

# MAY

## Calendar

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### Events:

- May 1<sup>st</sup> Wildfire Community Preparedness Day
- May 6<sup>th</sup> National Day of Prayer
- May 6<sup>th</sup> Chamber Luncheon at ST5
- May 9<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day
- May 14-16 IAAI Fire Investigator Conference, Springfield, MO
- May 15<sup>th</sup> Armed Forces Day
- May 15<sup>th</sup> Peace Officer Memorial Day-Flags at half staff
- May 31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day

### Board Meetings:

May 10<sup>th</sup>

May 24<sup>th</sup>

### Pay Dates:

May 4<sup>th</sup>

May 18<sup>th</sup>



## Newsletter

### May 2021

#### Looking Back...

April 2021 proved to be a busy month for the fire department. In the count were not only several structure fires, but some other rather unusual incidents including the Elvis rescue. Couple the considerable increase of fire incidents with the other unique call types, add in an extremely ambitious albeit very successful April training schedule, and the appreciation for what goes into being a prepared firefighter, even in small town America, increases exponentially.

One of the fires, which involved four small structures, and had Fire Marshal Corey Rice arriving as first on scene, is now under investigation by the Missouri State Fire Marshal's Office. This particular fire was suspicious because multiple points of origin were observed in the vacant structures. It also included a vehicle.

Later in the month, another incident involved, of all things, a fire set by children on a playground meant for the enjoyment of children at Sullivan Elementary School.

Think those don't sound strange enough? Wait there's more. Something not seen every day in broad daylight in the local drug store parking lot happened here in Sullivan. The macabre scene that presented on a Friday afternoon served as a prelude to a very busy weekend. Two people were found overdosed in a van along with a third person who had not overdosed. Allegedly, it was the drug Fentanyl, and both were revived through use of NARCAN.

Then there was the Elmont Storage Unit fire in the very early hours of the next day. This proved to be a second alarm commercial structure fire that was spreading rapidly and shut down Alice St, N Service Rd, and Elmont

## Training Tuesdays:

**May 4<sup>th</sup> Boat Operations**

**May 18<sup>th</sup> Boat Operations**

### Training Opportunities

**Who:** Monarch Fire District

**What:** Fire Service Instructor I

**When:** May 10-11 & May 17-18 (8am-6pm)

**POC:** Shanna Long  
314-514-0900

[echele.r@monarchfpd.org](mailto:echele.r@monarchfpd.org)

**Who:** MOBap

**What:** EMS Training-PHTLS

**When:** May 11/12 & 18/19 (9am-4pm) limited seats available

**POC:** Captain Konys  
636-262-4753

**Who:** Marthasville Fire Dist.

**What:** Firefighter Friendly Thermal Imaging

**When:** May 12 (6pm-10pm)

**POC:** Sean Johnson-Asst. Chief  
636-667-8920

[asstchief@marthasvillefire.org](mailto:asstchief@marthasvillefire.org)

**Who:** MU Columbia, MO

**What:** Summer Fire School

**When:** May 19-23

**POC:** 573-882-4735  
[frti@missouri.edu](mailto:frti@missouri.edu)

**Who:** Jefferson City

**What:** Fire Investigator Course

**When:** May 24-28

**POC:** for more information on this see Chief Lewis

Rd. Thirty-five firefighters showed up on scene and several assisting units from other departments.

Early April proved no exception to other strange events. Just ask Crew B who assisted law enforcement with a decontamination of a police vehicle. A white powdery substance thought to be methamphetamines was scattered throughout the back of the vehicle. Crew B removed as much of the powder as they could while being gloved and masked to prevent exposure to the drug. And now we come to...

Elvis...he is in the building...actually he was located in the culvert three days after disappearing. Elvis, being a beloved beagle, sang out for help, and was located about 90 feet in a culvert drainage pipe after some children heard his cries when coming home from school. Crew B along with private citizens worked diligently to extricate Elvis from his confinement as rain quickly filled the drainage pipe. **See page 10 for pictures.**

## Truck Committee:

A memo from Chief Lewis in late April set in motion an effort to modernize our fleet of aging vehicles. Chief commented in the memo, "I think we are to a point where we are entertaining the idea of a lease-purchase option to purchase a tanker-pumper and possibly another pumper. We have met with a few vendors, to get ideas of what options are out there. We are now ready to form a truck committee to help us consolidate our ideas and put specs together."

That committee is being Chaired by Captain Ray Enloe, and will consist of 4-6 other interested personnel. The first meeting was held on Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Station 5. The initial meeting generated several questions that will be addressed with the Board of Directors and Chief Lewis. If you are interested in attending the next Truck Committee meeting, please let Ray know. His email is [renloe042@gmail.com](mailto:renloe042@gmail.com).

## Training Division



Captain Konys would like to thank all personnel who participated in the Bus Extrication Training, as well as a big Thank You to Chuck's for use of their facility. See the pictures on pages 5 and 6.

