

1st Quarter

April 21, 2009

Tumwater Fire Department Quarterly Report

To: Doug Baker, City Administrator
From: John Carpenter, Fire Chief
For: City Council

Emergency Response Activity

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Special points of interest:

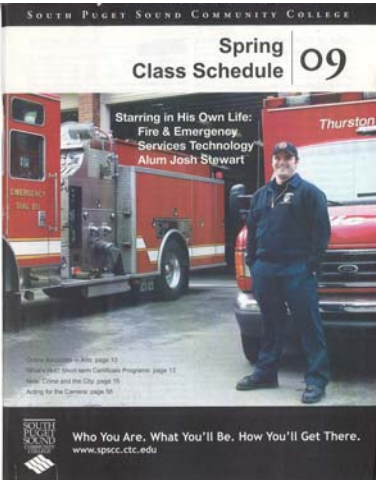
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Our Mission

To provide the citizens of Tumwater, protection from uncontrolled fire and hazardous materials through prevention efforts and suppression activities, as well as provide medical care to the sick and injured.

SUPPRESSION	JAN	FEB	MAR	1 ST QTR	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
False Alarms	33	14	16	63	63	64
Fire Calls	4	4	6	14	14	10
Good Intent/ Smoke seen	13	16	13	42	42	38
Hazardous Condition/ Chem Spills	6	1	2	9	9	14
Service Call/Non-urgent assist	7	8	9	24	24	24
Fire Totals	63	43	46	152	152	150
EMS						
In City BLS (Engine)	151	154	174	479	479	444
In City ALS (Medic Unit)	57	72	48	177	177	161
Out of City ALS (Medic Unit)	77	60	99	236	236	291
ALS TOTAL	134	132	147	413	413	452
ENGINE TOTAL	214	197	220	631	631	594
GRAND TOTAL	348	329	367	1044	1044	1046



MEDIC / SPRINT 14 ACTIVITY	JAN	FEB	MAR	1 ST QTR	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
MEDIC 14 (2 people)	20	5	11	36	36	NA
SPRINT 14 (1 person)	31	60	72	163	163	NA
GRAND TOTAL	51	65	83	199	199	NA

FF/PM Josh Stewart

Training Hours

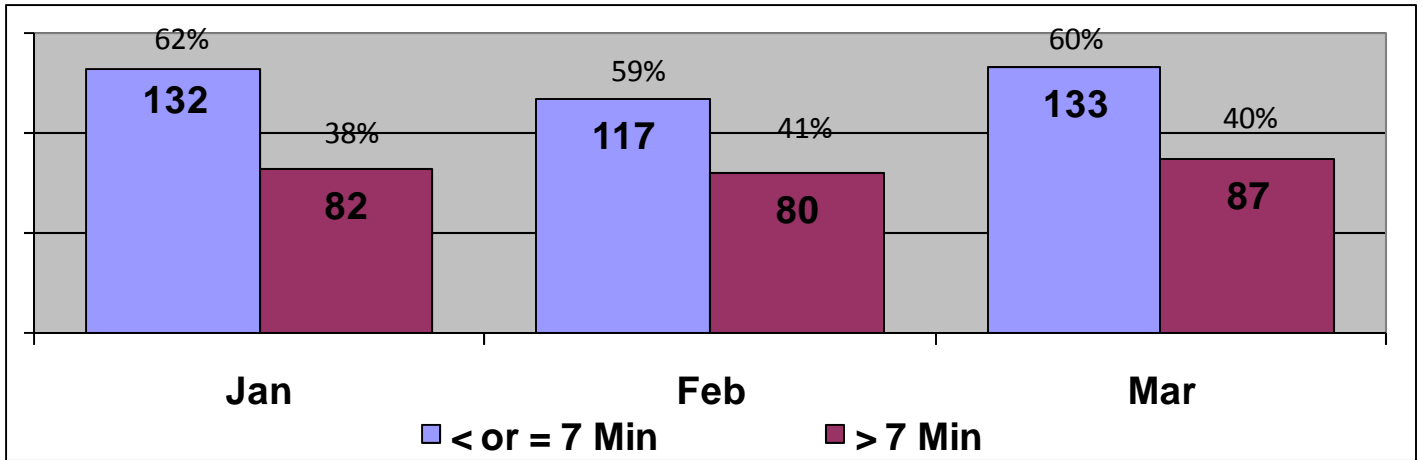
<i>CLASSES</i>	JAN	FEB	MAR	1 ST QTR	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
Administration	45.5	17	38	100.5	100.5	74
Aircraft Fire & Rescue	0	0	6	6	6	2
Apparatus & Equipment Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	2
Apparatus Driver/Operator	2	11	2	15	15	70
Emergency Medical	52	12	49	113	113	70.5
Fire Prevention	31.5	124	19	174.5	174.5	60
Fire Suppression	266	313.5	977	1556.5	1556.5	161
Hazardous Materials	0	15	24	39	39	32
Occupational Safety & Health	23.5	18	150	191.5	191.5	38
Officer Training	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ongoing Training & Education	8	21	39	68	68	123
Technical Rescue	15.5	0	84	99.5	99.5	223.5
Total for Training	444	531.5	1388	2363.5	2363.5	856

