A message from
Fire Chief Ken Kreger

The Conroe Fire Department is pleased to offer this 2014 Annual Report. It encompasses an overview of the responses and activities that took place throughout the year. This year was another year of tremendous growth for the City of Conroe. Much of it was spent preparing for the Hwy 105 W annexation that took effect on December 31, 2014. The Fire Department added another Fire Station (Station #6) that houses both a 4-man Engine Company and a 4-man Ladder Company, which is supported by the 30 additional fire fighters that were hired. This enabled the City to offer more highly trained fire and rescue technicians on a daily basis, thus enhancing the safety of our community. This year there were no fire deaths; which is a testament of the hard work by the department to educate and remind our public to remain safe. The Fire Department is committed to your safety; continually striving to improve our service while focusing on remaining efficient in our day to day operations. The City’s Mission Statement is something we exercise daily:

“Protect and Serve the Citizens of Conroe and exceed their expectations.”

Sincerely,
Ken Kreger
Fire Chief / Emergency Management Coordinator
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APPARATUS & FACILITIES
Fire Department Equipment

Ladder 1
2015 Pierce Velocity 100’ Aluminum Elevating Platform. It is powered by a Cummins 600 Horsepower Engine and an Allison Transmission. The Waterous 2000 GPM single-stage centrifugal pump supplies water to the 2 – 2000 GPM nozzles mounted on the platform. The compartment space on this truck has been maximized and was custom designed to carry specific equipment. This truck went into service on November 11, 2014.

E-1
2011 Pierce Quantum Pumper with a Cummins ISM 500 horsepower diesel engine and Allison Gen IV 4000 EVS 6 speed transmission and is equipped with Oshkosh TAK-4 suspension, which allows for excellent maneuverability, improved stopping power, and safer handling. E-1 is equipped with 1500 GPM Waterous pump that is paired with a Husky 12 GPM foam system. The combination of the two enables E-1 to provide both Class A and B foam solutions to extinguish anything from common wood fires to gasoline and alcohol fires. E-1 carries 750 gallons of water, 20 gallons of Class A concentrate, and 100 gallons of Class B concentrate. E-1 is also equipped with a 10 foot telescoping Night Scan light tower.

E-2
2010 Pierce Quantum Pumper with a Cummins ISM 500 horsepower diesel engine and Allison Gen IV 4000 EVS 6 speed transmission and is equipped with Oshkosh TAK-4 suspension, which allows for excellent maneuverability, improved stopping power, and safer handling. E-2 is equipped with 1500 GPM Waterous pump that is paired with a Husky 12 GPM foam system. The combination of the two enables E-2 to provide both Class A and B foam solutions to extinguish anything from common wood fires to gasoline and alcohol fires. E-2 carries 750 gallons of water, 20 gallons of Class A concentrate, and 100 gallons of Class B concentrate. E-2 is also equipped with a 10 foot telescoping Night Scan light tower.
**E-4**

2006 Pierce Quantum Pumper, 1500 GPM Waterous pump with 750 gallon water tank, 30 gallon Class B foam tank with 1% AFFF foam, 20 gallon Class A foam tank with National Knockdown Class A foam, hydraulic ladder rack with a 24’ extension, 14’ roof and 10’ attic ladder, also 6’, 10’ and 8’ two –man pike poles.

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**E-3**

2008 Pierce Quantum Pumper. It has a 1500 GPM pump with a 750 gallon poly water tank. Engine 3 is also equipped with a Husky 12, Class A foam system fed by a 20 gallon Class A foam cell. Other features of E-3 include a raised roof, air conditioned four door cab. It also has a hydraulic ladder rack with a 24’ extension, 14’ roof, and 10’ attic ladder, as well as, 6’, 10’ and 8’ two –man pike pole.

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**E-5**

2013 Pierce Quantum Pumper with a Cummins ISM 500 horsepower diesel engine and Allison Gen IV 4000 EVS 6 speed transmission and is equipped with Oshkosh TAK-4 suspension, which allows for excellent maneuverability, improved stopping power, and safer handling. E-5 is equipped with 1500 GPM Waterous pump that is paired with a Husky 12 GPM foam system. The combination of the two enables E-5 to provide both Class A and B foam solutions to extinguish anything from common wood fires to gasoline and alcohol fires. E-5 carries 750 gallons of water, 20 gallons of Class A concentrate, and 100 gallons of Class B concentrate. E-5 is also equipped with a 10 foot telescoping Night Scan light tower.
Fire Department Equipment

Ladder 6

Ladder 6 is a 2008 Ferrera Igniter that was recently purchased along with the acquisition of the fire station. L6 has a 77’ ladder, 2000 GPM Hale pump and a 500 gallon water tank. This unit is equipped to serve as an elevated master stream to assist in the extinguishment of large structure fires. This ladder was purchased from ESD #3 during annexation and was put in service by Conroe Fire Department on December 30, 2014.

