominations for the 2024 year and elections will be held. Remember, for your vote to count you must be in proper attire or uniform.

Solano County Firemen's Association

There is no current information for the January Dinner Meeting. Stay tuned for more information in the next newsletter.



EVENTS

Past



On November 11th, the Vacaville Community came together to celebrate our local Veterans at the Veterans Memorial in Andrew's Park. Please keep our Veterans, current Active Duty, Reserve/ Guard and Inactive/ Retired in your minds and hearts throughout this holiday season. Thank you to ALL our District Veterans for your service and dedication to our great nation.



On November 17th, The Vacaville Fire Protection District provided an engine and crew to the funeral service for Pete Marino, Retired Vacaville City Fire Chief and former member of the Vacaville Fire District. Thank you to the District crew and all the Retiree's for attending and showing your support for Pete and his family. Many memories were shared.



EVENTS

Upcoming



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.



The Vacaville Fire Protection District Annual Christmas Dinner and holiday event will be on Saturday December 16th at 1800 hours. This is a Family Event, all are welcome to attend. Please sign up for head count at Station 64 by the 12th. Santa will be making an appearance to hand out gifts to the little ones (ages newborn through 18). If you are planning on participating with the Santa event, please bring a wrapped gift for your child so Santa can hand it out from his hefty bag. Make sure it has your child's name clearly printed. Please keep your gifts at \$25 or less to make it even for all the children. If possible, please bring your Santa gift to Station 64 prior to the dinner, so they can be staged in Sant's bag. A traditional ham dinner and all the holiday side dishes will be served. Mark Helsel is heading up the dinner committee and could use a hand setting up and cooking. Please contact him if you can help.



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.



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.

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

- 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 65 & 67 at Sta 64
Drill First Aid 64 & 68 at Sta 65
- Dec 24-25 Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
- Jan 1 New Year's Day NO DRILL
- Jan 8 VVFA Dinner Meeting Crab n Clams
1800 hours with meeting to follow
- Jan 15 Drill 1900 hours at respective Stations
- Jan 27 Annual Awards Dinner
Social at 1730 Dinner at 1800



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. idskratchn@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.

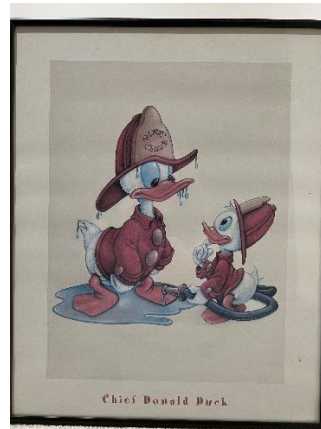
ALL T-shirts, ANY SIZE in stock are on sale for \$10. White, Blue, Front/Back and Front only. ALL \$10. All remaining belt buckles are \$8.

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 707-322-4653.



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

