



CUNNINGHAM FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Cunningham Fire Rescue to Recognize Efforts of Seven Citizens

Arapahoe County, CO – Cunningham Fire Rescue will be recognizing the efforts put forth by seven citizens on three separate emergency incidents by presenting them with certificates of recognition for their efforts. The actions taken by these citizens not only assisted the emergency responders but helped to bring a positive outcome to each of the incidents.

The first presentation will be to recognize the efforts of Ms. Katie Fogan, Ms. Layne Bradbury, and Ms. Jessica Evans. These three individuals were at the Piney Creek Pool in Centennial on June 17, 2010 when a young girl was found in the water unresponsive and not breathing. The three worked quickly to effect removal of the girl from the water and initiate CPR. Through their efforts the girl was resuscitated prior to the arrival of the emergency responders. The girl was subsequently transported to the hospital and has since made a full recovery.

The second presentation will be to recognize the efforts of Mr. Marcus Giavanni. On June 20, 2010 Mr. Giavanni was nearby when a child at the Alton Park Pool, located in Arapahoe County, became distressed in the water and needed assistance. Mr. Giavanni saw that the boy was in distress and proceeded to get him safely to the side of the pool and make sure that emergency responders were summoned. The actions that Mr. Giavanni took prevented the boy from falling into further distress which may have led to injury including the possibility of drowning.

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The third presentation will be to recognize the efforts of two citizens who assisted emergency responders at the scene of a motor vehicle collision on June 22, 2010. On that evening a collision involving two vehicles occurred at the intersection of S. Picadilly Street and S. Riviera Way in Centennial. There were multiple patients occupying the two vehicles. Mr. Roger Berube and Ms. Patricia Ketchum arrived at the scene soon after the collision occurred. Both individuals having medical training provided assistance to the first arriving emergency responders with the initial assessment and stabilization of the occupants in both vehicles. As additional emergency resources arrived Mr. Berube and Ms. Ketchum continued to provide assistance under direction of the emergency crews until all patients were removed from the vehicles and transported to area hospitals. The extrication of the occupants became very complex and challenging due to there being multiple patients and the extent of damage sustained by one of the vehicles. The assistance that was provided by these two citizens helped to expedite evaluation of injuries, initial stabilization, and the eventual transport of the patients to the hospital for definitive care.

The presentation of certificates and formal recognition of the efforts of these seven citizens will occur prior to the regular meeting of the Cunningham Fire Protection District Board of Directors on Thursday August 26, 2010. The presentation will occur at the Fire District administrative offices located at 2015 S. Dayton Street in Arapahoe County and will begin promptly at 7:00pm. Due to space limitations and an anticipated full meeting agenda the opportunity to meet the award recipients and take photos will be provided immediately after the presentation in the lobby.

For further information or questions please contact Fire Marshal/PIO Kevin Ferry at (303) 338-4222.

Cunningham Fire Rescue is a Fire Protection District serving over 22,000 households and approximately 57,000 citizens by providing fire and Emergency Medical Services to urban portions of central Unincorporated Arapahoe County which includes portions of the City of Centennial. Cunningham Fire provides these services from three fire stations, with 76 uniformed firefighters and an administrative staff of six. For more information on the District please visit our web-site at www.cfpd.org.

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