

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

San Marcos Fire Rescue

January 2006

The following are the highlights of services provided by San Marcos Fire Rescue for the month of January 2006. Complete statistical data are available upon request.

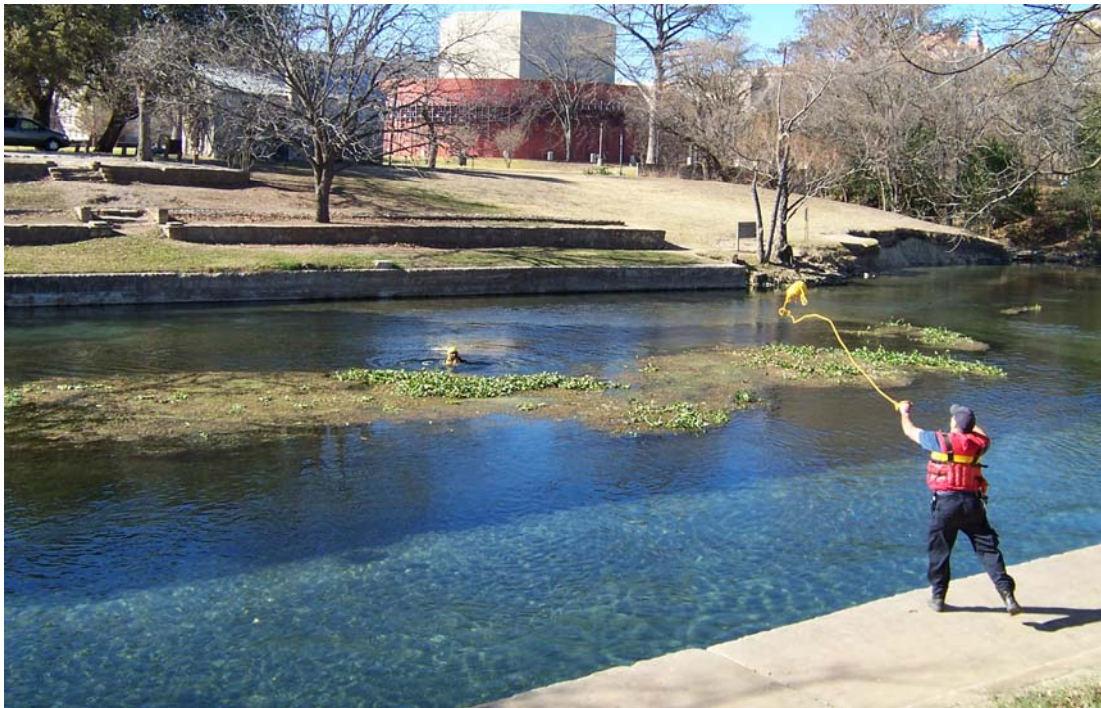
- The Department answered a total of **216** calls in the 31-day period. This was **6.96** calls per day or one call every **3.44** hours. This is an **18.03%** increase over the same period last year (183 calls).
- Rescue and EMS calls were the most often answered calls by volume, comprising **47.22%** of the total calls, followed next by Good Intent Calls representing **18.52%** of the total call volume.
- City wide average response time for all calls for service was **4.71** minutes, including non-emergency responses, “delayed by train or traffic” calls, or misguided directions.
- *The department Iron Man for the month was Lieutenant Jeff Clark with 46 calls answered. Congratulations Jeff!*
- B – Shift answered the most calls for service with 84 for the month, followed by C-Shift with 79 and A-Shift with 53.
- Our Fire Department Web Page continues to grow. New links and information are available as well as a streaming video library all free of charge. Visit us at: www.ci.san-marcos.tx.us/departments/fire/
- Our public relations and education programs continue with **69** citizens served this month. Safety; education and prevention are our key goals.
- Training was highlighted in the Month of January with several regional and local training classes held in San Marcos. The Department hosted its first Annual Fire Training School sponsored by Texas A&M University, Texas Engineering Extension Service. Seventy students and instructors from nineteen different fire departments participated in the two-day training program. Firefighters from as far away as Port Arthur and Houston came to San Marcos to train.
- SMFR also hosted three nights of training on Managing Company Tactical Operations at Emergency Scenes. This National Fire Academy Course drew 55 students from 7 different departments.
- An Effective Media Relations class was held at the San Marcos Activity Center put on by the Texas A&M University System, Emergency Management Institute. Several City Employees and Directors attended the training.
- Five more department Firefighters became Hazardous Materials Technicians through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. A two week certification class was held in Austin through a regional training agreement. The Department now has 33 Haz-Mat Tech’s on staff.
- The new Aerial Platform Fire apparatus responded to its maiden fire call during the month when the Springtown Villa Apartment fire occurred. It was a serious fire that luckily resulted in no injuries and damage was confined mostly to one apartment.

- Work continues on the Department's Strategic Master Plan. The Committee is in the final stages of preparing the plan and hopes to send it out for review in the next 45 to 60 days.



SMFR Strategic Master Plan Committee

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Swift Water Technician Instructor Lt. Jay Horton of the San Marcos Fire Rescue demonstrates throw bag rescue techniques at the First Annual San Marcos Area Fire Training School

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SMFR Assistant Fire Chief Len Nored Instructs Firefighters on Rope Assisted Search Procedures during the First Annual San Marcos Area Fire Training School

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SMFR Lt. Howard Minor instructs Firefighters on Safety concerns at Motor Vehicle Extrication Incidents during the First Annual San Marcos Area Fire Training School

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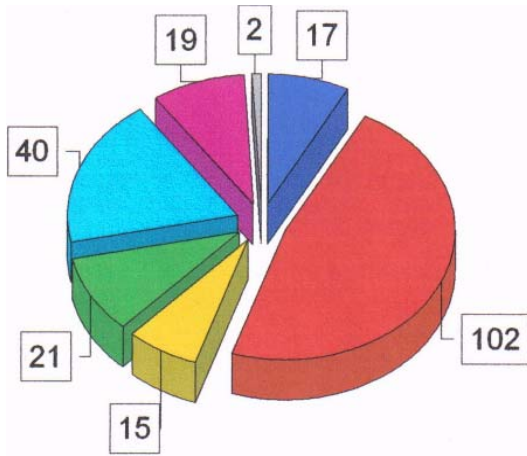


SMFR Captains Bill Schroeder and Rick Rowell with Firefighter Vincent Marin instruct students in Command and Control Radio Operations at the First Annual San Marcos Area Fire Training School



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- 17 Fires
- 102 Rescue & EMS
- 15 Hazardous Conditions
- 21 Service Calls
- 40 Good Intent Calls
- 19 False Alarm & False Calls
- 2 Special Types