

# I<sup>st</sup> Quarter

## Board Meetings:

April 13<sup>th</sup> & April 27<sup>th</sup>

May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 25<sup>th</sup>

June 8<sup>th</sup> & June 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Pay Dates:

April 3<sup>rd</sup> & April 17<sup>th</sup>

May 15<sup>th</sup> & May 29<sup>th</sup>

June 12<sup>th</sup> & June 26<sup>th</sup>



## Newsletter 2026 I<sup>st</sup> Quarter

### Training Division



April 7<sup>th</sup> On Site – 6 pm – Crawford Electric Training

April 11<sup>th</sup> ST5 – 6 pm – Live Burns Training

April 21<sup>st</sup> ST5 – 6 pm – Live Burns Training

May 5<sup>th</sup> ST5 – 6 pm – Boat Ops Training

May 19<sup>th</sup> ST5 – 6 pm – Boat Ops Training

June 2<sup>nd</sup> ST5 – 6 pm – Ropes Training

June 16<sup>th</sup> ST5 – 6 pm - Training TBA

# I<sup>st</sup> Quarter

## Business Meeting

Meetings held at ST1

**Apr. 28<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m.**

**May 26<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m.**

**June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:00 p.m.**

If you would like to submit information to be published in this monthly newsletter, the deadline is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month prior. This allows time to format and send by the first of the next month. Please email information to Rachel Tyree at [officeadmin@sullivanfpd.com](mailto:officeadmin@sullivanfpd.com)

**Congratulations!**

**Lt. Cody Martin**

**Promoted to Lieutenant!**  
**Great work, Cody Martin!**

**JAN 2026**



**Congratulations!**

**Capt. Damon Sumpter**

**New Certified EMT!**  
**Leading by Example!**

**JAN 2026**



Sullivan Fire Protection District

December 12 at 6:16 AM · 🌐

We hope everyone enjoyed Santa's visit to your neighborhoods! It was such a joy for us to see all the kids' big smiles and excitement. We hope you and your families have a wonderful holiday season.

Please share your photos in the comments below!  
We'd love to see all the happy children and families celebrating together.



## Six New Full-Time Firefighters



New Members Sworn in December 22, 2025: Jordan Rice, J.D. Johnson, Kaden Bayless, Tyler Goodman and Beau Kick.



Sullivan Fire Protection District

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### Monday Member Spotlight

Today's Monday Spotlight is David Sumpter!

David is also celebrating his 21-year anniversary with us today.

David started his career as a junior firefighter and was later hired on full time. He is a great asset to our team, and we look forward to serving many more years alongside him.

David is certified as Firefighter I & II and has recently completed EMT class.

Dave has been married to his wife, Andrea, for 23 years, and together they have three children. In his free time, Dave enjoys outdoor activities and camping.

We are grateful to have you on our team and thank you for your 21 years of dedication to the community and the district!





**Sullivan Fire Protection District**

December 22 at 4:16 PM · 🌐

**Monday Member Spotlight**

Today's Member Spotlight is Firefighter Kaden Bayless.

Kaden joined us in 2022 with no prior fire service experience. Starting out as a volunteer, he quickly not only met the district's expectations—but exceeded them. His dedication, work ethic, and commitment to service have made him a great addition to our team, and we look forward to him serving the community and district for many years to come.

Certifications include:

- Firefighter I & II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness & Operations
- Driver/Operator
- EMT

When he's not on duty, Kaden enjoys spending time outdoors, working on cars, and target shooting.

Please join us in welcoming Firefighter Bayless to the team—we're glad to have you aboard!



**Sullivan Fire Protection District**

December 15 at 6:57 AM · 🌐

**Monday Member Spotlight**

Today's Member Spotlight recognizes Jordan Rice.

Jordan was recently hired full-time and will begin his assignment on C Crew on January 1, 2026. He began his fire service career at just 13 years old as a junior firefighter.

A third-generation firefighter, Jordan proudly follows in the footsteps of both his father and grandfather, who also served with the Sullivan Fire District.


Jordan is also a member of Task Force 5 and deployed to thSt Louis Tornado

Certifications include:

- Firefighter I & II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness & Operations
- Swift Water Technician
- PADI Master Scuba Diver

Outside of work, Jordan enjoys scuba diving, boating, and skeet shooting.

We are grateful to have Jordan on our team and look forward to many years of service ahead.

 Sullivan Fire Protection District  
December 8 at 6:53 AM · 🌐

### Monday's Member Spotlight

Today's member spotlight is JD Johnson!

