

The Firecracker 2021

Chief Report

I want to start by saying thank you, to our community members for all of your support throughout the past year. Our members have continued to stand strong and serve the Edgewater and surrounding areas throughout the pandemic shut-downs but fundraising has been difficult due to restrictions of gatherings and we hope to be able to see you in person soon. Fire/Rescue Boat 2 has been placed in service and is now responding to calls on our waterways. Training is ongoing with our members and career staff so you will be seeing more of us this boating season. In addition to the funds needed to build our new firehouse, we are preparing to replace some of our apparatus in the next 3 years to uphold NFPA standards so we are in need of funding for both projects. We take great pride in serving our community but we need your help to continue to do so. Thank you to all who have supported our food truck fundraisers by putting money in the boot, this has helped us greatly in sustaining our volunteer funded bills. Thank you and be safe.

Regards, Chief John Sweeney



President Report

This is an exciting year starting with a new fire boat, and as the state lifts COVID restrictions we have a few community events in the planning stages. May 16, 2021 marks the 75th anniversary of the Woodland Beach Volunteer Fire Department so you will see some new commemorative decals on our apparatus to mark the occasion. Thank you for your continued donations and support.



President, Mike Purcell (Purcy)

Auxiliary

We have discussed restarting the Auxiliary for a long while now, the time has finally come! We are now accepting applications! If you would like to be a part of the 501(c)3 organization that assists the fire department with fundraising, administrative duties such as grant writing and other forms of support for our fire department, please email auxiliary@woodlandbeachvfd.com for an application and more information.

Please fill out form and return in the enclosed envelope. Please see back for payment options.

Name: _____

Email: _____

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Payment Type:

Venmo

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Check # _____

Fire Boat 2

Fire Boat 2 is in service and has run several calls since the fall of 2020. This piece of apparatus is an obvious necessity in our waterfront town and surrounding areas. We look forward to seeing you on the waterways as we continue training and refreshing our skills, to ensure that all personnel on our boat team, both career and volunteer, are top notch in water rescue and fire boat safety.



Cadets

Like so many other projects and committees, our Cadet Program was drastically impacted by the COVID shut-downs. We are looking to re-build our cadet membership and would love to provide guidance into the fire service for our young teens in the community. If you have a teen aged 13-15, that are curious about life in emergency services, please email secretary@woodlandbeachvfd.com for more information.

Overcoming the obstacles of COVID in 2020 proved to be challenging but we improvised, adapted, and overcame! Moving forward in 2021, we look forward to some significant progress in the projects that have been impacted by COVID. Some of these projects include, development of our property at the corner of Rt 2 and 214, our new Auxiliary, and revamping our cadet program. We cannot make these advancements without your help. Every little bit counts and we appreciate any help you can give. If you would like to make a donation, you can choose from these 3 options: Venmo, Paypal, or a personal check. Personal checks can be made out to Woodland Beach VFD, P.O. Box 236, Edgewater, MD 21037. If you choose to use Venmo, just scan the QR code and your donation can be made in under a minute.



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