E-6

Engine 6 is a 2008 Ferrera Igniter that too was recently purchased along with the acquisition of the fire station. E6 has a 1500 GPM Hale pump with a 1000 gallon water tank. This unit also has a Foam Pro 1600 Foam system that is used to disburse Class A foam. This engine was purchased from ESD #3 during annexation and was put in service by Conroe Fire Department on December 30, 2014.
Fire Department Equipment

Haz Mat 5

2005 Enforcer Pierce truck. This truck is capable of a 5 man hazmat technician level regional response crew and is powered by a 400 HP Cummins engine, and a 300 EVS Allison transmission. This truck is housed at Station 5. The truck has a top mount 9000 watt light tower. The vehicle is used for all types of hazmat situations and has self sufficient capabilities for handling mutual aid calls to other departments outside of the city limits. The cab has a work area that is designed to assist the hazmat teams resource officer in gathering information about certain chemicals or products. This is achieved by the onboard primary set of resource materials and laptop computers.

Ladder 4

Reserve

1997 Pierce Arrow 100 foot aerial platform ladder with 2000 GPM pump and a 200 gallon water tank, a complement of ground ladders and technical rescue equipment, two 1000 GPM nozzles are pre-piped to the aerial platform.

E-9

Reserve

2002 Pierce Dash that is equipped with a Series 60, 500 HP Detroit Diesel engine and an Allison 5 speed automatic transmission. Engine 6 is equipped with a 1500 GPM Waterous pump, Hercules C.A.F.S (Compressed Air Foam System) and a Foam Pro 2002 foam system. This unit can be used with either Class A or Class B foams to fight anything from wood and paper fires to gasoline and alcohol fires. E-9 has a 700 gallon water tank, a 30 gallon Class B tank, and a 20 gallon Class A tank.
Fire Department Equipment

E-7
Reserve
1993 Pierce Arrow, 1250 GPM pumper with a 750 gallon water tank, rescue body, hydraulic ladder racks, 4-door, and medical and rescue equipment.

E-8
Reserve
2007 Pierce Quantum. This truck is powered by a Big Block ISM 500 hp Cummins engine with an Allison 4000 EVS transmission. This truck also has a 730 gallon water tank with a 20 gallon foam cell that has Class A foam. This is all powered by a 1500 GPM Waterous pump and built in Huskey foam system. The Harrison 8K generator on the truck powers the external scene lights and plugs.
Fire Department Equipment

**Hose 1**
1948 Mack 500 GPM Pumper, retired from service in 1978.

**Special Equipment Trailer**
1998 Haulmark 2-ton utility trailer. The special equipment trailer was built by firefighters and carries specialized support equipment for below ground and technical rescues.

**Fire Safety House**
Purchased in 2002, the Fire Safety House is a hands-on learning tool that gives children and their families the knowledge they need to create safer homes and communities. The Safety House is used in fire prevention and taken to many schools. There is a kitchen equipped with working appliances and kitchen hazards for a learning tool. There is a smoke system that demonstrates the need to “stay low in smoke” and not breathe toxic fumes in a fire. There is also a low lying fireplace in the living room for teaching purposes of fire place safety.

**Boat 2**
2010 Achilles SU-14 equipped with trailer and 30 horsepower Mercury outboard motor. This boat is specifically designed to operate in swift water rescue situations, but can also function under normal lake operations.
Fire Department Equipment

Booster 1
2012 Ford F-450 single cab with 300 gallon water tank and a 10 gallon Class A foam cell. Booster 1 is equipped with a bumper mounted remote control nozzle. This vehicle is used for brush fires and the wildland urban interface of our city.

Booster 3
Custom built 2004 F-550 extended cab truck. Booster 3 is equipped with the Triton V-10 gasoline engine and 4 wheel drive. Designed to fight grass fires with its 300 gallon water tank, Honda water pump and 20 gallon Class A foam tank and proportioning system. It also has a 9500 lb. WARN winch.

Booster 6
Booster 6 is a 2005 Ford F-450 equipped with a 250 GPM Hale pump and a 300 gallon water tank. This unit is designed and equipped to extinguish brush fires wildland urban interface of our city.
Utility 2
Utility 2 is a 2007 Ford F-150 gasoline engine. This vehicle is housed at Station 2 and is used to assist in deploying the swift water rescue boat as it is needed and it also serves as the reserve vehicle for BC1.

Utility 3
Utility 3 is a 2013 Ford F-350 diesel that is used to pull the department’s structural collapse/trench rescue trailer that is used in the city as well as a regional response vehicle. This unit can also be used to pull the Fire Safety House as needed.

Foam 2
Foam 2 is a 2004 Ford F-550, it is designed to work in conjunction with a pumper to deploy a large quantity of foam over a large area such as a tanker or aircraft fire. The apparatus is equipment with (2) 5 inch intakes and (2) elevated master streams able to flow up to 1000 GPM. The truck carries (1) 265 gallon tote of Class B foam and an additional 30, five gallon pales of Class B foam.

Utility 1
Utility 1 is a 2002 Ford F-250 diesel that is used to shuttle personnel and equipment to and from training classes as well as move the Fire Safety House to and from special events throughout the city.
Fire Station Logos
Fire Department Facilities

Station 1
300 Sgt. Ed Holcomb Blvd.

Station 2
425 N. Loop 336 E.

Station 3
424 E. Foster Dr.

Station 4
14901 Walter Woodson Dr.

Station 5
1601 N. FM 3083 W.

Station 6
15663 Hwy 105 W.
Montgomery, TX

Fire Admin.
300 W. Davis
Awards
&
Honors
1 Year Ceremonies

A ceremony was held for Firefighter Charles Bruner and Firefighter Christopher Wisnowski on March 17, 2014, as they completed their first probationary year with the CFD.