CONFERENCES & TRAINING

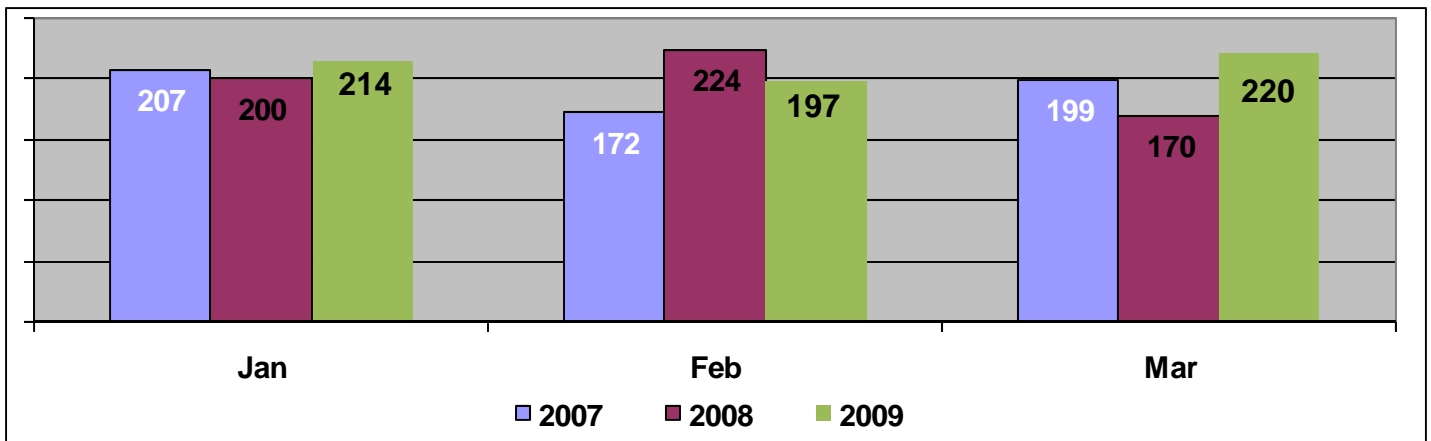
- 1/29 FF Mike Pavlich completed a two day required ICS (Incident Command System) 300 course.
- 2/7 The 24th-Annual National Conference on Wilderness Medicine was attended by FF/PM's Jim Floyd and Tom Barker. Physicians and other health care providers that attended have an increased awareness of medical problems that are unique to the wilderness environment. The goal was to teach both practical and theoretical skills to health professionals, search and rescue personnel, and interested lay people. Upon completion of this course participants are able to describe, differentiate, assess, and treat common medical problems and emergencies commonly encountered in wilderness environments.
- 2/7 The five-day 2009 NW Fire Conference was held in Ocean Shores and was attended by Lt. FF Dale Britton.
- 2/20 FF/PM Tammy Raffelson attended the three-day West Region EMS Conference.
- 3/4 Fire Chief John Carpenter attended the 40th Annual Northwest Leadership Seminar held at the Red Lion Hotel on the River in Jantzen Beach, OR. Topics included, The Art of Vision, From Motivation to Motive-Action, Everyday Creativity: Extraordinary vs. Ordinary, The Science of Perception, Team Dynamics & High Reliability Organizations, and the D.R.I.V.E. Attitude.
- 3/13 The 2009 Labor-Management Forum was held in Lacey, WA and attended by Fire Chief John Carpenter, Assistant Fire Chief Jim McGarva, Lt. FF Brad Ridgeway and Union President, Lt. FF Jeff Jernigan. The Labor Management Forum is an event for new or existing Labor-Management committees. The goal in this forum is to provide instruction on how to change, build upon, or improve their overall relationships.
- 3/20 FF/PM Dave Hahn participated in the 2009 Paramedic Lecture Series held in Leavenworth, WA.
- 3/23 Fire Chief John Carpenter and Assistant Fire Chief Jim McGarva attended the Regional Fire Authority Implementation Workshop held at the Red Lion at the Quay in Vancouver, WA.
- 3/23 The Thurston County SORT team sponsored the Tree/High Angle Rope Rescue class which was attended by FF Ken Goldsby, and FF Jon Kalar who are the Tumwater Fire Department members of this specialty team. This was an intense 3-day , 30-hour course that focused on practical skills and scenarios. The course trains participants in high angle rope rescue techniques necessary for tree rescue situations. Tree rescue is a very specialized type of rope rescue involving special rigging and equipment.