JD was recently hired full-time with us and will officially begin his new position on January 1, 2026. He has been involved in the fire service since 2008, starting his journey as a junior firefighter and working his way up to the rank of Lieutenant.

A second-generation firefighter, JD proudly follows in the footsteps of his father, who also served in the fire service.

JD is married to his wife, Emily, and the two are excitedly awaiting the arrival of their first child.


He holds several state certifications, including:

- Firefighter I & II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations
- Rope Rescue Technician
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

In his off time, JD enjoys hunting, boating, and side-by-side riding, and he also serves as a member of Task Force 5.

We are grateful to have JD as part of our team. Welcome aboard, and congratulations on all the exciting things ahead!



 Sullivan Fire Protection District  
December 4 at 5:03 PM · 🌐

### Anniversary Celebration

We are proud to celebrate Firefighter Drew Richards, who has now been serving with our district full-time for 6 years!

Drew's dedication extends even further, with many years of service as a volunteer firefighter before joining us full time. His commitment, professionalism, and passion for helping others make a tremendous impact on our community.

Please join us in congratulating Drew Richards on this milestone — and here's to many more years ahead!



# ST1 Workout Room Construction



**SFPD Personnel**  
Models in Excellence!

**Congratulations!**  
**John Strothkamp**  
Completed EMT Testing Requirements!  
Fantastic, John! **FEB 2026**

**Congratulations!**  
**James Bruckerhoff**  
New Certified EMT!  
Way to go, James! **MAR 2026**

**Congratulations!**  
**Capt. Ray Enloe**  
New Certified EMT!  
Keep raising the bar, Ray! **MAR 2026**

**Congratulations!**  
**Dave Sumpter**  
New Certified EMT!  
We're so proud of you, Dave! **MAR 2026**

# Annual Awards Banquet for 2025



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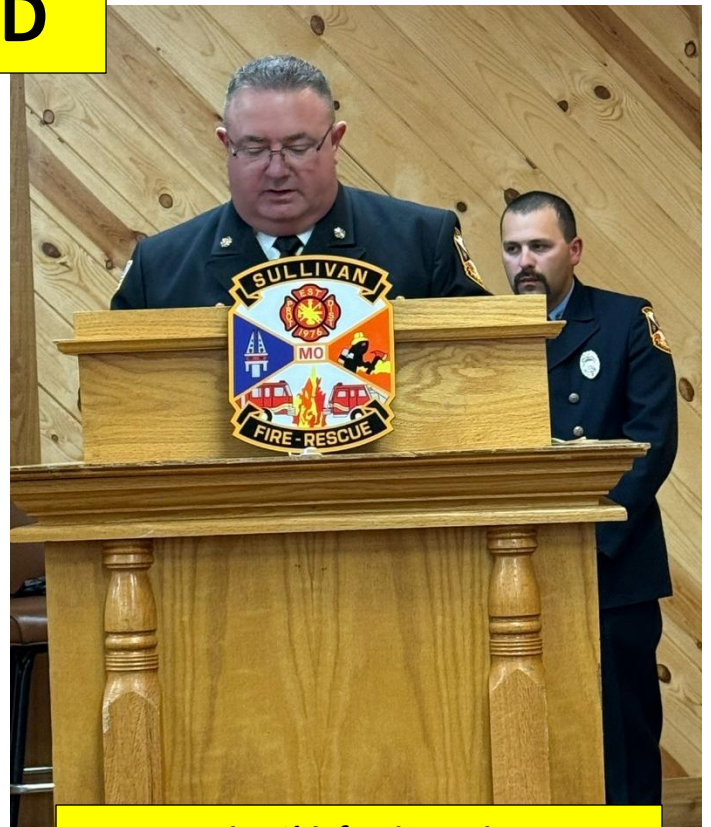
**EMS**



**SFPD**



**Master of Ceremonies: Frank Mercado**



**Fire Chief, Eric Lewis**

# Annual Awards Banquet for 2025

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**Chief's Coin for Exceptional Performance:  
Corey Rice & Rachel Tyree**



**Unit Citation: Incident 270, March 14, 2025  
Mutual Aid Brush Fire  
FF Kaden Bayless, FF Joran Rice, Deputy Chief,  
Corey Rice, FF Gage Hamann (not pictured)**



**Unit Citation: Incident 855, Aug. 25, 2025  
Water Rescue at Meramec Caverns  
FF Kaden Bayless, FF Zach Martel &  
Lt. Jordon Shortt, (not pictured)**



**Unit Citation: Incident 1157, Oct. 25, 2025  
Water Rescue at Arapaho Campgrounds  
FF Joe Kincaid, FF Dave Sumpter (not pictured)**