Fire Chief Ken Kreger swearing in Firefighter Charles Bruner and Firefighter Christopher Wisnowski.
Engine Operator Promotional Ceremonies

A ceremony was held for Firefighter Kevin King on May 6, 2014, as he was promoted to Engine Operator with the CFD.

On December 29, 2014, a ceremony was held to promote twelve Firefighters to the rank of Engine Operator. From L to R: R. Woolery, C. Thompson, D. Thompson, D. Foster, C. George, J. Robinson, A. Bay, P. Taylor, G. Kasberg, R. McNiece, S. Skrehot

On December 29, 2014, six Engine Operators were promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. From L to R: K. Smith, T. Garvey, M. Barker, J. Wyatt, G. Mizrany, J. Maddox

18 Personnel Promoted
Employee of the Month

Battalion Chief Joe Miller is the City of Conroe’s Employee of the Month for May 2014. Battalion Chief Miller has represented the fire department and the city well since he was hired in October 26, 1984. Chief Miller has long since been instrumental in the development of programs, policies, and methods that enhance the operational effectiveness and efficiency of our department.

One such recent process is known as “The Bundle”. The Bundle is a newly developed operation for our department that allows firefighters to quickly deploy a large amount of fire hose greater distances and with improved functionality. The Bundle was developed at the direction of Chief Miller who oversaw a committee of personnel made up of shift Lieutenants and Firefighters. As a result of his initiative, leadership and teamwork the committee researched an enormous amount of data, equipment and processes that at its conclusion would be known as The Bundle.

Chief Miller genuinely enjoys being at work and challenging himself, his crews, and the department to never settle for mediocrity. Moreover, it is his passion for excellence that further demonstrates the outstanding service to the public and his fellow employees as well as the pride and honor towards the citizens and the department. Congratulations Chief Miller!
Battalion Chief Mike Legoudes has been with the City of Conroe Fire Department since July 9, 2001 and has exemplified the work ethics that the City of Conroe strives for. He has spent many hours working on policies and procedures that have helped bring the professionalism of his department to a much higher level. He not only encourages and supports specialized training for his staff, he leads by example.

He is continually looking for ways to improve the relationship with the businesses within our community, as well as those businesses looking to locate here. He takes his responsibility to keep safe the fire fighters, citizens, and those visiting our city very seriously. That is why he deserves to be the City of Conroe’s Employee of the Month.

Congratulations Chief Legoudes!
Conroe HEB staff members came out to Fire Station 3 on September 11, 2014 to cook breakfast and clean the station. This was their “thank you” to the Conroe Fire Department for their service to the City of Conroe.
On October 29, 2014 Jeff Walker and his team of volunteers with Pepsico in Conroe went to Station 1 to clean and wash trucks for the Conroe Firefighters.
Operation Warm
More Than A Coat

On December 5th, the Firefighters from Engine 3 handed out coats to the children at Armstrong Elementary School. 50 of these new coats were donated by Buckalew Chevrolet. The Conroe Professional Firefighters Association partnered with “Firefighters for Operation Warm” to help make sure children have coats for the winter season.
Quarter Century Club Recognitions

December 9, 2014, Firefighter Timothy McNeill, Battalion Chief Joe Miller and Firefighter Jeff Williams were recognized at the Quarter Century Club luncheon. Chief Miller and Firefighter Williams were recognized for 30 years of service. Firefighter McNeill was recognized for 25 years of service to the City of Conroe Fire Department.

Jeff Williams is pictured to the left receiving his 30 year award and gifts from Fire Chief Ken Kreger.

Pictured above from L to R: Jeff Williams, Duane Henry, Assistant Chief Paul Sims, Donnie Case and Fire Chief Ken Kreger.
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
A mannequin used during a Hazmat Drill sits on the ground while Conroe Emergency Services debrief after performing the Emergency Responders Test.

Conroe Firefighters participated in a Hazmat Drill on Monday, September 22, 2014. The drill was held at a warehouse off of Beach Airport Road in Conroe.
Emergency Management Virtual Drill

 Posted Monday 9/22/14 at 9:55 p.m. by the Conroe Courier

On September 22, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department participated in an Emergency Responders Test.

Local law enforcement officers and medical emergency personnel put on a full-scale hazardous material drill for nearly three hours Monday morning. The purpose of the drill was to test the technology and personnel response capabilities for public first responders, Conroe Fire Marshal Mike Legoudes Jr. said.

They tested communications between the scene and the emergency operation center. The Conroe Police Department command vehicle provided cameras for authorities to watch the drill in real time. Hazardous material meters, which are designed to send signals to the operation center, located at City Hall at 300 W. Davis St. in Conroe, also were tested.
Helpful Links

www.cityofconroe.org/departments/fire-department-home-page/emergency-management

www.redcross.org/prepare/disaster

www.fema.gov

www.salvationarmy.org

To Register for Emergency Mobile Alerting via “Code Red” go to http://ecnetwork.com
Or download from app store.
Hurricane Preparedness

A Hurricane Season Reminder:

**Be Ready, Understand, Plan and Act.**

Hurricane Preparedness Week in Texas is the week of May 22 – 28.

It is always a good idea to be prepared before an emergency situation.

