

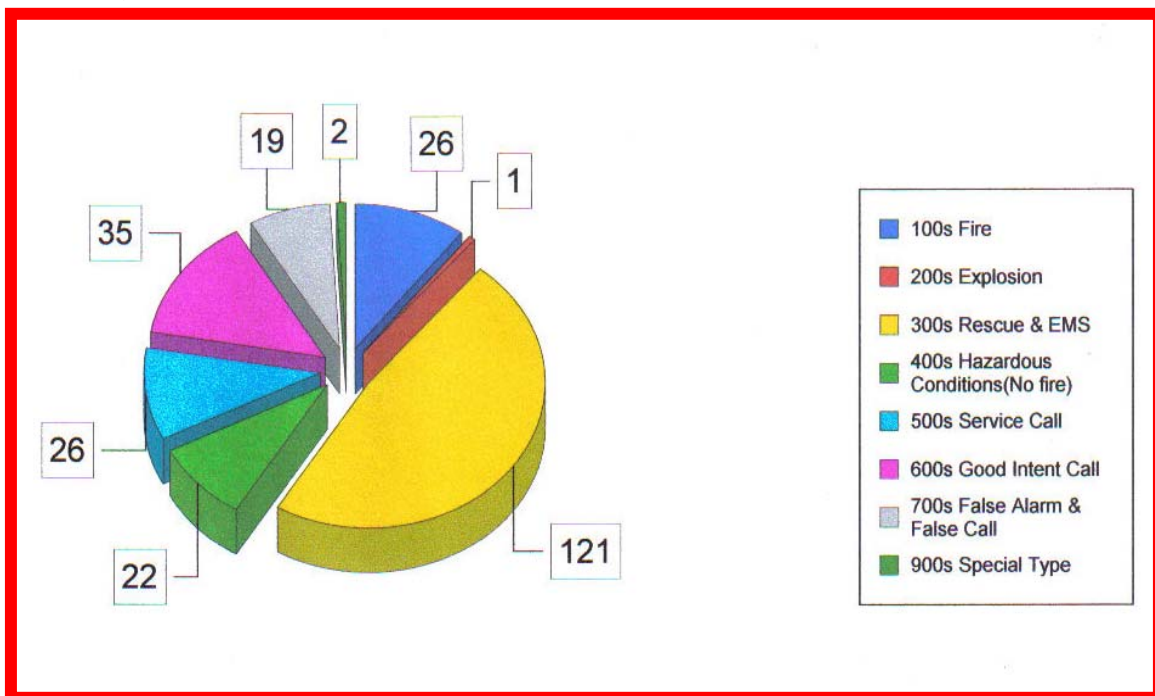
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

San Marcos Fire Rescue

January 2008

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

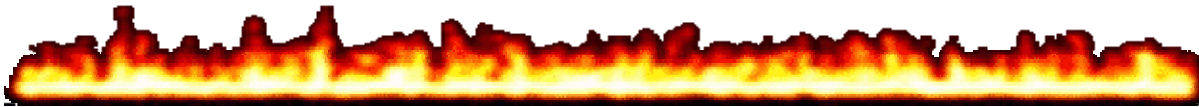
- The Department answered a total of 252 calls in the 31-day period. This was 8.13 calls per day or one call every 2.95 hours.
- Rescue & EMS calls were the most often answered calls by volume, comprising 48.02% of the total calls, followed next by Good Intent Calls at 13.89%.



- City wide average response time for all calls for service was 5.99 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 51.5% of the calls.
- *The department Iron Men for the month was Lieutenant Jim Matano and Firefighter Garrett Jordan with 49 calls. Congratulations Jim and Garrett!*
- C – Shift answered the most calls for service with 98 for the month, followed by A-Shift with 93 and B-Shift with 61.

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- San Marcos Fire Rescue delivered the 4th Resident's Advisor (RA) Fire Academy at Texas State University-San Marcos. New RA's were taught about fire safety, the consequences of fire, and trained on live fires with portable fire extinguishers. The Educational Outreach Program was started in 2006 to educate the RA's on their responsibilities if a fire occurs in campus housing.
- The 3rd Annual San Marcos Fire Rescue Area Fire Training Conference was held the weekend of January 19th. Fifty-nine firefighters from 9 regional departments participated in training on Wildland Firefighting, Fire Service Hydraulics and Vehicle Stabilization during Motor Vehicle Accidents.
- Four new members of the Department began their careers with the City of San Marcos during a *Swearing-In Ceremony* held at the San Marcos Activity Center. Adam Kanz, Bill Young, Russell Brau and Greg Sherrill were given the Oath by Fire Chief Mike Baker.



South Hays Fire Department Chief David Smith and SMFR Assistant Fire Chief Len Nored train regional firefighters on hydraulics at the 3rd Annual San Marcos Fire Rescue Area Training Conference.



Texas State University – San Marcos Residents Advisors (RA's) graduate from the 4th SMFR RA Fire Academy



New SMFR Firefighters are from left to right, Greg Sherrill, Adam Kanz, Bill Young and Russell Brau.

Cooking fires are 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.