Fire & BLS Response Averages

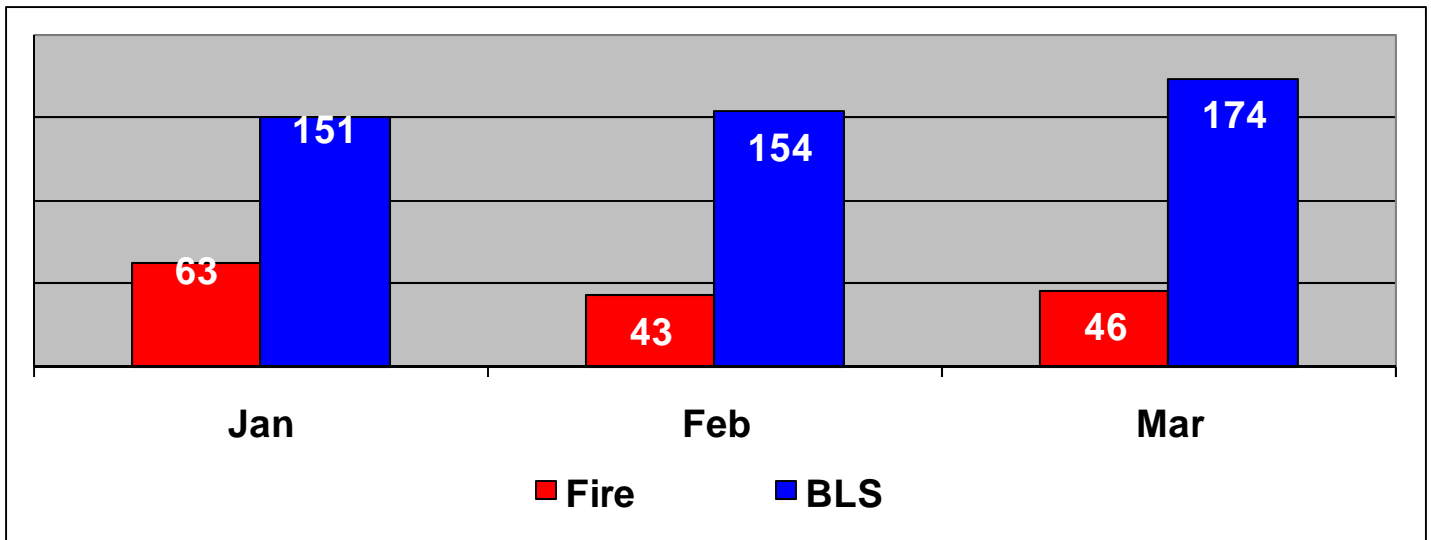
(Prior to the 2009 Fire Master Plan, the response averages were based on a 5 minute or greater response time, now it is based on 7 minutes or greater)