**Recommended checklist for home:**

- First aid kit and extra prescription medications, written prescriptions & other medical items.
- Important documents & records, photo ID’s, proof of residence, information needed to process insurance claims. Cash, (line-power outages mean banks & ATM’s may be unavailable)
- Coolers for food and ice storage, paper plates, plastic utensils, manual can opener, knife, tools, booster cables, fire extinguisher, duct tape, tarp & rope. Blankets, pillows, sleeping bags & extra clothing, toilet paper, cleanup supplies, personal hygiene products. Battery-operated radio & flashlight with extra batteries
- Phone numbers of family & friends along with road maps, travel plans, hotel reservations, list of places between your town & your destination you can stop if the highways are clogged.
- 3-day supply of non-perishable food, one gallon of bottled water per person per day
- Eyeglasses, sunglasses, hearing aids, special supplies needed for babies, older adults or pets and extra keys
- Automobile charger for mobile phone

**Recommended checklist for your car:**

- Automobile charger for mobile phone
- Store emergency supplies in the trunk of your car
- Include a battery-powered radio, flashlight, extra batteries, and water in plastic drink bottles, canned goods and manual can opener.
- First aid kit, emergency flares, blankets, extra clothing & rain gear in your car.
The median fire loss within the City of Conroe, over the last five years, was approximately $1.1 million dollars. Far too often, these fires injure or take the lives of one or more of our fellow citizens. To combat this destruction, the Conroe Fire Department has put into place a comprehensive fire prevention program that consists of the four basic activities of the Conroe Fire Department: public education, fire and building code enforcement, a rapid response to emergencies, and a thorough investigation of all fire causes.

The Fire Marshal’s Office (FMO) is the division of the Conroe Fire Department that manages public relations, education, and information, fire and building code enforcement, fire origin and cause investigations, and arson investigations. The Fire Chief assigns all personnel to the FMO, with five currently assigned to the Division.

**Fire Marshal**

Battalion Chief Mike Legoudes, Jr. is the Fire Marshal for the City of Conroe, and the public information officer for the Conroe Fire Department. Mike began his career with the Conroe Fire Department on July 9, 2001, serving as a Firefighter for six years. On June 1, 2007, Mike was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and was assigned to the FMO, where he spent three years as a Deputy Fire Marshal. Mike was promoted to the rank of Battalion Chief and assigned as Fire Marshal on June 3, 2010.

As Fire Marshal, Mike oversees all fire prevention activities including public information, relations, and education, fire and building code enforcement, fire origin and cause determination investigations, and arson case management. To help manage these responsibilities, Mike supervises four Lieutenant Deputy Fire Marshals assigned to the FMO and two Deputy Fire Marshals assigned to Operations.

Mike is a 1998 graduate of Sam Houston State University and holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice. Mike is also certified as an Advanced Texas Peace Officer, Licensed Paramedic, Master Firefighter, Master Arson Investigator, Master Fire Inspector, Fire Service Instructor II, Fire Officer IV, Driver/Operator, and Incident Safety Officer. Mike is enrolled in the National Fire Academy’s four year Executive Fire Officer Program, completing the third year during 2014. He is also a 2014 graduate of Lone Star College—Montgomery, holding an Associate’s Degree in Fire Science.

**Deputy Fire Marshals**

There are currently four Deputy Fire Marshals assigned full-time to the FMO. Responsibilities of these Deputies include fire and life safety inspections of existing businesses, new commercial construction plan review and inspections, public education program design and delivery, fire origin and cause determination investigations, arson investigation, and background investigation of prospective Conroe Firefighters.
Lieutenant Neal Radford began his career with the Conroe Fire Department on March 3, 1998, serving as a Firefighter for approximately 10 years. He was promoted to Lieutenant on October 31, 2008 where he was assigned to Operations as an engine company officer for approximately 1 year. In September of 2009, Neal was assigned full-time to the FMO.

Neal is certified as a Texas Peace Officer, Emergency Medical Technician - Intermediate (EMT-I), Advanced Firefighter, Arson Investigator, Fire Inspector, Fire Service Instructor II, Aircraft Rescue Firefighter (ARFF), and Hazardous Materials Technician.

Lieutenant Andy Nokes began his career with the Conroe Fire Department on October 12, 1987, serving as a Firefighter for approximately 22 years. He was promoted to Lieutenant on June 3, 2010 and was immediately assigned full-time to the FMO.

Andy is a 1999 graduate of Houston Community College and holds an Associate’s Degree in Fire Science. Andy is also certified as a Texas Peace Officer, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Master Firefighter, Master Arson Investigator, Driver/Operator, Fire Inspector, Fire Service Instructor III, Master Aircraft Rescue Firefighter (ARFF), and Hazardous Materials Technician.

Lieutenant Joe Craig began his career with the Conroe Fire Department on October 1, 1997, serving as a Firefighter for approximately 10 years. He was promoted to Lieutenant on November 12, 2007 where he was assigned to Operations as an engine company officer for approximately 2.5 years. In June of 2010, Joe was assigned full-time to the FMO.

