

The FIRE Report

A monthly report of Fire Department activities to City Council

October
2005



From the Chief

We are very pleased to have accepted delivery of Ladder 27. We have gotten some equipment on it and it is ready for service. We actually used it Friday October 7 to block an intersection during the severe flooding along Fraser street.

We are also pleased to have a reserve pumper that is on loan to us from the Charleston Fire Department. We really appreciate Chief Thomas realizing our temporary equipment shortage and coming to our rescue.

Joey Tanner



Training and Safety Division

Monthly City Safety Meeting Of Safety Committee

Training Topic: Personal Protective Equipment

11 Personnel Accident Reports Reviewed
2 Motor vehicle accident reports reviewed
2 Equipment Damage Reports reviewed

Firefighter Training

Haz Mat Technician Refresher Training

All Personnel; 36 hours

Child Car Seat Safety

9 Firefighters from 2 Departments; 8 hours

SC Fire Academy Fire Service Supervision

4 Firefighters; 16 hours

SC Fire Academy Instructor Orientation Workshop

Leadership I, II, III - 2 Instructors

Medical Training

Quality Assurance and Patient Care Meeting - 6 EMTs

Training - Hematological Disorders - 6 EMTs

Totals

Total Training Hours All Personnel 422.45

Suppression Division

Calls of Note

Sept 1 - Car fire; 2008 Duke Street
Sept 3 - Non fire sprinkler activation 1310 N. Fraser
Sept 4 - False Alarm; 416 Hill Street
Sept 6 - Natural Gas Leak; 1905 Front Street
Sept 7 - False Alarm; 1257 N. Fraser
Sept 7 - Electrical Fire; Highmarket at St. James
Sept 9 - False Alarm; 606 Blackriver Road
Sept 10 - Brush fire; 1800 block of Highmarket
Sept 12 - False Alarm; 125 Greenwich Blvd.
Sept 13 - House Fire; 2420 Church Street
Sept 14 - Wind Damage Assessment; City Wide
Sept 15 - Mutual Aid to Georgetown County for house fire on Marion street in Kensington.
Sept 16 - House Fire; 2317 Prince Street
Sept 17 - Special Assistance Detail to Kaminski House
Sept 17 - Industrial Fire; Mittal Steel
Sept 19 - Industrial Fire; Mittal Steel
Sept 23 - Brush Fire; 2032 Front Street
Sept 24 - Industrial Fire; Mittal Steel
Sept 26 - False Alarm; 430 N. Fraser
Sept 29 - House Fire; 1609 Hawkins Street
Sept 29 - False Alarm; 320 N. Hazard

Special Note: Our fire investigation team has spent numerous hours working with a team from Mittal Steel in an attempt to find out the cause of a series of fires at the Rolling Mill's re-heat furnace. The team has narrowed the cause of the fires to two potential solutions that are being implemented now.



Building Inspections

Buildings Inspected	49
Violations Found	21
Buildings without violations	33
Re-Inspections and Follow up	15
Construction Meetings	7
Plans Reviewed	3
Tests Conducted	3
Complaints Reviewed	6

Public Fire Safety Education

8 Programs: Child Passenger Safety Car Seats; Georgetown Memorial Hospital; Wal-Mart; Clemson Extension Service; Fire and Life Safety Program; Maryville Elementary

Weather Notes

September Weather

High Temperature 97 degrees on the 17th
 Low Temperature 65 degrees on the 5th
 High Heat Index 102 degrees on the 16th

High Wind 35 mph on the 13th

Total Rainfall for the Month: 2.67 Inches
 Total Rainfall for the Year: 30.94 Inches

62 Subscribers to **WeatherUsers** received 92 storm reports.

Next storms will be named using the Greek alphabet: Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta

Longest Named Storm Season? 1995 - Went through Tanya
 Longest Storm Season? 1933 - 21 Storms (No Names)



Don't Forget Our Troops

Thomas Shane Singletary serving with the 178th Field Artillery Unit - Georgetown; SC Army National Guard - Iraq and Kuwait

Welcome Home Celebration Saturday October 15 at Georgetown High Football Stadium

Call Volume **September**
2005 2004 YTD
 As defined by the National Fire Incident Report System

Fires	11	8	92
Rescue Calls/EMS	53	55	535
Hazardous Conditions	44	49	360
Service Calls	14	14	126
Good Intent Calls	5	2	27
False Alarms	8	14	93
Weather/Flood	1	1	11
Special Incident Type	1	2	21
Total Calls	137	145	1265

Save/Loss Analysis

	Losses	Property Value
September 2005	\$ 510	\$ 34,556,003
September 2004	\$ 9,860	\$ 422,200
Year to Date	\$ 884,700	\$ 65,526,041

Mutual Aid Calls

To Georgetown County Fire	2
To Midway Fire	0
To other Departments	0
From Georgetown County Fire	4
From Midway	0
From other Departments	0

Assistance to Other Agencies

Meetings between Command Staff and Other Agencies

- Georgetown County Emergency Preparedness
- Georgetown Memorial Hospital
- SC State Chief's Association
- SC State Fire Fighters Association
- SC Municipal Association
- Budget and Control Board - Palmetto 800 (radio system)
- Georgetown Bicentennial Committee
- Welcome Home! Troops!
- Mittal Steel

In observance of October as Fire Safety Month the Department will hold its annual Open House Saturday October 29th beginning at 10:00 AM