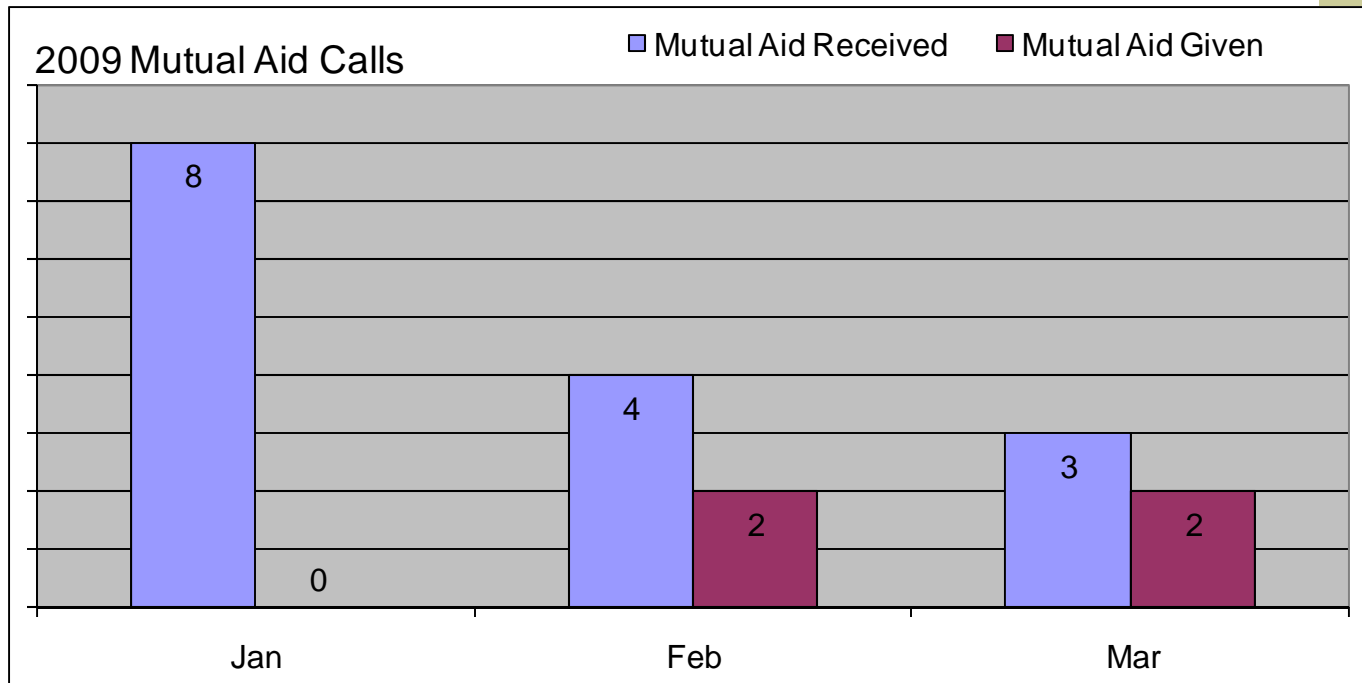
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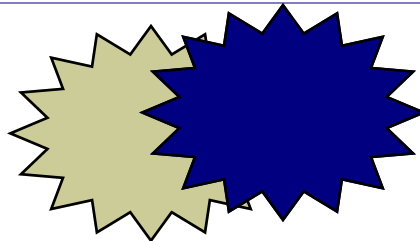
Fire vs EMS



Mutual Aid Responses



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*PUBLIC
EDUCATION*

- 1/1 District 1 (Grand Mound-Rochester Fire Department) Paramedics, JW Foster, Ben Wilburn, Doug Meier, and Tammy Raffelson, joined up with Tumwater Fire Department to provide coverage in the South County area.
- 1/8 FF/PM Wes Comstock began his twelve week training at the Bates Fire Academy in Tacoma, WA.
- 2/7-11 PM Tom Barker attended the EMS Wilderness National Conference in Montana.
- 2/11 "A" Shift assisted six Tumwater Tiger Boy Scouts in getting their badges for attending a fire prevention talk and a station tour.
- 2/21-25 Training Officer Lt. FF Darlene Raffelson participated in the 2009 Training & Safety Officers Conference held in Wenatchee, WA.
- 2/24-26 All three shifts participated in a Tumwater Brewery Search & Rescue Training.
- 3/7 Big Brothers Big Sisters Auction Birthday Party was held at the headquarters fire station for ten children. They also received a fire prevention talk and station tour. This was provided by Volunteer Firefighter Quinn Crowell.
- 3/11-12 Administration staff attended the City EAP Program held at the Fire Department training room.
- 3/19 Spencer Schueneman from District 9 did a ride a long with "A" Shift. This opportunity provides him the access to direct patient contact and training.

<i>PREVENTION EVENTS</i>	JAN	FEB	MAR	1 ST QTR	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
Public Education	2	3	5	10	10	8

"It's The Water And A lot More"