Joe is a 2013 graduate of Lone Star College and holds an Associate’s Degree in Fire Science. Joe is also certified as an Advanced Texas Peace Officer, EMT-I, Master Firefighter, Master Arson Investigator, Master Fire Inspector, Fire Service Instructor II, Fire Officer IV, Master Aircraft Rescue Firefighter (ARFF), Driver/Operator, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, Incident Safety Officer, Hazardous Materials Technician, International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) Certified Fire Investigator (CFI), and IAAI Certified Evidence Collection Technician.

Lieutenant Blaine Pyles began his career with the Conroe Fire Department on May 17, 1999, serving as a Firefighter for approximately 13 years. He was promoted to Engine/Operator on December 10, 2011. Blaine was promoted to Lieutenant on August 17, 2012 and was immediately assigned to the FMO.

Fire and Life Safety Inspections

The City of Conroe Fire Marshal’s Office (FMO) inspects, and maintains records on, all known commercial occupancies within the city limits. There are currently approximately 2,981 known businesses, which are inspected as often as staffing levels permit. Currently each business is inspected at 18 - 36 month intervals. Some occupancies, such as schools, nursing /assisted living homes, hospitals, and day cares are inspected at least annually. In order to evenly distribute the inspection workload among Deputy Fire Marshals, the city is divided into four geographic inspection districts:

- **Inspection District 1:** West of Frazier, North of Davis—Lieutenant/Deputy Fire Marshal Joe Craig
- **Inspection District 2:** Frazier and East, North of Davis—Lieutenant/Deputy Fire Marshal Blaine Pyles
- **Inspection District 3:** Frazier and East, Davis and South—Lieutenant/Deputy Fire Marshal Neal Radford
- **Inspection District 4:** West of Frazier, Davis and South—Lieutenant/Deputy Fire Marshal Andy Nokes

Fire and Life Safety Inspections are performed utilizing Firehouse Inspector for iPad. This application is a part of the Firehouse record management package, used by the CFD for many other record-keeping purposes. Firehouse Inspector for iPad provides the Deputy Fire Marshal the ability to see scheduled and completed inspections at a glance. It is also a mostly paperless system as most business owners receive inspection reports via e-mail.

New Commercial Construction Inspections

In addition to inspections of existing businesses, there are many inspections required during new construction projects. New commercial construction activity has increased over the last year and is projected to continue increasing. Inspections typically required include; underground fire water mains, fire sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, kitchen hood fire suppression systems, clean agent extinguishing systems, aboveground and underground tanks and lines, and fire and life safety for Certificate of Occupancy. These inspections are scheduled by Deputy Fire Marshals within their inspection districts, throughout new construction projects.

All new construction projects begin with submittal of plans by developers. Working closely with the Building Official, all plans are reviewed prior to issuance of permits. Types of plans reviewed are site, building, and fire protection systems. Careful attention is paid, during the review process, to identify items needing attention prior to the beginning of construction. This is done in an effort to ensure city requirements are met as well as minimizing costs due to unforeseen problems for developers. Pre-development meetings are encouraged on larger or more difficult projects prior to submittal of plans. These meetings are scheduled, free of charge, through Public Works and are attended jointly by representatives from the FMO, Public Works, and Engineering.
**Fire and Life Safety Inspection Activities**

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**Type and Number of Fires**

| Structure Fires Reported | 89 |
| Working Structure Fires Investigated | 27 |
| Vehicle Fires | 53 |
| Grass, Trash, and Woods Fires | 88 |
| Suspected Incendiary (Arson) Fires | 7 |

**Losses Due to Fire**

| Civilian Casualties | 0 |
| Civilian Injuries | 3 |
| Firefighter Casualties | 0 |
| Firefighter Injuries | 1 |
| Estimated Building/Content Loss | $2,164,950 |
| Estimated Auto Loss | $483,450 |

**Fire Cause Investigations**

Each year the Conroe Fire Department responds to many structure fires within the city limits. The Fire Marshals Office (FMO) conducts thorough origin and cause investigations of each of these fires. There is a minimum of one Deputy Fire Marshal assigned investigative duties 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Deputy Fire Marshals are both certified Texas Peace Officers and Fire Investigators. This extra training is essential when determining the cause or motive for all fire occurring within Conroe.

Accurately determining the cause of a fire is essential. In the event of a fire that is started intentionally, prosecution of the responsible offender is critical to prevent additional fires. All crimes of arson are aggressively investigated by the FMO.
Criminal charges are filed, whenever possible, through the Montgomery County District Attorney’s Office. When a juvenile is found to be the offender, charges are filed through the Montgomery County Attorney’s Office.

Identifying intentionally set fires, as well as understanding how accidental fires start, is paramount in any fire prevention effort. Proper investigation methods are the most effective way to identify fire prevention and public education needs, customizing programs to actual community fire experience. A better understanding of how and why fires occur promotes a safer environment for citizens as well as firefighters responding to these incidents.

### Deputy Fire Marshals Assigned to Operations

The FMO utilizes certified Texas Peace Officers assigned to the Operations Division for assistance with after-hours and weekend on-call responsibilities and the staffing of special events such as the Conroe Cajun Catfish Festival and July 4th and New Year’s Eve fireworks patrols. In order to be eligible to participate, personnel must possess, at a minimum, a Texas Peace Officer certification through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement as well as an Arson Investigator certification through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. There have been as many as 6 Deputy Fire Marshals assigned to Operations. During 2014, there were 4.

