

# MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

SAN MARCOS FIRE RESCUE

January 2005

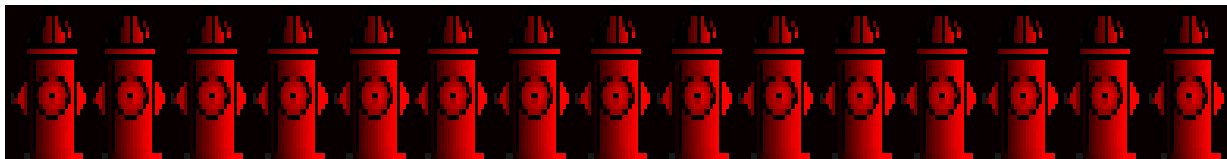
The following are the highlights of services provided by San Marcos Fire Rescue for the month of January 2005. Complete statistical data are available upon request.



- The Department answered a total of **182** calls in the 31-day period. This is **5.87** calls per day or one call every **4.09** hours. This is a **42.18%** increase over the same time last year (128 calls).
- Station 1, Central, was the busiest station with 93 calls, followed by Station 4 on Broadway with 80 calls, Station 3 with 44 and Station 2 with 34.
- Rescue and EMS calls were the most often answered calls by volume comprising **45.60%** followed by Good Intent Calls representing **15.38%** of the total call volume.
- City wide average response time for all calls for service was **5.11** minutes, including Code 1 responses, “delayed by train or traffic” calls, or misguided directions.



- The department hosted a job shadowing student from Texas State University San Marcos and shared our management and administrative duties and functions.
- San Marcos Fire & Rescue personnel attended Hazardous Material Rail Road Tank Car training in Round Rock sponsored by the Union Pacific Rail Road. The training included classroom sessions as well as hands-on training with actual tank cars.
- January was the month for the Annual Texas Fire Educators Association Conference in San Antonio. Officers from the department attended training sessions on new technologies, new training methods, reducing risk and liability, and hazards of the new HYBRID Vehicles, as well as many others during the week long conference.
- A *Table-Top Disaster Preparedness Drill* was conducted for the city, facilitated by the Texas A & M University System, Texas Engineering Service, Emergency Services Training Institute. Fire Officers worked with leaders from many area agencies in a cooperative setting to deal with a simulated County-Wide emergency.
- The Department sadly celebrated the retirement of two of our distinguished officers during the month. Lieutenants Tom Bosworth and Jack Mutschlechner both retired after more than 25 years of service each. Over 50 years of combined experience will be missed.
- We welcomed two new members to the department. Firefighters Tara Brinkkoeter and Andy Mcyk joined the department and began what we hope will be long careers with us.
- New promotions of officers and engineers were also celebrated during the month. Engineer's Karl Kuhlman and Jim Matano were both promoted to Lieutenant and Firefighter's Aaron Crawford and Larry Fassauer were both promoted to Engineer. Congratulations to all on a job well done.



- The department began work on the Strategic Master Plan for Emergency Services for the City of San Marcos. Our Consultant began work on station location studies, evaluation of current services, conducting a needs assessment and planning for the future delivery of emergency services to our citizens. We hope to have the entire process complete within 8 or 9 months.
- Fire Rescue welcomed a Public Administration Intern student from Texas State University San Marcos. Robyn Rye will be assisting the department with its Strategic Master Planning Process and hopefully learn a little about local government operations.



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