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Technical Rescue Notes.

Stephens City's Technical Rescue Team has responded to multiple incidents this year. The Team has been as far as West Virginia to Page County to lend assistance.

The Technical rescue Team is growing with the addition of three new Swiftwater Technicians, one new diver and two to test out. The divers train first as Open Water Divers. Then move to Advance Dive. The next step is Rescue Diver and then on to Public Safety Dive class. The last class is the technical dive that teaches them search patterns, evidence collection, underwater navigation.

This year we also certified five new rope Technicians. As well as added a new PADI dive instructor to our ranks.

As the County grows we must grow with it. The cost of Fire & Rescue is a staggering amount for Volunteers to continue the upkeep and day to day operations. We greatly depend on our Career staff to help us answer calls & the community's help for funding.



What can you do to help?

Volunteers Needed:

We currently need you help!

Do you have the courage to care? If

You do we may be what you're looking for.

Please stop by the station and see

Anyone on the membership committee.

Seven out of ten firefighters are volunteers.

If you have the heart to serve your community

In ways few can, we have the opportunity for you!

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The 2018 Fall FUND DRIVE is underway!

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As the seasons change we see more people using wood to heat their homes. We would like to remind everyone that chimneys should be cleaned and inspected before using them. Please use caution with stove & fireplace ashes and only store them in metal cans away from combustible materials. Leaves also pose a risk when accumulated around your homes and storage sheds.

The wet summer has posed many problems with flooding of basements and crawl spaces. If the wet weather pattern continues we may be in for a slippery winter season.

We encourage you to stop by the station located at 5346 Mulberry Street for a visit. October was Fire Prevention month and the community is always welcome to tour the station.

With the Holiday Season fast approaching we will make plans to have Santa visit your neighborhood starting in December. Please Like us on Facebook as we update the ride schedule there.



DONATE TODAY!

Your Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company has been owned and operated by volunteers who live and work in this community Since 1939!

Operated and maintained by volunteers; supported by donations and contributions from the community; protecting property and preserving life for everyone that lives, works or travels through this area.

The company has grown from a small fire house with a single engine to one of the busiest fire stations in the region. Built by this community and guided by our founding philosophies *“to serve as a Guardian to my community always ready to respond to those who are in need.”*

Please donate to our Fall Fund Drive to show your support for our volunteers who sacrifice so much, risking life and limb to protect you, your family, and your property. Please remember, your entire donation goes toward the support of local 24/7 emergency services, apparatus maintenance, facility maintenance and the purchasing of new equipment.

Help us maintain your community's emergency services by sending your tax-deductible donation today!



Asking for Help!

The time has come for us to start planning to replace one of our most expensive pieces of equipment. Starting this fall, we will set up a special fund to replace Tower 11. This vehicle has served our community well over the past eighteen years. The old girl was purchased in 2000 from a bid process from Washington Metropolitan Airport.

We sent the truck back to the manufacturer for a complete refurbish. We placed the truck in service in the spring of 2001. The vehicle is currently in service today, seventeen years later. The truck is a 105' aerial platform with a 2000 gallon per minute pump.

Looking at operation expenses and the overall age of the truck we realize we will soon need to replace it.

Tower 11 serves the entire south end of the County. There are only two other ladder trucks county wide, Greenwood and Gainesboro.

So, what is the cost of a new Ladder Tower you may ask? The average cost of a Ladder Tower hovers around 1.2 million dollars and that is unequipped. This will be quite an undertaking for the Volunteers. Dinners, boot drives and many breakfasts will need to be served.

If you would like to donate toward the new Ladder Tower please mark your donation and it will be placed in a special fund.