- **Mike Loggins**  
  B-Shift

- **Sean Semora**  
  C-Shift

- **Branden Ferrell**  
  B-Shift

- **Jeff Williams**  
  A-Shift
Montgomery County Fair

April 2014
Montgomery County Fairgrounds
Public Education

Giesinger Elementary School - January 2014

Fire Prevention Month - October 2014

Montgomery County Library

Sam Houston Elementary

Kids R Kids
Public Education

All requests for public education programs are coordinated through the FMO. After approval and scheduling, some programs are delivered by Operations personnel while others are delivered by FMO staff. Some are delivered as a joint effort by both divisions. Types of educational programs delivered are basic fire safety programs, public appearances (public relations), fire extinguisher classes, and fire station tours. Depending on the particular program, participants are taught how to escape a fire using the mobile fire safety house, are allowed to extinguish a fire using a fire extinguisher, and view fire apparatus, stations, and equipment.

October is Fire Prevention Month and is the busiest time of year for public education. A concentrated effort is made, during October, to visit each elementary school and day care within the city limits. The program delivered this year was based on the NFPA’s “Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month” theme. Delivery of this year’s program was a joint effort between the FMO and Operations.

Fire Extinguisher Training

A new portable fire extinguisher training prop was purchased during 2014. The BullEx laser-driven training system allows the CFD to deliver training safely in any setting. BullEx uses a conical laser to replicate extinguisher discharge, rather than depending on a dry-chemical extinguisher. It has the ability to simulate Class A, B, and C fires at ten difficulty levels. The system can sense if the trainee is using the correct extinguisher, aiming and sweeping correctly, and if they are an effective distance from the base of the fire. Because only a laser is emitted from the training extinguisher, training can now be conducted indoors or out. The end result is the ability to deliver training to more people, in a shorter period of time, at no cost to the public while meeting OSHA safety training requirements.
OPERATIONS
Motor Vehicle Accidents

On March 18, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department responded to an overturned vacuum truck with trapped driver.

Lone Star Executive Airport

On September 19, 2014, Conroe Fire Department responded to an Aircraft that slid off the runway. There was no fire and no injuries.
Graystone Hills House Fire

On September 1, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department responded to a house fire in Graystone Hills.
Battalion Chief Joe Miller serves as the Shift Commander overseeing 34 personnel assigned to his shift and responsible for the entire suppression and response activities on “A” shift. Chief Miller is a long tenured employee having served the city for more than 30 years. He and his shift are responsible for the acquisition, placement, and the maintenance of equipment carried on all the apparatus. Chief Miller strives to ensure that our firefighters have state-of-the-art equipment that will enable them to perform their jobs in a safe and efficient manner so that we have the best chance of helping the citizens and visitors of Conroe. Each apparatus carries over 100 individual pieces of equipment at a cost of approximately 100,000 dollars. “A” Shift also maintains the equipment so that it remains in constant state of readiness.
B Shift

Battalion Chief Michael Loggins serves as the Shift Commander overseeing 34 personnel assigned to his shift and responsible for the entire suppression and response activities on the “B” Shift. Chief Loggins has served the city for more than 24 years and has been in his current assignment since 2010. Chief Loggins also oversees the Haz-Mat operations for the Fire Department. “B” Shift is responsible for facility maintenance for all six stations, protective clothing, uniforms and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.

C Shift

Battalion Chief Michael Gosselin serves as the Shift Commander of “C” shift also overseeing 34 personnel assigned to his shift and responsible for the entire suppression and response activities for his shift. Chief Gosselin is in his 30th year with the city and has served as a Battalion Chief since 1999. Currently his responsibilities include the supervision and support of six fire stations housing eight fire companies. Additional responsibilities of “C” Shift include overseeing duties such as annual hose testing, ongoing radio equipment maintenance and various other duties.
House Fire on Bartle Dr

On February 5, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department responded to a house fire.
Sawdust Hopper Fire

On September 23, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department responded to a Sawdust Hopper Fire.

East Texas Dream Center

On November 14, 2014 the Conroe Fire Department responded to a fire coming from the mechanical unit at the East Texas Dream Center. There were no injuries reported.
1911 Fire Dedication Ceremony

February 21, 2014 - A new historical marker commemorating the Conroe Fire of 1911 is recognized as part of Texas History.

Pictured above from left to right:
Mayor Webb K. Melder, Chief Ken Kreger

Pictured left to right:
Gordon Mizrany, Neal Radford, Andy Nokes, Thomas Chavis, Mike Legoudes, Greg Kasberg, John Dominy, Christopher George, John Turner, Ken Kreger and Larry Foerster

Pictured left to right:
Neal Radford, Thomas Chavis, Mike Legoudes, Andy Nokes, Greg Kasberg, Gordon Mizrany, John Dominy, Christopher George, John Turner, Ken Kreger and Larry Foerster
2014 Incidents

City of Conroe Fire Department 2014 Incidents

Total Calls

- Medical Calls: 58% (4097)
- All Others: 42% (3026)

Total: 7,123
Safety Committee

The Safety Committee for 2014 consisted of: Committee Chairperson Lt. Hudson Hudgins, CFD Safety Officer BC Greg Nesom, Safety Secretary Meloney Taylor, Human Resources Risk Manager Sandra Savage, and firefighters Kevin King, Bill Hart, E/O Tom Garvey, and Deputy Fire Marshal Lt. Blaine Pyles.