### **May Awareness issues:**

Please check your email for online training that was sent out on Friday 4/23. This is a multi-part series

that goes in depth into pumping our apparatus. This first part consists of just the basics. The following parts will get more in depth. Review the material and take the quiz. Any feedback is much appreciated. This will be worth 2.0 Hours of Training Credit.

**May training on the first and third Tuesday will be all about Boat Operations. So mark your calendars.**

←To the left you will see listed (also check your email, or see postings at ST1) some exciting training opportunities.

## Birthdays

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### May

Zach Martel 9<sup>th</sup>

Jay Arnold 12<sup>th</sup>

Robert Sumpter 16<sup>th</sup>

Stetson Zelch 22<sup>nd</sup>

Kolton Byrd 28<sup>th</sup>

## Fire 1 & 2: Skills Training ST5

May 8<sup>th</sup> ST5 Random  
Skills State Evaluation

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 the SFPD Office Administrator, Monica Boyer at [secsfpd@fdmail.com](mailto:secsfpd@fdmail.com)

## Fire Marshal Update: Corey Rice SFPD

### Ongoing projects:

364 N Clark	Eatons Funeral Home Addition
900 Elmont	First State Community Bank Remodel
11891 Mine Rd.	Lil Something 4 Everyone
Hwy JJ (Stanton)	Hope Ranch
2115 E Springfield	7 Cedars Supply (Stanton)

### New Projects:

#### Occupancy Permits

679 Fisher Drinking Horn Bar  
975 N. Service Rd Enjet Aero (Knox Box Center of Strip Mall)  
254 S. Service Rd Smoker Friendly

#### Building Permits

Acid Mine Rd & N Service Rd Muddy Water Brewery

#### Pre-Plans Completed

254 S Service Rd

#### Knox Boxes

254 S Service Rd (to right of door)



254 S. Service Road Smoker Friendly. Take a look at the picture. The door on right is the exit. The door that does not open is welded shut and IS NOT an exit. It is part of the mechanical room now. All keys are in the Knox box.

## Area of Achievement:

+District Training – BUS EXTRICATION at Chuck's Towing 4/6 and 4/20 proved to be a productive training exercise, even in inclement weather.

**See page 5 and page 6 for pictures.**

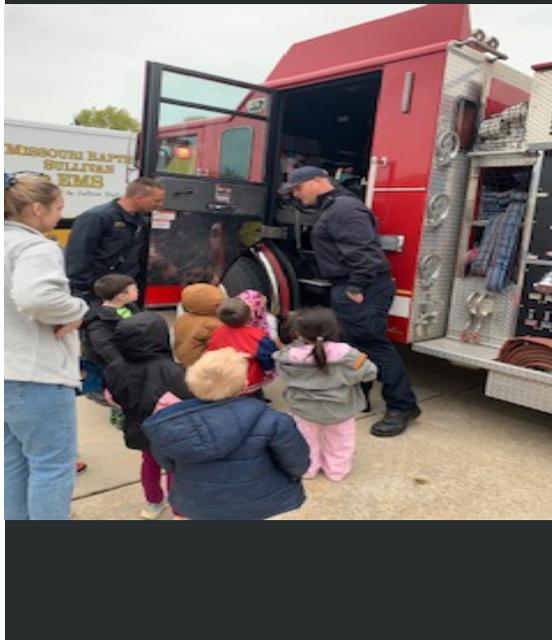
+The Fire 1 & 2 Class completed their Live Fire Skills on 4/17 and had a great turnout for this state evaluation.

**See pages 7 thru 10 for pictures.**

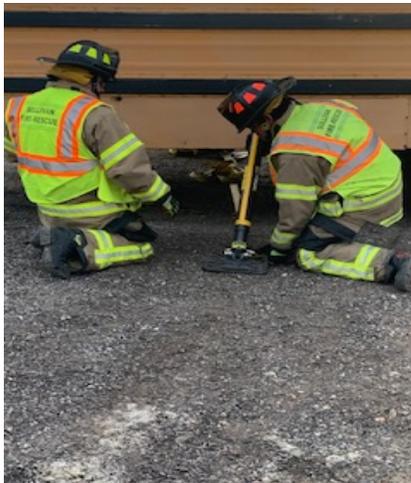
## C is for Career Day and Crew C:

On Tuesday, 4/20, Crew C along with MOBap EMS met with approximately forty 3-5 year olds at Kids Village West in Sullivan for a career day presentation.

