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Lebanon Rescue Chief's Report for Week Ending 12/19/2009



York County's First Heart Safe Community

Weekly Stats:

The Lebanon Rescue Department responded to 18 calls for service during the week of Sunday 12/13/2009 to Saturday 12/19/2009. The following is a breakdown of calls: 2 Cardiac Emergency, 2 Traumatic Injuries, 2 Public Assists, 1 Cardiac Arrest, 1 Motor Vehicle Accident, 1 Psychiatric/Suicidal, 1 Stroke, 1 Assist Law Enforcement, 1 Unconscious Patient, 1 Diabetic Emergency, 1 Animal Bite, 1 Fall, 1 Respiratory Emergency and 2 Well Being Checks.

8 Patients were transported to the hospital. 5 to Goodall Hospital and 3 to Frisbie Memorial Hospital.

Mutual aid was needed 2 times this week when Lebanon Rescue was out on one call and another call came in.

There have been 15 days out of 19 that the rescue department has had more than 2 calls.

Upcoming Events/Meetings/Trainings:

Sunday December 20th : We will hold the annual Christmas Party and Awards Ceremony at Shapleigh Corner Restaurant starting at 2pm. Bring your families for a great lunch and a great time!! We have a lot of great presents donated by local businesses to hand out to everyone who attends.

Monday, December 27th - Monthly meeting – Officers meeting at 6:15 and regular meeting at 7pm. We will also have this month's training session that evening.

Communications This Week:

- I am in the process of developing the 2010-2011 fiscal year budget. Please let me know of any items that you can think we may need.

- While at the staging for a police incident on Thursday on Upper Guinea Road, a resident stopped by at the command post and gave us an envelope. He said it was so nice to get a Christmas Card in the mail from the rescue and he was very appreciative of the work you guys do all year long. He gave us a check for \$50.00 and thanked us for the Christmas Card. He said it was nice for us to take the time and send it to him. He has always been a great supporter of us and this was a very nice thing for him to do.
- When you look at all the Christmas Cards and letters we have received, you will see that even the people that just send cards are expressing their thanks for the great job you guys do. Even if they can't afford to send money, just the cards mean a lot.
- On Thursday, we had yet another very busy day. Crews started out at a chest pain call just after midnight, then had a severe respiratory emergency and we needed to call Sanford because we still were treating the chest pain patient. Sanford responded to the 2nd call and we provided a crew to assist them with the transport. We got back from these two calls at 3:30am. Then 9 minutes after getting back from the two other medical calls, we got another medical call for a possible stroke. We transported to Goodall from that call. The ambulance got back to the station about 6am, 6 hours after going out on the first call. Thank you to Stu, Jason, Tim and Ron who helped with these calls. It was a very long morning. All three were serious calls. And its another reason why a second ambulance would have helped. The family that was the 2nd patient was not real happy that we couldn't transport the patient, but we were still with the chest pain patient at the scene. We had the crew, just not the ambulance! Rescue assisted the school district during the day with monitoring the students after the flu shots. We were there for a couple hours. Then on Thursday afternoon we got a call for as police situation with a subject with the State Police. Thank you to everyone who assisted. MSP was very impressed with the response and assisting them closing the road while they dealt with the subject. There was a good outcome and we only were on scene for about an hour. We had a great response, thank you to everyone who helped out or staged. Volunteers donated about 30 manpower hours on Thursday alone - It was very busy.
- The little boy from the near-drowning has been released from Maine Medical Center. We have talked with the mom and dad and they are doing well. He will have no long term effects from the accident. He is going to come to the station soon, we want to give them some time as a family to settle back into a routine.
- This week was the 1 year anniversary for the ice storm. We performed community education this week with letters in the newspapers and our newsletter highlighting winter storm preparation.

Past Weeks Events:

In addition to the emergency calls, the following things happened during the week:

Sunday, December 13th – Rescue crews stood by at the station due to poor road conditions because of a winter storm.

Tuesday, December 15th – Attended the department head meeting with the Selectmen t 6:45pm.

Thursday, December 17th – Assisted the school department while the children got their second dose of the H1N1 vaccine.

Saturday, December 19th – Separated the Toys for the children in town that the Rescue Department helps annually. The kids have lost parents or gone through a traumatic event. We are very thankful to the residents who have donated to this program and to the Southern Maine ATV Club and Trains Quick Stop for a large donation of Toys. We do not advertise looking for donations because we do not want to take away from the toys donated to the fire departments toys for tots program.

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Patient Correspondence

We received three great patient surveys this week – excellent work!! – See attached copies of some of the surveys received – great work!!

We received 19 Christmas Cards from residents and businesses for the volunteers.

We also received a few great letters and thank you cards and emails.

Vehicle Maintenance Issues:

Rescue 1 will be going out of service on Monday, December 21st to have the glow plugs examined. It will be out for an indefinite period of time. Please start mutual aid for all medical calls.

Station Maintenance Issues:

The new generator has been installed!!

Have a safe week!!



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