



# Monthly Newsletter

## May 2013

### What happened?

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

<b>April</b>	
Accidents	7.0
Ceremonies	8.0
CISD	0.0
Counseling	1.5
Fires	12.5
Funeral related	2.5
Hospital visits	2.0
Office	0.0
Incidents	4.0
Meetings	7.5
Station Visits	18.5
Training	9.0
Wedding related	6.5
<b>Monthly total</b>	<b>79.0</b>



### Call of the Month

On Saturday, April 20 at 10:37pm, I was alerted via pager of an incident at Hampton Manor, an assisted living community in Belleview. What was initially dispatched as an alarm due to water flow turned out to be a tree on the building. The tree had crashed through the roof causing the sprinkler system to break resulting in water flooding the premises. Fortunately, no one was injured. However, the facility had to be evacuated.

This meant Marion County Fire Rescue (MCFR) had to help over 50 residents transfer from the facility to vehicles waiting to take them to another location. This all took place as the late hours of Saturday turned into the early hours of Sunday. For the residents, this was a confusing time – they had been awakened by the alarm system and now they were being whisked off to another facility.

Through it all, the personnel of MCFR show the utmost respect, compassion and concern for the residents. This wasn't an exciting or glamorous call, but our crews performed with the highest level of professionalism. I'm proud to be associated with such a great team of people.

## What's happening now?



### Chaplain Course at FSFC

On April 26, fifteen people attended the first ever chaplain's course sponsored by Fire Rescue Support and hosted by the Florida State Fire College. In attendance were experienced chaplains, new chaplains, soon-to-be chaplains and those interested in learning more about the chaplaincy. It was a great day of networking, encouragement and learning.

## What's coming up?



### Partnership with Dunkin Donuts/Baskin-Robbins

I am very excited to announce a wonderful partnership between Fire Rescue Support and the Marion County area Dunkin Donuts/Baskin-Robbins (DDBR) stores. DDBR has as one of its goals to promote safety for our neighborhoods through partnerships with organizations that support firefighters, public safety officers, and troops at home and abroad. As the first evidence of this partnership, the seven DDBR stores will promote **EMS Week May 19-25** highlighting the work of the Paramedics and EMTs of Marion County Fire Rescue and Ocala Fire Rescue. In addition, the work of Fire Rescue Support will be featured and **10% of the proceeds** of sales from 4-9pm all week will go to our organization. Join us in celebrating EMS Week in Marion County and support our work by visiting one of the seven DDBR stores during the evenings of May 19-25.

## Thank you!

Thanks for your interest in and support of Fire Rescue Support. We exist to support fire rescue personnel before, during and after the call. Visit [www.firerescuesupport.com](http://www.firerescuesupport.com) for more information or find us on Facebook. You can simply click on the images below.

