



THE JOYFUL DISPATCH



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Congratulations

Congratulations to Firefighter Tyler Phillips and his
wife Courtney on the birth of their second child!!





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FIRE SERVICE
EXECUTIVE
DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Matt,

Thank you so much for being such an important part of the FSEDI education. I appreciate that you share your time & expertise in health & safety issues with your FSEDI family. There are many ways to save lives & you do it every day not only in leading your fire department but in preparing wellness & safety crusaders like yourself. Your influence extends far beyond the city limits of Harrisonburg.

Don't hesitate to contact me if I can ever be assistance to you.

As Always,
Mary Beth

Chief Tobia received a Thank You note from the Fire Service Executive Development Institute.



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April 21, 2021

Harrisonburg Fire Department:

The enclosed check is a memorial
donation in memory of Charles Eugene Baker
from Russ Ritenour and Betty Wagner.

Charlie's family is:

Family of Charles Baker

[Redacted address lines]

Betty Ritenour Wagner

[Redacted signature line]



Ms. Betty Wagner and Mr. Russ Ritenour made a monetary donation to the Department in
memory of Mr. Charles Eugene Baker.



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International Firefighter Day

May 4, 2021



Thank you to the Harrisonburg Police Department for presenting each Station and the Administrative Staff with donuts.

We are grateful for the working relationship between our departments.

Thank you to James Madison University for lighting up red.





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We received the following message on Facebook Messenger on Tuesday, May 4th about Station 1 B-Shift. Station 1 is located on Maryland Avenue.

“Wanna give a huge shout out of thanks to the men at Station 1 tonight. They helped properly install my granddaughter’s car seat in my daughter’s new car. It means a lot to be able to leave in the morning for vacation knowing she will be safe and sound.”

GREAT JOB GUYS!!!!





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We received the following message on Facebook Messenger on Tuesday, May 11th about Engine 26 C-Shift: Lt. Andrew Bauserman, Master Firefighter Donnie Babb, and Firefighter Brandon Dyer. Engine 26 is housed at Station 3, which is located on Lucy Drive.

"I didn't get a picture but wanted to say great job to Engine 26. Earlier this evening around 6:30 or so we saw them stopped at light and turn their lights on so that one of the firefighters could run across the road to get a ball for a small boy whose ball had gotten away from him!"

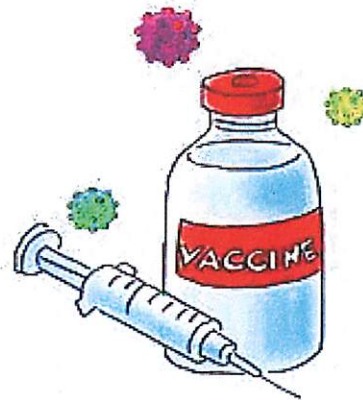




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A big shout out to Master Firefighter Greg Coffman for going above and beyond at the COVID Vaccine Clinics. Thank you for taking your time to go the extra mile by showing patience and kindness to those who needed it during their vaccinations.





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May 14, 2021

Accordius Health at Harrisonburg
94 South Avenue
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Accordius Staff,

The Harrisonburg Fire Department would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the boxed breakfasts that you all proved to each of our Fire Stations on May 13th. It is community members like you, that continue to give us motivation to prosper and to continue to help and serve our beloved community.

Thank you once again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Matthew Tobia
Fire Chief





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May 14, 2021

Captain Harold Gitau
c/o The Salvation Army of Harrisonburg & Rockingham County
185 Ashby Avenue
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Captain Gitau,

The Harrisonburg Fire Department would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the sweet treats that you all proved to each of our Fire Stations. It is community members like you, that continue to give us motivation to prosper and to continue to help and serve our beloved community.

Thank you once again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Matthew Tobia
Fire Chief

