

SUN CITY CENTER

EMERGENCY SQUAD





The Siren



News and announcements from the Emergency Squad

January 2019

FROM THE DESK OF THE CHIEF

I hope that everyone had a great holiday. For those of you that didn't get an opportunity to attend the Awards Dinner, it was a great evening. We had approximately 360 people in attendance. It was so nice to see everyone and meet some of the families. The committee did a great job on putting this together. With this new type of buffet, there are some changes that can be made to make it flow better.

This celebration has always been an event to recognize all the volunteers for what you do all year long. It has also been an event to recognize those that have reached certain milestones. We found out we missed a couple of people and that is unfortunate. We found their actual date was not correct in the computer. We have corrected the errors that were reported to us. But more importantly, if you find that you have been missed, please tell us. We can't correct what we are not aware of.

As you can see, we have changed some locks and procedures. This has been done to provide a safer environment for you. Of course, not everything goes as planned. Be patient we will get there.

We are also trying to reconcile all the dates that we must monitor for recertification, physicals and Immunizations. Human Resources and IT are working together to assemble all this type of data in a spreadsheet. It seems that with all the changes in technology, life was supposed to be made simpler. For me it doesn't appear simple. Thank goodness we are blessed with folks who understand the ever changing technology and its implementation.

Our new computer update is up and running. We no longer are using the old

version. As with any new program, it takes time to get familiar with it and work out all the quirks. All in all, the rollout is going well.

Here's hoping all of you the best that 2019 has to offer. Thanks for everything all of you do.

Mike Bardell Chief

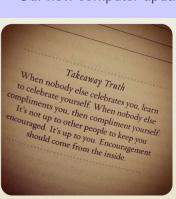


Chief Mike Bardell

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GENEROSITY

DONATION!

Our Squad was the recipient of a generous contribution from the Gladys and Mildred Tomiak Foundation Inc. Pictured below are Marty Gifford, our CFO, Dr. Arthur Bailyn

Susan and Bailyn who are the directors of Foundation; the and Chief Bardell.



EMERGENCY SQUAD GIVES OUT "STOP THE BLEED KITS TO FACILITIES

Our Chief Mike Bardell met recently with the directors of the facilities in Sun City Center to distribute to each of them a "Stop the Bleed" kit. In addition to the kits, the Squad is offering classes to the employees of the various facilities. Stop the Bleed was the initiative of Homeland Security in light of the events such as Sandy Hook and subsequent mass shootings throughout the United States. To date, the Emergency Squad has already trained approximately 500 people through the class as well as of all of the members of the Emergency Squad.

Pictured here in addition to Chief Bardell are Douglas Joyner, Lisa Frank, Corrie Frier, Chris Grella, Kim Haberkorn, and Claudine Jackson with Brookdale; Michael Merritt with Aston Gardens; George Hanley with Palm Gardens; Kimberly Lehigh and Meagan Kopstad with Sun Towers Retirement Community. In addition, Deputy Jeff Merry of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office attended to provide additional information to the meeting.



December Run Report

Monthly Report

Ambulance Runs	378
Van Runs	101
B/P	73
Fall	165
Falls were 41.65% of	our calls

Year to Date Run Report

Ambulance Runs	46/6	
Van Runs	1224	
B/P	1184	
Falls	1857	
Falls were 39.71% of our overall		
Calls for 2018		

Sick List

Sue Cooper	Team 1
John Cortese	Team 3
Sally Mabesoone	Team 7
Dottie Kemmer	Team 7

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January Birthdays

DAY NAME

- 2 Julie Schneider
 - Eileen Engel
- 3 Thomas Leyden
- 4 Doug Gatchell
- 4 Ken Kleen

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- 4 Elizabeth McDonald
- 5 Tom Burlage
- 6 Linda East
- 7 Jan Huber
- 7 Donna Ward
- 9 Shawn Brauch
- 9 Donna Lewis
- 10 Gary Krcil
- 10 Arleen Sanders
- 11 Linda Mascetti
- 12 William Sabo
- 13 Barb Bardsley
- 15 Carol Zeller
- 16 Mary Borg
- 16 Kelleen Dewey
- 17 Ana Bauer
- 17 Rosalie Rochford
- 17 Mark White
- 19 Marcia McKee
- 20 Kathy Zdrodowski
- 20 Marcia Doscher
- 20 Mike Bardell
- 23 Grace Ryan
- 24 Jane Foppe
- 24 Lou Ballance
- 25 M.J. Ricketts
- 25 Robin Devling
- 25 Robert Leonard, Sr.
- 26 Michael Noone
- 27 Mike McClintic
- 30 Doris Ferron
- 31 Dick Schneider



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OUR PICK FOR VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH!