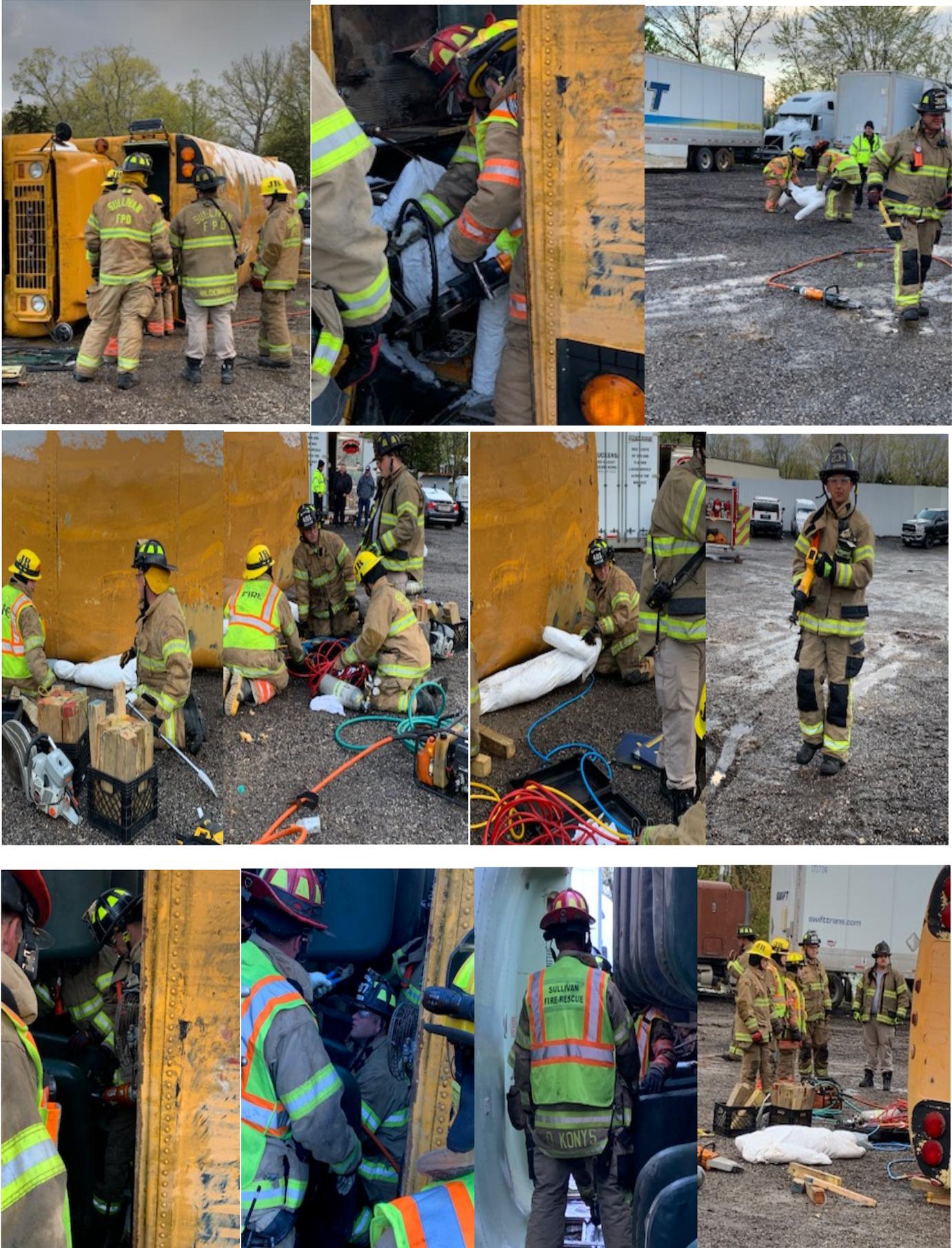
While there, Captain Konys, David Sumpter, and Joe Kincaid provided a hands on experience along with a story time for these little ones. A big thank you goes out to these dedicated men who were willing to share some of their time with this enthusiastic group. Who knows, perhaps there is a future Fire Fighter among them...only time will tell...meanwhile enjoy the pictures...



### BUS EXTRICATION PART 1



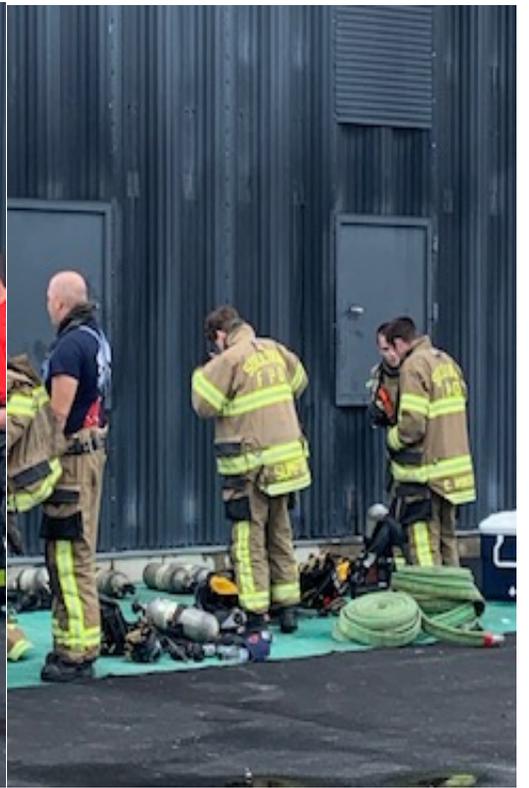
### BUS EXTRICATION PART 2



LIVE FIRE TRAINING









*Live Fire Training Class 2021*



*Structure 1 of 4 Structure Fire 4/16*



*Overdose at Walgreens 4/23*



*Sullivan Elementary Playground Fire*



*Elvis Freed*