



Monthly Newsletter

October 2012

What happened?

Here is a breakdown of the hours I spent with Marion County Fire Rescue and Fire Rescue Support last month...

September	
Accidents	2.0
Ceremonies	6.5
CISD	0.0
Counseling	0.0
Fires	2.0
Funeral related	2.0
Hospital visits	6.0
Incidents	7.5
Meetings	6.0
Station Visits	18.0
Training	0.0
Wedding related	0.0
Monthly total	50.0



Our guys taking a break from the action. The back of my car is a common meeting place as I make sure I always have a supply of snacks and cold water.

Call of the Month

Since 2001, the month of September has become very important to the fire service, for it was on September 11th that terrorists attacked America killing nearly 3,000 people including 343 members of the Fire Department of New York.

To commemorate this day, I joined firefighters from Marion County Fire Rescue on 9/11/12 in an early morning activity to remember those from the fire family that lost their lives. We met at the Florida State Fire College and made use of their smoke tower. We climbed up and down that tower to simulate 110 floors – the number of floors in the World Trade Center.

As we climbed, we each carried the name of a firefighter from FDNY who made the ultimate sacrifice that day. I remembered Father Mychal Judge, Chaplain of FDNY. Father Mychal was designated as "Victim 0001" and thereby recognized as the first official victim of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

What's happening now?



Marriage & Family Community Celebration September 27, 2012

As part of the Marion County Marriage & Family Consortium, Fire Rescue Support had the opportunity to set up a table at a recent ministry dinner.

Marion County Fire Rescue Four-Alarm Formal September 29, 2012

I was privileged to receive a helmet and coat from the men and women of Marion County Fire Rescue at their annual awards dinner.



What's coming up?

On Friday, October 12, I will have the privilege of participating in the annual Florida Fallen Firefighter Memorial. This service is designed to honor those Florida firefighters who made the supreme sacrifice.

Thank you!

Thanks for your interest in Fire Rescue Support. For more information go to www.firerescuesupport.com.

