

HOT NEWS



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MENOMONEE FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

MAINTENANCE UPDATES

Once again, Reliant Fire Apparatus provided annual preventative maintenance, pump testing, aerial testing, and DOT inspections for our fire apparatus fleet in 2023. As a Pierce factory authorized parts and service center, Reliant is uniquely positioned in the Milwaukee area with trained service technicians and the best parts availability. Parts can be a challenge to find (especially air conditioning parts lately) but Reliant has done a great job performing work on our apparatus to keep them in service.

Rush Automotive again conducted annual DOT inspections on our ambulances. Repairs on our ambulances are completed either by Rush or the Village garage depending on what needs repair. These inspections and associated repairs have been completed. Thank you to everyone for your continued care and maintenance of our fleet.

Congratulations to Station 5 for earning the top score in this quarter's station inspections with a score of 256. Each time there is less and less separating the stations from one another. Just like last time, little details made the difference. Are you wondering what things really made Station 5 stand out from the others? Bunkrooms, bathrooms, and the kitchen were just a notch above. Each station is doing a nice job - please keep up the great work.

-Deputy Chief Kevin Rokenbrodt

MFFD MONTHLY INCIDENT COUNTS

JULY 2022

Total Runs - 466

JULY 2023

Fire - 1
 Rescue & Emergency Medical - 305
 Hazardous Condition - 13
 Service Call - 57
 Good Intent Call - 37
 False Alarm & False Call - 39

Total Runs— 452

TRIVIA QUESTION

What unique device can firefighters in Dubai use to fight fires?

- A. Hoverboards
- B. Jetpacks
- C. Electric scooters
- D. Drones

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THE REV'S REFLECTIONS

“Our Calling”

Before I could become a pastor, I had to meet with an Ecclesiastical Council. One of the topics covered in that interview was my calling. In essence, did I feel called to the ministry? Only after a thorough discussion of my call was I allowed to be ordained into the ministry of the United Church of Christ. I believe that pastors are not the only ones who are called. In a very real sense, I believe that you, as sworn members of the Menomonee Falls Fire Department have responded to a call. This is not just a job. It is not just a way to earn a living.

Considering all that is involved—from the additional education, hours of training, the unusual work schedules, to say nothing of the life and death situations that we encounter in the fire and emergency medical service. One has to receive a calling to become a part of this organization. I believe that this call comes from a higher power. And I believe that God not only calls us into this service, but also bestows upon us the attitude and the gifts and talents that we need to respond to that call.

Just as a clergyperson goes through a ceremony of ordination before going into the ministry, so each of you have also had a ceremony when you became a fire fighter or EMT. You took an oath, received a badge, pledged to follow a code of ethics and professionalism. In a very real sense you are engaged in a ministry of helping others, often times when they are most in need of help.

I would encourage each of you to take some time and just reflect how awesome this all is. We are members of one of the most amazing organizations in our community. Each of us have responded to that call to be more and to do more with our lives. Blessings to each and every one of you.

The Rev
Chaplain Russ Knoth

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

8/8	BC Chuck Zielke
8/15	Dan Schroettner
8/26	Randy Garrett
	Paul Griffin
8/27	Justin Biehn
8/29	Paul Krueger

AUGUST WORK ANNIVERSARIES

40 years

8/1/1983 Randy Garrett

16 years

8/7/2007 Jessi Coon

13 years

8/30/2010 Rev. Russ Knoth

10 years

8/6/2013 Wendy Osborne

3 years

8/2/2020 Drake Barczak

1 year

8/22/2022 Mike Peterson



Intraosseous Infusion (IO)
Training

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please join us in congratulating Randy Garrett on 40 years of service with the Menomonee Falls Fire Department!



THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

“Every day may not be good...but there is something good in every day.”

-- Alice Morse Earl

TRIVIA ANSWER

B. Firefighters in Dubai can use jetpacks to fight fire.





MENOMONEE FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

2023 OPEN HOUSES



**AUGUST 26
STATION 1**

Features

- Outdoor fire safety
- Survive Alive trailer
- Station and apparatus tours



**OCTOBER 7
STATION 5**

Features

- Tender operations
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Survive Alive trailer
- Station and apparatus tours



**SEPTEMBER 16
STATION 3**

Features

- Car fire
- Flight for Life
- Fire extinguisher checks
- Survive Alive trailer
- Station and apparatus tours

Did you know that cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries?
Cooking safety starts with YOU.



Station 1
N84W18989
Menomonee Ave

Station 3
W140N7501
Lilly Rd

Station 5
N56W19350
Silver Spring Dr



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PREVENTION
WEEK™**

**Pay attention
to fire prevention.**