# Annual Awards Banquet for 2025

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**"Exceptional Driving Skills"**  
**FF Jordan Rice**



**Most Calls**  
**219 Emergency Responses**  
**FF J.D. Johnson**



**Most Training Hours, Career**  
**343 Hours**  
**FF Joe Kincaid**



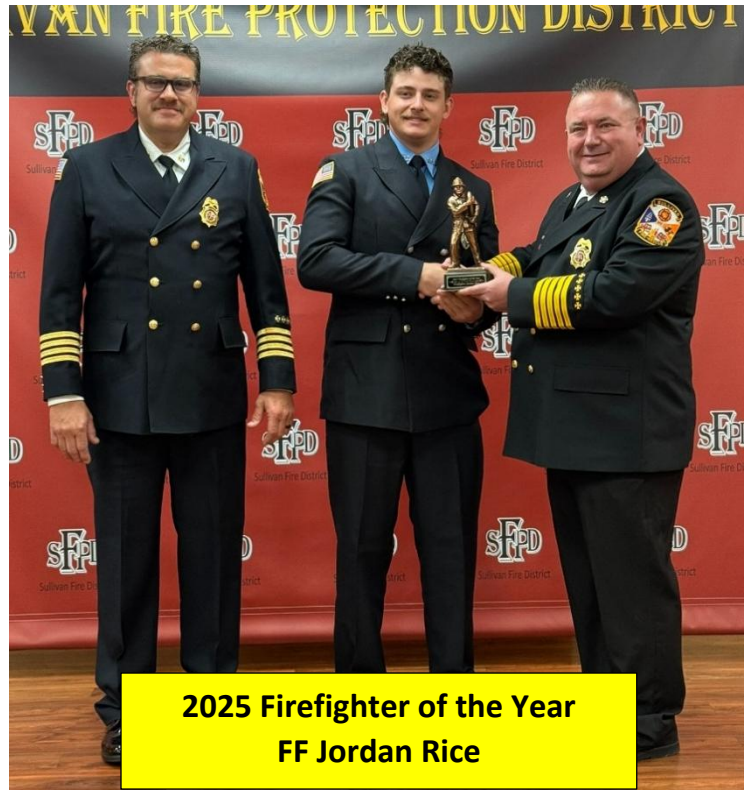
**Most Training Hours, Volunteer**  
**269 Hours**  
**FF J.D. Johnson**

# Annual Awards Banquet for 2025

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**2025 Fire Officer of the Year  
Captain, David Konys**



**2025 Firefighter of the Year  
FF Jordan Rice**



**Door Prize Winner  
FF Trevor Woods**



**Unit Citation: Incident 1157, Oct. 25, 2025  
Water Rescue at Arapaho Campgrounds  
FF Dave Sumpter**

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Water Rescue at Meramec Caverns  
FF Zach Martel**



