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Fire & Rescue System Honors 2021 Medal Day Recipients

On Tuesday, December 14th, the Prince William County Fire and Rescue System recognized recipients of the 2021 Medal Day Awards. Due to COVID, the ceremony was performed virtually. This was the Fifth Annual Medal Day Ceremony honoring fire and rescue members for exemplary achievements and heroism.

The fire and rescue members, recognized, exemplify the daily commitment to exceptional service to the citizens we serve. The awards demonstrate the level of skill and valor with which we respond to each and every emergency call and how we continuously improve our service to the community and its residents. All the award recipients have distinguished themselves in the performance of their duties.

The following team members were recognized:

UNIT CITATION AWARD

Award issued to a unit for their exemplary performance during operation at an emergency incident.

Unit Citation Award Recipients

Battalion Chief John Barbachano
Battalion Chief Gene Luckinbill
Chief Steven Godin (OWLVFD)
Captain Bryan Battenfeld
Captain Steven Brubaker
Captain Michael Darabond
Captain Christopher Eddy
Captain Christopher Moody
Technician II Jemeel Brady
Technician II John Campbell
Technician II Scott Coloe

Lieutenant Todd Bell
Lieutenant James Bourque
Lieutenant William Carson
Lieutenant Christopher Clark
Lieutenant Aaron Crispin
Lieutenant Robert Dimmel
Lieutenant Robert Keib Jr.
Lieutenant Allen Lagrave
Lieutenant Christopher Lautenschlager
Lieutenant David Caruana
Lieutenant Thomas Klimtzak

Lieutenant Michael Mountain
Lieutenant Mitch Nason
Lieutenant Abraham Uribe
Technician II Mark Balanda
Technician II Shawn Bliss
Technician I Joseph O'Dell
Technician I John Peddle
Technician I Alexander Pion
Technician I Lindsay Savat
Technician II Kelly Williams
Technician II Austin Wing

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Unit Citation Award Recipients (cont'd)

Technician II Jeffrey Dowell	Technician I Asley Amezquita	Technician I Nathan Smith
Technician II Nate Eppley	Technician I Robert Attrill	Technician I Joshua Taylor
Technician II Hector Guerrero	Technician II James Walker	Technician I Nicholas White
Technician II Curtis Hooks	Technician I Ewan Baird	Technician I Seth Whitmore
Technician II Daniel Jackson	Technician I Daniel Bragg	Technician I Michael Woods
Technician II James Klenk	Technician I Aldo Bonilla	Technician I Daniel Worrell
Technician II Keith Kraus	Technician I Rebecca Cheeley	Technician I William Norman
Technician II Adam Lienau	Technician I Nicolas Cicero	Technician I Carl Nunziata
Technician II Lauren Linkous	Technician I Brian Delaliam	TC I Abbey Bostic
Technician II Cager Mackaravitz	Technician I Andrew Denner	TC I Exavier Febus
Technician II James Maneval	Technician I Jordan Flasher	TCIV Sherry Halpin
Technician II David McAlister	Technician I Kevin Ganssle	TC II Karen Lackey
Technician II John Mory	Technician I Talia Hedley	TCIV Katherine McIlvoy
Technician II Shaun Polite	Technician I Michael Hendrickson	TC III Amy Stancer
Technician II Louis Raniszewski	Technician I Russell Lane	TC III Andrea Watt
Technician II Jajuan Reed	Technician I Damian Lyles	Joshua Cabrera (DTVFD)
Technician II Christopher Saxon	Technician I Clive Monnity	Brian Kortuem (DTVFD)
Technician II Michael Shaw	Technician I Jordan Nail	Fletcher Moore (DTVFD)
Technician II Luis Teller	Technician I Michael Nail	Jenny Paz (DTVFD)
Technician II Michael Olsen	Technician I Michael Foster	
Technician II Stephen King	Technician I Seth Wayland	

LIFESAVING AWARD

Award issued in recognition of acts taken in a life-threatening situation in which a victim's life is in jeopardy. This award may also be given for a very complex rescue with the patient's survival.

Lifesaving Award Recipients

Captain Michael Darabond	Technician II Bradley Henschel	Technician I Brian Bell
Lieutenant Lou Berecz	Technician II Greg Klatte	Technician I Lee Bergstreser
Lieutenant Robert Dimmel	Technician II Lauren Linkous	Technician I Jordan Flasher
Lieutenant Meagan Donelan	Technician II Cager Mackaravitz	Technician I Ricardo Gibson
Lieutenant Matthew Livingston	Technician II James Maneval	Technician I Jeremy Lonas
Lieutenant Andrew Pagano	Technician II Tyler Marnell	Technician I Julie McGuire
Lieutenant Helton Pereira	Technician II Thomas Muse	Technician I Louis Raniszewski
Technician II Anthony (A.J.) Aquinto	Technician II Brian Pelletier	Technician I Eric Spangler
Technician II Luderic Claustro	Technician II Dan Williams	Technician I Joshua Taylor
Technician II John Cramsey	Technician I Nicolas Alexander	Technician I Marc Walsh

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Award issued in recognition of acts, while on or off duty, involving personal risk and/or demonstration of judgement, zeal or ingenuity not normally involved in the performance of duties. This award is open to uniform and non-uniform personnel.

Meritorious Service Award Recipients

Battalion Chief Dan McCleese	Technician II Jonathan Carter	Technician I Isaac Brooks
Captain Stephanie Clark	Technician II Bob Harrell	Technician I Jeremy Lonas
Captain Mike Darabond	Technician II Justin Hartling	Technician I John Peddle
Captain Joe Hopper	Technician II Mike Kleitz	Natasha Abrams
Captain William Sanderson	Technician II Adam Lienau	Chris Brothers
Lieutenant Rob Ardaiolo	Technician II Lauren Linkous	Kim Hylander
Lieutenant Robert Dimmel	Technician II John Malley	Taylor Jones
Lieutenant Andrew Pagano	Technician II Brendon Malone	Dominic Marchionna
Technician II Craig Avallone	Technician II Nat Mathews	Administrative Support Assistant
Technician II Brian Burkhardt	Technician II Kendrick Terry	III Tamara Brooks

TECHNICIAN OF THE YEAR

Award issued for a uniformed employee at the rank of Technician I or II who demonstrates outstanding service, attitude, and dedication during the year. Their actions demonstrated the Department's core values and resulted in at least one of the following: safer work environment, better public relations with the citizens and/or other government agencies, increased effectiveness of the organization and/or service to the public.

Technician of the Year Recipient

Technician II Ken Butler

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Award issued for a uniformed employee at the rank of lieutenant and above who demonstrated outstanding service, attitude, and dedication during the year. Their actions demonstrated the departments core values and resulted in at least one of the following: safer work environment, better public relations with the citizens and/or other government agencies, increased effectiveness of the organization and/or service to the public.

Officer of the Year Award Recipient

Lieutenant Michael Cozdeba

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CHIEF'S COMMENDATION AWARD

Award issued to recognize an individual or group of individuals for actions taken on or off duty that reflect positively on the member(s), the Department, and the County representing the core values and highest traditions of the Department.

Chief's Commendation Award Recipients

Andrea Brown

Katie Kitzmiller

Brian Misner

Congratulations to all the recipients!

To view the presentation, click on the following link <https://youtu.be/vbvIYjrhD00>.

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