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Live Fire Evolutions

During the month of July, firefighters from across Utah County and Salt Lake County teamed up to participate in live fire training hosted by our own Lehi Fire Department. Many hours of hard work were put into making this training the success that it was.

Crews from Lehi, Lone Peak, American Fork, Saratoga Springs, West Jordan, and Unified Fire Authority all participated in multi-company drills allowing each department to learn different “tricks of the trade” from one another. Positive Pressure Attack and Vertical Ventilation tactics were put to the test in several different modified scenarios allowing for crews to witness the effectiveness of the tactics. It also provided a great opportunity to work with our neighboring departments and to get to know them better!

A special thanks to our LFD training division for making it happen, Chiefs for allowing it to happen, Captains for the extra hard work they put into it; CERT team for providing rehab, and last but not least the firefighters, who at times trained hard in 100°F plus temperatures!!

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Call Totals for the Month of July...

Station 81

Fire: 31
Medical: 91
Total: 122

Station 82

Fire: 38
Medical: 57
Total: 95

In the News...Fire Ops 101

Daily Herald - Cathy Allred July 21, 2013

LEHI -- Fire Ops 101. Fun, exciting and educational.

Heidi Johnson appears too small for her turn-out gear and helmet on Saturday morning as Lehi firefighters prepare her to enter a building -- and as lead firefighter, approach the fire.

Co-owners of Fire House Subs in Lehi, she and her husband, Jeff Johnson, are participating in a crash course about fire fighting and about providing lifesaving medical service.

In its fifth year, the program annually invites elected officials, city staff, prominent business representatives, such as Adobe, Thanksgiving Point and Fire House Subs; and Utah State House representative for District 56 -- Kay Christofferson.

"The reason we started this is because [we want] to understand some of the challenges we face or we respond to on a daily basis. When they go through this, the biggest thing I get out of it is when they say, 'Wow, I didn't realize how difficult your job was or how many people it took to respond to a medical call,' " Lehi firefighter Randy Harding said.

The site the firefighters have chosen for the runthrough is at Point Break in north Lehi. The visitors are in regular fire fighting gear, called turn outs, and are split up in teams of three to four people with a captain. Capt. Ernie Curwen's crew is getting ready to march into the fire with 65 pounds of gear on and a very heavy hose.

Asked if she wanted to be in front managing the water power or in back helping move the hose, Johnson immediately calls out, "front." As firefighters open the door to the building, a smoky haze filters over the "firefighters for a day" as they haul the hose in with them to fight the blaze.

Less than two minutes later, the fire is out and Heidi Johnson is asking when they can go again.

The Johnsons' interest in the Lehi Fire Department is a simple one -- they have a passion for giving back to their community, and Lehi has recently become home to their second Fire House Subs Restaurant.

They invested in Fire House for a few reasons. One is how the organization supports firefighters across the country wherever there is a Fire House Sub.

"Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation. Go to firehousesubs.com, look up Safety Foundation -- over \$6 million in equipment has been donated back to firefighters nationwide for equipment and training. We would like to get equipment donated to Lehi Fire," Heidi Johnson said.

Fire House Subs PSF has already donated \$64,000 to the Utah Fire House Subs for their associated fire departments. The Johnsons have donated a



Jaws of Life, \$20,000-plus equipment that can safely extract an accident victim from a vehicle, to the Sandy Fire Department through the couple's Fire House Subs Restaurant in Sandy.

"I think it's fabulous. It's great to be associated with them," Heidi Johnson said.

Christofferson said that as a child, he never dreamed of being a firefighter, but he appears thrilled to be at the crash course in fire fighting.

"I never had a chance to dress up like this," Christofferson said. "It's a great experience to meet people and do things like this because you learn about the people and the organization."

He said his new part-time job gives him access to organizations and events that he wouldn't otherwise get an opportunity to see. As for Christofferson, he volunteered to go first for using the Jaws of Life.

"That is the most amazing thing about it is, you know," Harding said. "That is definitely one of the perks to this is being able to showcase the fire department and also show some of the professionalism and training we go through."



Swearing In Ceremony



On July 17, 2013 we held a swearing in ceremony for two of our newest fulltime employees. Paramedic Bronson Smith (Left) and Firefighter Mike Stevens (Right) started out as interns for our department. After the intern process they were brought on as part-time firefighters and now we swear them in as fulltime members of our department. Bert Wilson, a retired firefighter, shared a few remarks from when he served as a volunteer firefighter and then Judge Doug Neilson swore Smith and Stevens into office.



"I have no ambition in this world but one, and that is to be a firefighter. The position may, in the eyes of some, appear to be a lowly one; but we who know the work which the firefighter has to do believe that his is a noble calling. There is an adage which says that, "Nothing can be destroyed except by fire." We strive to preserve from destruction the wealth of the world which is the product of the industry of men, necessary for the comfort of both the rich and the poor. We are defenders from fires of the art which has beautified the world, the product of the genius of men and the means of refinement of mankind. (But, above all; our proudest endeavor is to save lives of men-the work of God Himself. Under the impulse of such thoughts, the nobility of the occupation thrills us and stimulates us to deeds of daring, even at the supreme sacrifice. Such considerations may not strike the average mind, but they are sufficient to fill to the limit our ambition in life and to make us serve the general purpose of human society."

*-- Chief Edward F. Croker
FDNY circa 1910*



Josh Hicken

→ August 24th

Happy Birthday!!

August 2013

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Training - Live Fire Evolution	3 Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
4	5 Payroll	6	7	8 Officers Meeting Station 82 8:00am	9	10 Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
18	19 Payroll Training - Truck Academy Day #3	20	21 Training - Truck Academy Day #3	22	23 Training - Truck Academy Day #3	24 Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82