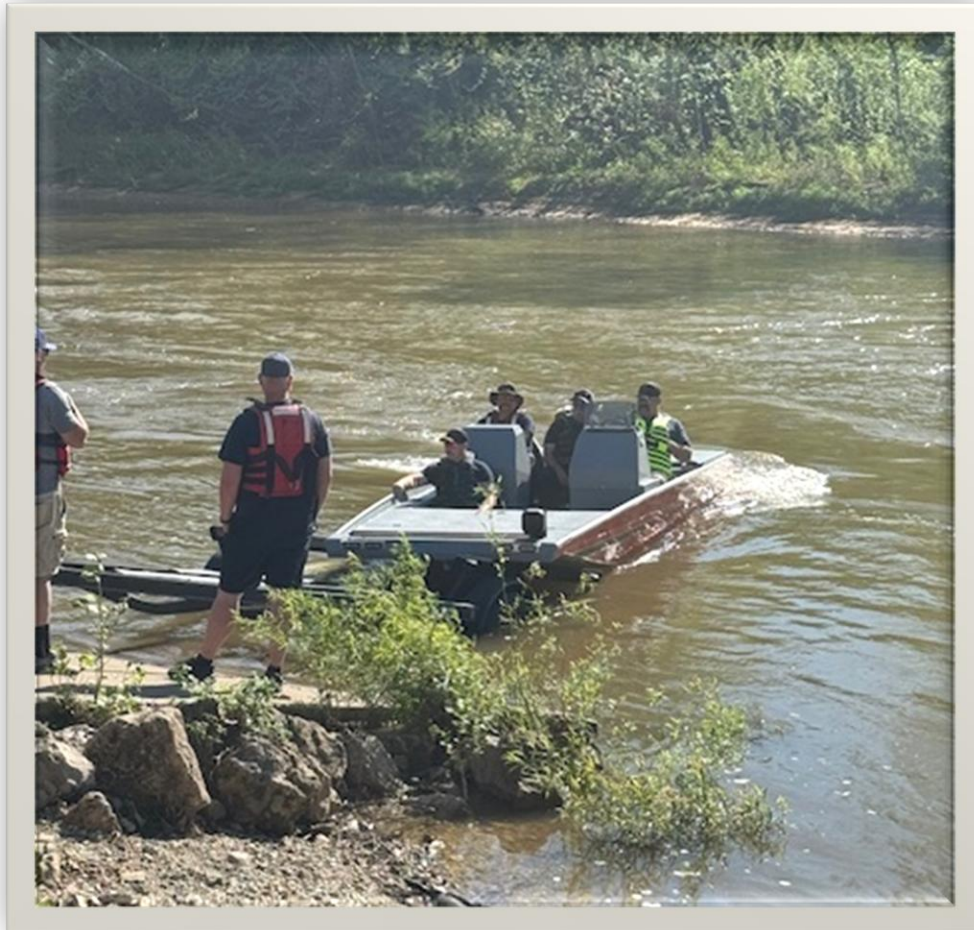
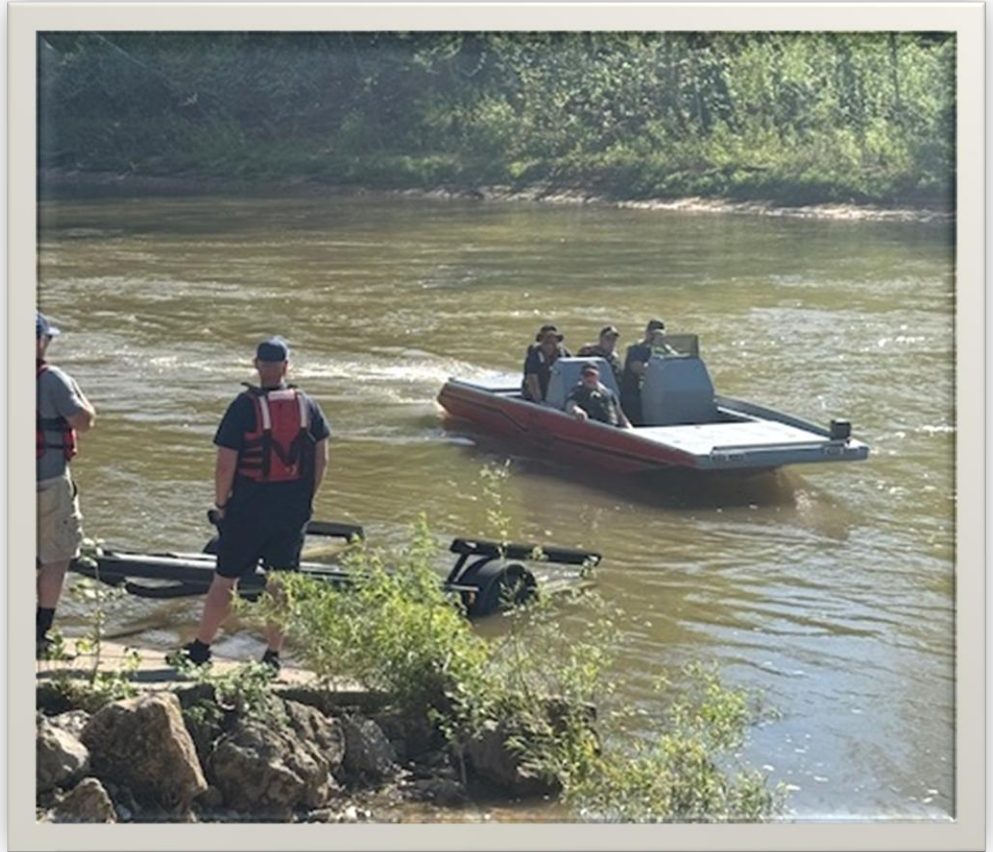
**Chief's Coin for Exceptional Performance:  
FF Dave Sumpter**



**Chief's Coin for Exceptional Performance:  
Vice President, Jordan Tod, President, Frank S. Blanton,  
Treasurer, Chris Garner**

