

# The **FIRE** Report

A monthly report of Fire Department activities to City Council

April  
2006



## **Chief Cobb Retires after 29 Years of Service**

Battalion Chief Lorenza Cobb was honored at an afternoon luncheon for his many years of service to the City of Georgetown. Chief Cobb was awarded a bronze firefighter's axe by Chief Joseph K. Tanner and City Administrator Steve Thomas during the event.

Chief Cobb's shift presented him with several gifts of fishing tackle and a cooler for his retirement.

Chief Cobb thanked those in attendance and remarked on the many memories he has received over the years.

## **Training and Safety Division**

### **Monthly City Safety Meeting Of Safety Committee**

Training Topic: First Aid and CPR

2 Personnel Accident Reports Reviewed  
0 Public Injury Reports Reviewed  
3 Public Vehicle Report Reviewed

### **Firefighter Training**

#### **SCBA Fit Testing OSHA 1910.134**

All Personnel

#### **800 MHz Radio Equipment**

All Personnel-

#### **Master Stream Devices**

All Personnel

#### **Driver Training**

Volunteer Firefighters

#### **Foam and Foam Equipment; Fire Behavior**

#### **30 Hour OSHA Compliance Course - Fire Academy**

### **Medical Training**

Long and Short Spine Board Immobilization  
Quality Assurance and Patient Care Meeting - 10 EMTs

### **Totals**

Total Training Hours All Personnel 651.25

## **Suppression Division**

### **Calls of Note**

March 1 - Structure Fire - 2902 South Island  
March 1 - Vehicle Fire - Rainey and Avant  
March 1 - Vehicle Fire - 1045 N. Fraser  
March 2 - False Alarm - Georgetown Memorial  
March 4 - Vehicle Fire - 1300 B N. Fraser  
March 4 - Vehicle Fire - 617 Church Street  
March 5 - Odor of Smoke - 2031 Church Street  
March 6 - Dumpster Fire - 120 Broad Street  
March 8 - Gas Leak - 503 Britt Street  
March 9 - Structure Fire - 2902 South Island  
March 9 - Structure Fire - 2106 Front  
March 12 - Structure Fire - 301 Martin Street  
March 13 - Structure Fire - 213 Martin Street  
March 15 - Odor of Smoke - 515 Palm Street  
March 17 - Structure Fire - 420 Marina Drive  
March 17 - Structure Fire - 1255 N. Fraser  
March 18 - False Alarm - 420 Marina Drive  
March 21 - Flood Assessment - N. Fraser Street  
March 22 - Vehicle Fire - Hawkins and Kaminski  
March 24 - Structure Fire - 717 N. Hazard  
March 25 - Woods Fire - Mary Hines Lane



**Building Inspections**

Buildings Inspected	65
Violations Found	39
Buildings without violations	31
Re-Inspections and Follow up	25
Construction Meetings	14
Plans Reviewed	3
Tests Conducted	0
Complaints Reviewed	13

**Public Fire Safety Education**

14 Programs for 480 participants

**Weather Notes**

March Weather

High Temperature	81.4 on the 13th
Low Temperature	32.1 on the 4th
High Heat Index	82 on the 13th
Lowest Wind Chill	17.1 on the 4th
High Wind	30 Mph on the 2nd

Total Rainfall for the Month: 1.92 Inches  
 Total Rainfall for the Year: 9.1 Inches



The Department's Honor Guard appeared at Georgetown High's Varsity Softball field on their Opening Day and again for Senior Night. The Honor Guard has made six appearances since it was organized including rendering honors and acting as pall bearers for a Georgetown County fire fighter.

**Call Volume** **March**  
**2006 2005 YTD**  
 As defined by the National Fire Incident Report System

Fires	21	10	34
Rescue Calls/EMS	73	58	189
Hazardous Conditions	49	46	136
Service Calls	14	14	46
Good Intent Calls	3	7	6
False Alarms	6	13	23
Weather/Flood	1	1	2
Special Incident Type	6	0	9
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>445</b>

**Save/Loss Analysis**

	Losses	Property Values
March 2006	\$ 126,216	\$ 14,621,206
March 2005	\$ 54,013	\$ 15,390,851
Year to Date	\$ 280,919	\$ 15,596,006

**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
- SC State Chief's Association
- Georgetown County Local Emergency Planning Committee
- Horry Georgetown Technical College
- Budget and Control Board - Palmetto 800 (radio system)
- Georgetown High School
- Maryville Elementary School
- Georgetown County Emergency Services
- Insurance Service Office

Upcoming events...

April and May - Full system flow tests of the water distribution system.

April, May and June - Shift competition for the Training Achievement Award.