This Committee serves for two years and is appointed by Fire Chief Ken Kreger. The Committee is responsible to meet monthly and review all safety related issues to the department. They review all injuries, damaged property reports and any other safety related concerns. The Committee determines the facts and creates a complete report of conclusion covering the incident. It is then forwarded to the Fire Chief for review.

The appointed Committee consists of different members from the Fire Department. The Training Officer and Safety Secretary remain the same, as other members are rotated. The Fire Chief appoints one person from the Fire Marshal’s Office and three members from a shift. The Lieutenant chosen from the shift is given the responsibility of the Committee Chairperson, and two firefighters are also chosen. During meetings, it is important that the ranks do not matter, as the Safety Committee is a team.

The shift appointed for 2014 was C Shift.

Be Proactive About Safety
The Conroe Firefighters Association Local 2731 hosted the annual Fire up the Bands event for MDA on August 31, 2014.

“Firefighters are American heroes who make such a difference for the people and families we serve,” MDA fundraising coordinator Jessica Pullen-Munselle said. “The funds they raise are used for health care services and equipment support, and to help send kids to free MDA summer camps. We are grateful for everything they do.”

Firefighter funds also are used to support some of the 300 worldwide research projects seeking better treatments and cures for the more than 40 neuromuscular diseases covered by MDA, including Duchenne muscular dystrophy, spinal muscular atrophy and ALS. Locally, families attend clinic at The Methodist Neurological Institute or Texas Children’s Hospital.
Red Cross Smoke Alarm Installation Event

On November 8, 2014, The Conroe Fire Department partnered with the Red Cross to install smoke detectors.

Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.
Action Photos 2014
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Personnel
Fire Administration

Fire Chief / EMC
Ken Kreger

Asst. Fire Chief
Paul Sims

Battalion Chief / TRN
Greg Nesom

Adm. Assistant
Meloney
Taylor

Office Manager
Sami Randles

Adm. Assistant
Lisa
Blatt

Asset Coordinator
Donnie Case
A Shift

Battalion Chief Joe Miller

Station 1
LT. - Matthew Perkins
LT. - John Turner
E/O - Jason Tucker
FF - Charles Bruner
FF - Clinton Ferrell
FF - Michael Painter
FF - Jakob Robinson

Station 2
LT. - Joe Doffing
E/O - Phillip Roy
FF - Chad Merillat
FF - Byron Mitchell

Station 3
LT - Gordon Mizrany
FF - Gregory Kasberg
FF - Steven Suarez

Station 4
LT. - Farand Hardy
E/O - Christopher George
FF - Joshua Hamilton

Station 5
LT. - Gary Morrison
E/O - Kevin King
FF - Jason Antilley
FF - Joseph Galleno

Station 6
LT. - Thomas Chavis
LT - Jonathan Wyatt
E/O - John Dominy
E/O - Daniel Foster
FF - Gabriel Arcibar
FF - Clayton Johnson
FF - Matthew Suggs
FF - Phillip Waller
B Shift

Station 1
LT - Michael Barker
LT. - Matt Francis
E/O - Scott Hippenstiel
E/O - Kevin Murphy
FF - Kyler Kovar
FF - Cody Lecroy
FF - Donald Staton

Station 2
LT. - Sandra Brautigam
E/O - Cody Warden
FF - Austin Eagerton
FF - Daniel Mosqueda

Station 3
LT. - Cory Neitzel
E/O - Peter Taylor
FF - Matt Williams

Station 4
LT. - Christopher Brooks
E/O - Byron Neidigk
FF - Miguel Acosta
FF - John Nobles
FF - Brian Pizzino

Station 5
LT. - Branden Ferrell
E/O - David Thompson
FF - Bud Brooks

Station 6
LT - Tom Garvey
LT. - John Riddle
E/O - Phillip Johnson
E/O - Richard McNiece
FF - Bobby Allen
FF - David Farley
FF - James Lewis
FF - Ryan Mullinax
C Shift

Battalion Chief Michael Gosselin

Station 1
LT. - Dustin McDonald
LT - Kevin Smith
E/O - Marco Guillen
E/O - Casey Thompson
FF - Matthew Barnes
FF - Matthew Fischer
FF - Bradley Levrier
FF - Zachary Simmons
FF - Chase Morgan

Station 2
LT. - Darren Hess
E/O - Carey West
FF - Bill Cariker
FF - James Marshall

Station 3
LT. - Lloyd Sandefar
E/O - Shaun Skrehot
FF - Sean Semora
FF - Ryan Shely

Station 4
LT. - Hudson Hudgins
E/O - Andrew Bay
FF - Bill Hart

Station 5
LT. - Steve Cottar
E/O - Clinton Brochtrup
FF - Caleb Hayre
FF - Jared Roetzler

Station 6
LT. - Micah Dubose
LT - Joseph Maddox
E/O - Tim McNeill
E/O - Robert Woolery
FF - Michael Genovesi
FF - Michael Hill
FF - Christopher Wisnowski
Fire Marshal’s Office

Fire Marshal
Mike Legoude

Deputy Fire Marshal
Joe Craig

Deputy Fire Marshal
Blaine Pyles

Deputy Fire Marshal
Andy Nokes

Deputy Fire Marshal
Neal Radford
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Retirements

Congratulations to Richard Mayer on his Retirement. Richard served the Conroe Fire Department for 27 years & 8 1/2 months. He was an instrumental part of our Public Education program. Best wishes to you Richard.