As we all know, we have been implementing a new computer program for our "Tuff Books" as used by us for reporting our calls. We must take a moment to thank our group of dedicated instructors who have spent an enormous amount of time fine-tuning this new Documed software. They are to be commended for all of their time devoted to this necessary curriculum. Rightly so, they are our **Volunteers of the Month!**

Pictured below are Marcy McKee, Tina Drury, Pam Zion, B J Capron, Shirley Bardell and Richard Grant. Missing from the photo is Ted Stone.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

WELCOME TO 2019

I was fortunate to see the joy in the eyes of many of you that attended the annual Appreciation dinners in December. You truly are remarkable with your dedication, energy and desire to serve your community!

In Proverbs the word says: "Pleasant words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones." We have all felt cynicism and sarcasm so let us dwell on those comments and feelings.... Let us be above negatives and be Pro-Action in 2019. Let us support each other; let us be encouragers of each other; let us not let others suffer from hurt feelings and hardened attitudes, we will rise above and live a life that produces sweet words and actions and good health to our bones that will stand out as an example for what this Emergency Squad is all about!

We care, you do not believe it? Come and see us work together for the good of our neighbors. You criticize, come and walk in our shoes for awhile and your attitude will change. We are resilient and we bounce back from tiredness, short staffing and long hours to care for others!

Keep your humble spirit and "honeycomb" attitude in 2018. You will lead us to another amazing year serving our Sun City Center Area and I honor you for doing it!!

Rev. Hal



A SUN CITY CENTER MOMENT WITH JOHN CORTESE

While walking along the sidewalk in front of his church, our minister heard the intoning of a prayer that nearly made his collar wilt.

Apparently, his five year old son and his playmates had found a dead robin. Feeling that proper burial should be performed, they had secured a small box and cotton batting, then dug a hole and made ready for the disposal of the deceased.

The minister's son was chosen to say the appropriate prayers and with sonorous dignity intoned his version of what he thought father always said.

"Glory be unto the faaaather, and unto the Sonnnn And into the hole he gooooes."





January Anniversaries

<u>eam</u>	Name An	<u>niversary</u>
4	Nancy Willett	15
7	Douglas Crippen	10
6	Patricia McAdams	
8	Dave Zoerb	3
1	Dan Zawacki	3 3 3
2	Theresa Snipe	3
5	Thomas Leyden	3
	Janet Caruthers	3
6	Carole Wright	1
1	Barbara Wright	1
1	Diane Wowk	1
	Diane Simon	1
2	Cynthia	
	Shue-Claeys	1
3	Mark Schickowski	1
1	Glenn Russell	1
1	Betty Russell	1
7	Rosemary	
	Mattingly	1
	Harry Kelly	1
3	Carol Hilberry	1
1	Ron Claeys	1
5	Richard Bothroyd	1
6	Bud Bergeman	1

Dates to Remember

JAN 9 VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE AT EDUCATION BUILDING 6 PM

STOP THE BLEED CLASSES CONTINUE. CHECK EDUCA-TION BOARD FOR DATES AND TIMES.

JAN 11 MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOAN AMBROSE 1 PM AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

JAN 14 MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR KEN REID AT 3 PM AT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DO NOT FORGET OUR COOK-BOOKS.

WE ARE CONTINUING TO SELL THE SQUAD COOKBOOKS. KEEP THEM IN MIND AS Team 2—Betty Richner A NICE SHOWER GIFT OR A WEDDING PRE-SENT. \$10 EACH OR 6 BOOKS FOR \$50.



Team Captains

Team 1—Robert Leonard

Team 3—Chuck Russ

Team 4—Tim Zion

Team 5—Ken Rodman

Team 6—Dick McCormick

Team 7—Tina Drury

Team 8— Tom Burlage

Thank you all for all you do for our squad!