

The FIRE Report

A monthly report of Fire Department activities to City Council

November
2005



OPEN HOUSE

Several hundred people attended the Department's annual Open House on Saturday October 29. Participants were treated with puppet shows, equipment demonstrations, fire safety techniques.

A crew of fire fighters extinguished a large propane gas fire for spectators, who could actually feel the heat of the fire from 200 feet away.

The details of Open House and the winners of our Fire Safety Poster and Essay Writing contests are posted on our web site at www.georgetowncityfire.org.

Training and Safety Division

Monthly City Safety Meeting Of Safety Committee

Training Topic: Fire Prevention

3 Personnel Accident Reports Reviewed
1 Motor vehicle accident reports reviewed
1 Equipment Damage Reports reviewed

Firefighter Training

Haz Mat Technician Refresher Training

All Personnel; 20 hours

Haz Mat Technician Testing

All Personnel; 4 hours

NIMS Training For City Employees

8 employees; 4 hours

Pump Operations for Ladder 27

All Personnel; 8 hours

Training Achievement Event

All Personnel; Make up Event; 2 hours

Driver Re-Certification

2 Personnel; 2 hours

Medical Training

Quality Assurance and Patient Care Meeting - 6 EMTs
Training - Cardiac Care - 5 EMTs

Totals

Total Training Hours All Personnel 472.11

Suppression Division

Calls of Note

Oct 1 - Street Flooding - North Fraser Street
Oct 2 - Cooking Fire - 902 Drayton Street
Oct 2 - Cooking Fire - 2316 Winyah
Oct 3 - House Fire - 423 Daisy
Oct 5 - False Alarm 2904 South Island Road
Oct 5 - False Alarm - 320 North Hazard
Oct 5 - Electrical Fire - 2021 Asbury
Oct 6 - Street Flooding - North Fraser Street (Closed)
Oct 6 - Building Collapse - 210 South Fraser
Oct 7 - Street Flooding - North Fraser Street (Closed)
Oct 7 - Water Rescue - Washington Street
Oct 9 - Electrical Fire - 1811 Winyah
Oct 9 - Vehicle Fire - 225 Martin
Oct 10 - False Alarm - 419 Orange
Oct 10 - False Alarm - 525 Lafayette
Oct 12 - False Alarm - 420 Marina Drive
Oct 13 - Cooking Fire - 29 Hines
Oct 14 - Truck Fire - 2200 block of South Fraser
Oct 14 - Vehicle Fire - 800 block of South Kaminski
Oct 15 - House Fire - 1910 Emanuel
Oct 16 - Cooking Fire - 223 Smith Street
Oct 18 - False Alarm - 2425 South Bay
Oct 19 - House Fire - 1960 Hampton Court
Oct 21 - House Fire - 500 South Kaminski
Oct 27 - House Fire - 301 Martin Street
Oct 28 - False Alarm - 2401 Maybank
Oct 31 - Vehicle Fire - Church and Blackriver



Building Inspections

Buildings Inspected	37
Violations Found	24
Buildings without violations	17
Re-Inspections and Follow up	5
Construction Meetings	9
Plans Reviewed	3
Tests Conducted	3
Complaints Reviewed	7

Public Fire Safety Education

23 Programs for 2106 participants

Weather Notes

October Weather

High Temperature	87.5 degrees on the 8 th
Low Temperature	36.6 degrees on the 30 th
High Heat Index	95 degrees on the 8 th
Lowest Wind Chill	34.6 degrees on the 25 th
High Wind	38 mph on the 23 rd

Total Rainfall for the Month: 22.67 Inches
 Total Rainfall for the Year: 53.61 Inches

62 Subscribers to **WeatherUsers** received 43 storm reports.

Next storm: Gamma
 Storm season ends on the 30th of this month.

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



Fire Fighters attack a powerful liquid propane gas fire as spectators watch. The fire originates from a simulator used to train fire fighters in approaching large, hot fire. The Georgetown Ameri Gas plant provided the propane.

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

Fires	14	5	106
Rescue Calls/EMS	60	77	595
Hazardous Conditions	54	52	414
Service Calls	25	16	151
Good Intent Calls	1	2	28
False Alarms	14	12	107
Weather/Flood	6	8	17
Special Incident Type	12	15	33
Total Calls	186	187	1451

Save/Loss Analysis

	Losses	Property Value
October 2005	\$ 17,348	\$ 1,534,011
October 2004	\$ 72,070	\$ 287,020
Year to Date	\$ 446,552	\$ 75,309,556

Mutual Aid Calls

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

Assistance to Other Agencies

Meetings between Command Staff and Other Agencies

- Georgetown County Emergency Preparedness
- Doctor's Care of Georgetown
- National Weather Service Wilmington
- Georgetown Memorial Hospital
- Horry Georgetown Instructors Association
- SC State Chief's Association
- SC State Fire Fighters Association
- Horry Georgetown Technical College
- SC Municipal Association
- Budget and Control Board - Palmetto 800 (radio system)
- Mittal Steel

Mittal Steel officials, working with our fire investigation team, discovered the cause of multiple fires in the Rolling Mill's reheat furnace. Repairs were applied and there has not been another fire in that furnace. Mittal reimbursed us for some \$ 8,000 worth of fire fighting foam.