

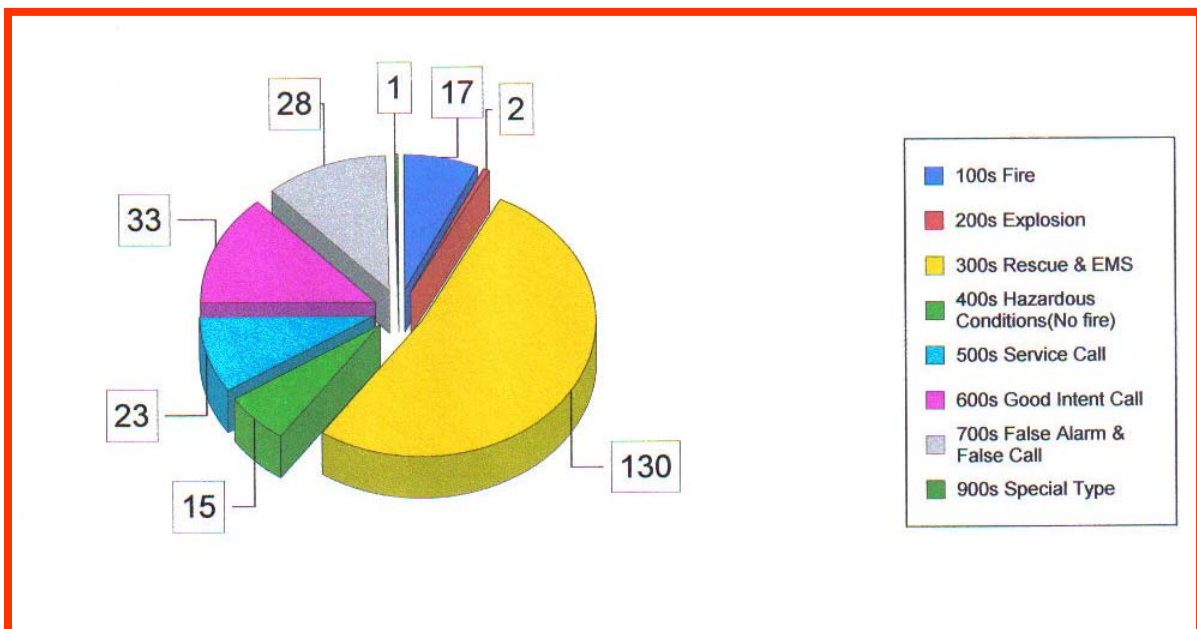
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

San Marcos Fire Rescue

April 2008

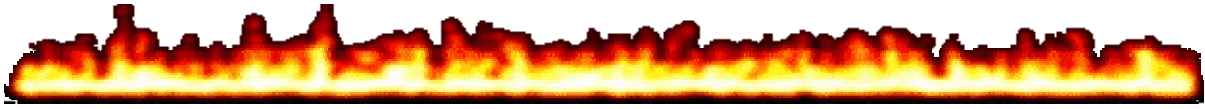
The following are the highlights of services provided by San Marcos Fire Rescue for the month of April 2008. Complete statistical data are available upon request.

- The Department answered a total of **249** calls in the 30-day period. This was **8.30** calls per day or one call every **2.89** hours.
- Rescue & EMS calls were the most often answered calls by volume, comprising 52.21% of the total calls, followed next by Good Intent Calls at 13.25%.



- City wide average response time for all calls for service was **5.29** minutes. Our goal is to have fire rescue units on scene within 5-minutes 90% of the time. We were able to meet the 5-minute benchmark on 57.5% of the calls.
- *The departments Iron Men for the month were Lieutenant Jeff Clark and Firefighter Vincent Marin with 42 calls. Congratulations Jeff and Vincent!*
- A – Shift answered the most calls for service with 87 for the month, followed by C-Shift with 85 and B-Shift with 77.

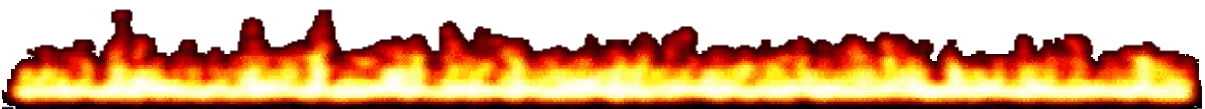
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- San Marcos Fire Rescue was successful again in obtaining Grant Funding from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection – Emergency Funding Program. Scholarships for 6 firefighters were granted to the Annual Municipal Fire Training School at Texas A&M University. One thousand feet of 5” Larger Diameter Hose was also granted. The total funding for the grant was **\$10,030.00**.
- San Marcos was the host City for the first Firefighter Fatality Investigation Training. Over 40 Fire Chief’s, Fire Marshal’s, the State Fire Marshal’s Office and the Texas Engineering Extension Service, Emergency Services Training Institute participated in the 2-day training program. The program is designed to investigate the cause of Firefighter fatalities and make recommendations to prevent future firefighter deaths.
- Hazardous Materials Technicians from SMFR responded to a major incident involving an 18-Wheeler in the San Marcos River. Crews worked throughout the early morning hours and for several days to remediate the chemicals that leaked out of the tractor into the river.



Hazardous Material Response Team Members from San Marcos Fire Rescue work to contain chemicals from a wrecked 18-wheeler in the San Marcos River





SMFR Haz-Mat Team Members work to remove diesel from the saddle tanks of a wrecked 18 wheeler pulled out of the San Marcos River

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Cooking fires remain the number one fire cause in the City of San Marcos. San Marcos Fire Rescue reminds you to be careful while cooking in your home and follow these general safety guidelines:

- **Do not leave cooking materials unattended.**
- **Always have responsible supervision for children when cooking.**
- **Never wear loose fitting clothing around any open flames.**
- **Keep your cooking appliance clean and have it serviced regularly by a qualified technician.**
- **Check your smoke detector each month.**

Our goal is to have a working smoke detector in every home in the City of San Marcos. Smoke Detectors save lives!



Our Smoke Detector Hot-Line number is 512.393.8484. We have smoke detectors available for immediate installation in your home. Please call us if you need a smoke detector or have questions about how many you need and where they need to go in your home.