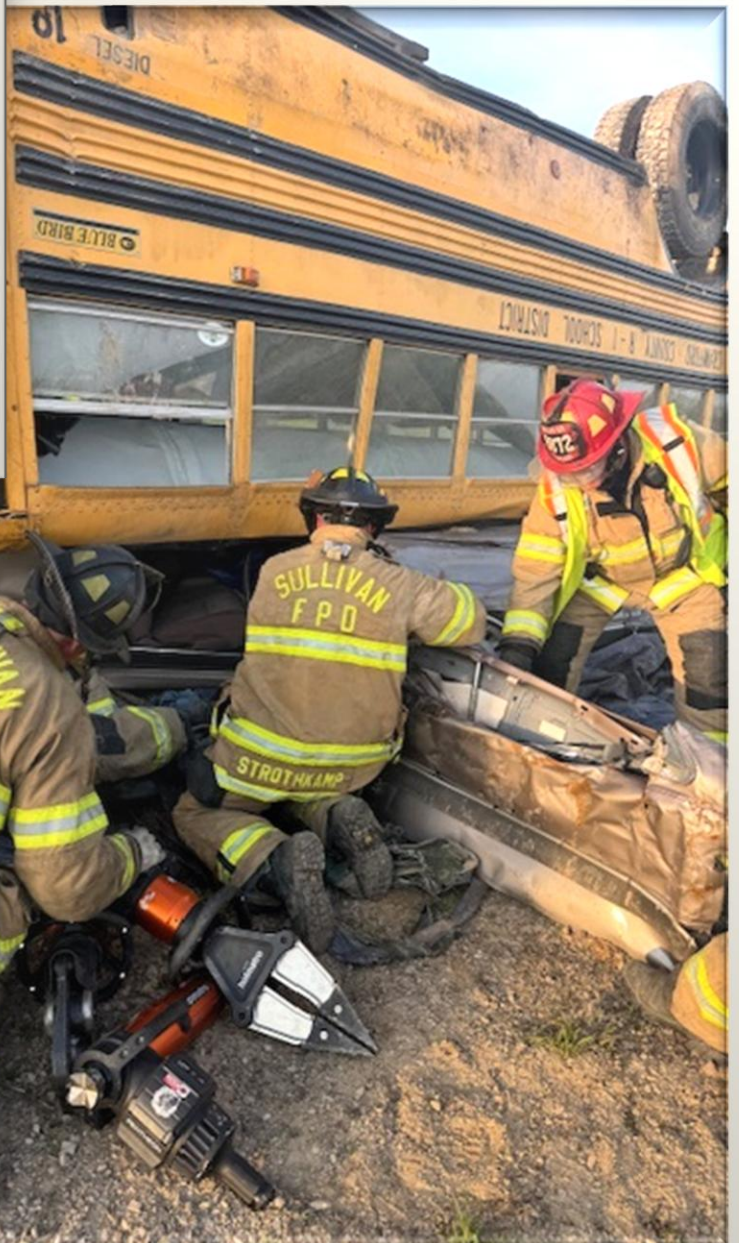
# Boat Ops Training

April 14, 2026



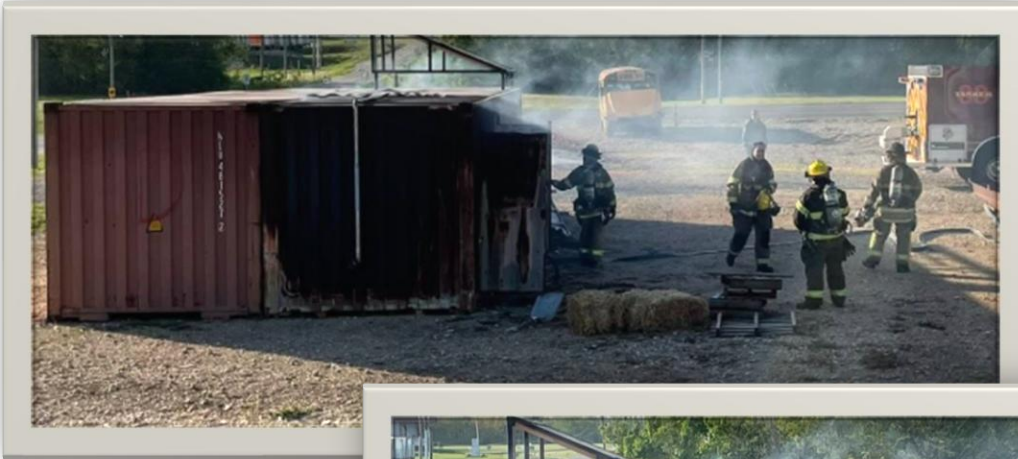
# Extrication Training w/ Bourbon Fire

April 14, 2026



# Live Burn Training

April 21, 2026



## Restoration of 1941 Fire Engine

Members of SFPD assisting FF Marko Turner with the project

