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Chief's Report

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COVID 19: There has been a massive spike in Covid 19 cases within the last week. SCFD would like to remind its citizens to please wear a mask and practice social distancing. If COVID 19 is suspected or confirmed within your household and you need emergency services, please let dispatch know so we can be adequately prepared.

SCFD received funding through Smithfield Township via the CARES ACT for the purchasing of equipment relating to COVID 19. This funding has allowed us to purchase vital equipment needed for our employees' safety and wellbeing. Thank you to Smithfield Township trustees for once again assisting public safety.

Renovations continue at Station 1 in Adena to create appropriate bunkrooms for our employees. Separate bunks are being created on the second floor to allow better and more socially distant sleeping arrangements.

SCFD would like to congratulate Sean Donato for his promotion from Lieutenant to Captain. Sean is a dedicated and hardworking employee who always has the public's best interest in mind. He is a valuable asset to our organization and this promotion is well deserved.

SCFD would also like to congratulate Lt's Melissa Wilson and Kyle Yant on the birth of their new baby boy Maverick. Lt Yant also recently took a job to serve the City of Steubenville and will be one of the first paramedics to serve in the city's new EMS system. Congratulations!

We would also like to congratulate our new open water divers on obtaining their certifications. SCFD is working diligently to provide swiftwater and dive team services to the township and surrounding areas.

Multiple members are currently taking their Basic fire certification class through Buckeye Career Center. We wish them luck as they test soon for their certifications.

New fire gear is currently being designed and ordered. SCFD is being proactive in replacing their old gear with new sets to stay compliant with NFPA regulations.

As Fall comes to an end, a reminder to be safe this holiday season. Chimneys should be cleaned and inspected before use, Live christmas trees need watered to keep from drying out and becoming a fire hazard, and electrical outlets must not be overloaded with christmas lights to prevent electrical shorting. More information can be found at the link below:

<https://www.scjfd.org/node/4082>

Fire stations continue to remain closed to the public. If there is an emergency, please dial 911. Doorbells are located at the stations if needed.

Thank you for your time and dedication to your local fire district. We appreciate your support and hope your holidays are merry and safe!