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October is a very special month for the fire service.

On October 9, 2016 we will observe Firefighters Memorial Sunday. On that day, the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation will hold the national tribute to all the firefighters that made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty during 2015.

October 9th through the 15th is Fire Prevention Week. The theme for this year is: *Don't Wait - Check the Date! Replace smoke alarms every 10 years!* We encourage everyone to test their smoke alarms every month and change batteries twice a year, for example when the time changes. If you reside in the city limits of Pine Bluff and do not have a smoke detector please contact our office and we will put one in for you.

During the month of October, Pine Bluff Fire & Emergency Services will continue bringing fire safety messages to our schools. We also do this throughout the rest of the year as requested. You can never be too prepared for fire safety.

It is also the time of year when citizens need to have your heating units checked and serviced for the upcoming seasons. Please have your central heating units and fireplaces cleaned and checked or any other means you use to heat your homes.

Shaawn Howell

Fire Chief

Important Dates

**Oct 9th-15th
Fire Prevention Week**

Oct 10th—Columbus Day

October 31st - Halloween

**Don't Wait —
Check the Date!**
Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years

**Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 9-15, 2016** Age matters when it comes to your smoke alarms.
Check the manufacture dates on your smoke alarms today!



Hot Shots



Southeast Arkansas Fair & Rodeo



**Probationary Firefighter
Corey Fontenot works Fire
Department booth!**

**Ladder 1
Rodeo Parade!**



**Engineer Brent Ruggeri reads to 1st
graders at Ridgway Christian School**



Coffee with the Chiefs



8/10/16 at 4:45pm Engine 6 Personnel, Lt Bryan Moore, Engineer Matthew Inman, and Firefighter Cedric Adams responded to 6200 block of Knight Avenue to remove a 3 month old baby from inside a locked vehicle. Baby was removed from vehicle and assessed on scene by EASI. Baby checked out ok

On 8/10/16, Ladder 1 personnel Engineer Justin Taylor and Firefighter Tyler Harrison responded to a request by an Animal Control Officer for assistance in getting a kitten down off of an electrical pole. The kitten had been there for approximately 2 days. It was finally rescued and was reunited with its grateful owner. According to AC Officer the rescue was witnessed by several area residents and all was impressed that such a little life caused such a big scene.



October Anniversaries

Derrick Johnson - Oct 25th - 12 years

October Birthdays

- Sven Hipp - October 6th
- Desmond Fuller - October 8th
- Harold Clark - October 14th
- Mozell Gipson - October 16th
- Fabian Fontenot - October 19th
- Steven Rice - October 23rd
- Justin Thompson - October 23rd
- Quentin Williams - October 25th
- April Morgan - October 31st



New Probationary Firefighters

Pine Bluff Fire & Emergency Services is pleased to announce hiring of fourteen new probationary firefighters. These new firefighters will go thru extension classroom and hand-ons training in the coming months before attending the Arkansas Fire Training Academy in January.

In the last year to year and a half we have had several firefighters either retire or have left and moved away which created an unusual amount of openings. With these hiring it will bring the Fire Department back to full staff.

New Probationary Firefighters are as follows:

Taylor Cumblidge
Christopher Doolittle
Justin Dunn
Corey Fontenot
Desmond Fuller
Derrick Jacobs
Stephen Kirtley

Kevin Lightsey
Derrick Marshall
April Morgan
Judge Parker
Brandon Shorter
Drew Wibbelsman
Jalen Wilkins

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

In support of October being Breast Cancer Awareness Month personnel will be allowed to wear specialty designed tshirts while on duty. Personnel are also authorized to wear pink hats, wristbands. Administrative and office personnel will wear the shirts on casual Friday!