Engine/Operator Allen Huelsebusch retired from the CFD after 20 years of Service. We wish you the best, Allen!

Firefighter Paul Cote retired from the CFD after 23 years of service. We wish you the best!

Firefighter Jeff Williams retired from the CFD after 30 years of service. Best wishes on your future endeavors Jeff!
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TRAINING

[Image of firefighters]
Chief Greg Nesom is the Battalion Chief responsible for the training division. He began his career with Conroe Fire Department in 1996 as a firefighter. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 2006 and then the rank of Battalion Chief in 2011. He has a Master Firefighter certificate and degrees in Fire Department Administration and Fire Protection and Safety. He is responsible for the coordination of training activities for the department, as well as, managing the budget account for training.

Training Chief

Chief Nesom goes over the basics with participants in the physical agility test.

New in 2014

Conroe Fire Department personnel logged 23,298.69 Hours of training in 2014

**Annual Physicals:** The Training Division developed a new Annual Physical Policy. The policy was developed in accordance to NFPA 1582. The new policy establishes a procedure in which Annual Physicals are conducted year round. Employees schedule their physicals during the quarter of their birth month. This new procedure limits the disruption of our service delivery as well as the operations of Lone Star Family Health and has also enhanced the quality of the Annual Physicals that Firefighters receive.

**Pre-Employment Physicals:** The Training Division now oversees the Pre-Employment Physicals for new hires. New Firefighters now receive a full physical in accordance with NFPA 1582. The physical is much the same as our Annual Physicals but also includes some baseline screenings that will be used to compare future tests in order to detect disease and/or occupational exposures.

**Training Records:** The Training Division purchased and began using an Online Platform for tracking and reporting Fire Training. The program, Target Solutions, offers Fire and EMS training content and also gives us the ability to track employee training records and manage required certifications and credentials. Because of the user friendliness of this program, this year alone we were able to document more than 23,000 hours of training, which is 14,000 hours more than we documented in 2013.
## Certification Summary

The following certifications are issued through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection and can be obtained through a combination of years of service and educational requirements.

### Certifications

**Firefighter**
- Master 17 Personnel
- Advanced 25 Personnel
- Intermediate 31 Personnel

**Fire Investigator**
- Master 3 Personnel
- Advanced 2 Personnel
- Basic 4 Personnel

**Instructors**
- Instructor III Master 1 Personnel
- Instructor III 5 Personnel
- Instructor II 22 Personnel
- Instructor I 15 Personnel

**Wildland Firefighter**
- Intermediate 2 Personnel
- Basic 10 Personnel

**Arson Investigator**
- Master 4 Personnel
- Advanced 5 Personnel
- Intermediate 1 Personnel
- Basic 2 Personnel

**Inspector**
- Master 4 Personnel
- Intermediate 2 Personnel
- Basic 7 Personnel

**Fire Officer**
- Officer I 11 Personnel
- Officer II 2 Personnel
- Officer III 1 Personnel
- Officer IV 6 Personnel

**Hazardous Materials Technician**
- 29 Personnel

**Driver/Operator Pumper**
- 40 Personnel
Physical Agility Testing
October 26, 2014

Tests #1 and #2 are separately timed events. Test #3 is made up of eight consecutive steps and timed for seven minutes. The timer will stop with the completion of the seventh step. Failure of any one test is considered failure of the entire exam.

Test #1
Don Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for five minutes.
This test is performed at rest

Test #2
Climb an aerial ladder 100 feet at a 70 degree angle within five minutes

Test #3
Step 1.) 1/2 mile run
Step 2.) Don SCBA excluding face piece. All following steps will be performed while wearing SCBA
Step 3.) Carry 50 foot section of 2 1/2 inch hose 180 feet
Step 4.) Drag 90 pound dummy 100 feet
Step 5.) Drive a 200 pound weighted I-Beam 5 feet with a specialized sledge hammer
Step 6.) Advance a charged 2 1/2 inch hose 50 feet
Step 7.) Using a rope and pulley system, hoist one section of 2 1/2 inch hose from ground level up 70 feet. Timer will stop upon completion of this step
Step 8.) Lower the hose, which was raised in Step 7 back to ground level. This must be done in a controlled manner
Fire Training Activities

Conroe Fire Department personnel participated in a refresher class with the Regional Structural Collapse Rescue Team that consists of members from the following departments: South Montgomery County, Willis, The Woodlands, and Lake Conroe. The Firefighters participated in refresher training on breaching, breaking, lifting and moving techniques and equipment.
Fire Training Activities

November 10, 2014, Conroe Fire Department added 17 new Firefighters to the department.
Fire Training Activities

Seventeen new Fire Fighters began their two week orientation on November 10, 2014.

Best of Luck to all the cadets.
Fire Training Action Pics

Train
Exercise
Educate
On October 24, 2014, City of Conroe Officials and employees participated in a one day orientation put on by Conroe Professional Firefighter’s Association and Conroe Fire Department. The focus was to demonstrate what firefighters experience while responding to structure fires. This was useful in showing our elected officials why there is a need for equipment requests.