



Burn Trailer Training 11-5-22

Congratulations to our Volunteer Firefighters: **Allan Smith, Chad Korb and Steve Cunningham!** As part of our mutual aid agreement with other Galveston County Fire Departments, San Leon VFD invited TIVFD Volunteer Firefighters to join them in Burn Trailer training hosted by Texas City Fire Department.

The slide show/video does not fully capture this intense training. Allan Smith explained that these Volunteer Firefighters were fully geared out with air packs (portable air tanks with regulators which allow firefighters to breathe while in toxic smoke conditions). They had to crawl in a line through the burning trailer that was hot, smoke filled and dark. The only light in the burn trailer is from the flames in front of them or the flames tracking across the ceiling above. The air bottles alarms sound off. When water is applied to the flames their masks momentarily fogged up, but quickly clears from the heat (800 degrees!) The forward firefighters apply strategic water streams to prevent a flame flashover. The Volunteer FFs trained in intense 10-15 minute training cycles.

Great job by all! Thank you to our TIVFD and San Leon Volunteer Firefighters for taking this training and to Texas City Fire Department for hosting and conducting the training!!!