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**CHIEF'S OFFICE**

Chief Mathiew Duross

- I am well aware the COVID-19 “lock downs” of 2020 and 2021 have change the way of life.
- I've mentioned it here several times but want to reiterate, we are a family and all members of the organization should feel that way and should feel welcome at the fire station.
- The station is always open for any member to come down and be part of the family
  - Feel free to train, talk laugh and enjoy each others company.
- We are a successful department because all of you and we need all of you to be able to continue our success.
- Please reach out to your company officer or myself if you have any question.
- The bay heat is on please remember to close doors when trucks are not entering or exiting.



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**PERSONNEL DIVISION**

DC Benjamin Harris

## Staffing News

Every year I have to approve all of our members who use firstnet. For those of you who do not know what Firstnet is, it is a first responder network provided by AT&T. The service is contracted by the federal government and is supposedly more resilient than other networks, providing priority in case of national emergency. Every first responder is able to get this service for roughly \$45 per month which includes unlimited talk, text, and internet. If you are interested please let me know and I can add you to our network.

With the resignation of Captain Daniels we will be creating a promotional process for a Captain’s position, as well as an anticipated lieutenant’s posting. More to come next week. Please keep an eye out for this on the bulletin board, as well as in next week’s email.

Please keep in mind that most of our chimney fire incidents occur at the start of the heating season when squirrel nests, and leaves accumulate in chimneys, as well as after a warm spell when people have burning their woodstove slowly. A slow burn create creosote.

## Safety Bulletin

In a case that simply baffles me, [check out this crazy training](#), where a department did not have permission to use a building. . .



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OPERATIONS DIVISION

DC Dylan Martin

New mag mics were installed in the fleet, minus Sv88

New gas meter for Tank 84 is on order.

If you have an opinion or input for Extrication tools now is your time to speak up. Email, text, call, in person, I am open to discussion and input.

## VACANT SHIFTS

Nov 16th - Day 12

Nov 25th - Full 24

### **\*\*\* 2023 SHIFT TEMPLATES \*\***

**Please email me your templated shift preferences/requests/bids by DECEMBER 1st. This includes if you want to keep your current template, change your current template, or obtain a template. If multiple shifts work for you please list them in the ranked choice you prefer them. Any questions, please reach out to me.**

[GMFR Shift Templates](#)



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**MAINTENANCE DIVISION**

Capt. James Johnston

## ON GOING PROJECTS/ISSUES:

<b>Ladder 82</b>	Right and Tip 120v Flood Lts OOS	Work in Progress	Capt. Johnston
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<b>Engine 83</b>	On Spot Chains OOS	Work in Progress	Capt. Johnston
	Tank Level Gauge Re-calibration	Work in Progress	Capt. Johnston
	Pressure Relief Valve Leaking	Pending	Eastern Fire
	Pump Drain Broken	Work in Progress	Capt. Johnston/Eastern Fire
	PTO Generator OOS	Postponed to 7/22	Capt. Johnston
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<b>Forestry 87</b>	Spot Light OOS	Work in Progress	Capt. Johnston
<b>Fire Station</b>	Two bay rows are out	Work in progress	FF. Roma/ GM Electric
	One light on front of station out		



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EMS DIVISION

Capt. Cole Tarbell

Chief Duross attended a meeting with Southern Maine Healthcare on Thursday where he was informed of the following changes in the near future. The hospitals are focusing on getting more information on radio call ins for the following:

- Trauma Alert
- Stroke Alert - [Stoke Protocol](#)
- Sepsis Alert
- Stemi Alert

Provided are links as a reminder of the protocols and how to assess and provide more information on call ins to include [SIRS](#), [GCS](#), [FAST-ED](#), and [12-Lead Placement](#). Each Ambulance has a reference sheet for the above listed.

Any questions please let FF Corbeil or Chief Duross know. Thank you

During EMS transports please obtain and **DOCUMENT** at least two sets of vitals signs. This is beneficial to see vital sign trends and provides better care to your patients. We do not get the full picture with just one set and all of our transports are long enough to do so.

Also when documenting it is important to provide as much information as possible. Do not just document procedures such as a 12 lead in the narrative. It is better to have an attached copy of the ECG for continuation of care, QI, training, etc. This is best done by transmitting from the monitor which works best when connected to the station WIFI. If you do not know how to do this reach out to me or any senior providers.



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**TRAINING DIVISION**

Capt. Shawn Pendleton  
Lt. Nicki Tarbell

**\*\* Training Division Website \*\***

**Monthly FIRE:**

**Monthly EMS:**

**SENSIT HXG-2d Combustible Gas Detector** - Please take the time to review the first link video and go over a brief instructional overview of the use of our new combustible gas meter. [Link to Manual](#)



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**CHAPLAIN'S DESK**

Chaplain Ed Bove

**As Thanksgiving approaches, I would encourage you to take a piece of paper, and write down a few things you are grateful for. Identifying blessings in our lives can increase our sense of well being.**

**I call Thanksgiving the holiday of the side dish. It is a day to give thanks, but it is also a day to celebrate food and abundance. What type of food did your family cook as you grew up? Did your family cook french food, Italian food, or german food? What food speaks to your ancestry? What's your favorite meal?**

**As we approach Thanksgiving we have to acknowledge many people in our communities are food insecure. Many families face hunger in our towns, state, and in the world. During the pandemic, the local food pantries experienced a surge of clients that had never had to utilize the food pantry services before..**

**Help end hunger. Contribute to your local food pantry. On Tuesday November 22 at 7pm, I will be holding an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at Goodwins Mills UMC. You are invited to attend. If you can attend, please bring a non-perishable food donation to benefit the York County Food Pantry. Have a safe week.  
Chaplain Ed.**



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**RELIEF ASSOCIATION**

Président Normand Bilodeau

As a annual tradition the Association will be handing out candy here at the fire station on Halloween. The association is accepting donations to keep this tradition alive. Please see President Bilodeau, Capt. Daniels or myself for information.



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NOTABLE NEWS

## Member Anniversaries:

11/19 - Lt. Tarbell (7 Years)

## Member Birthdays:

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**EMERGENCY INCIDENTS**

## Incident Details

- Medicals = 7
- Mutual Aid (EMS) = 1
- Outside Fires = 1
- Vehicle Crashes = 3

## Incident Stats

Date: **11/07/22 - 11/13/22**

Incidents for week: 12

Incidents to Date (2022): **725**

Incidents to Date (2021): **735**

Total Incidents (2021): **857**

Total Incidents (2020): **840**

# October 2022/2021

## of interest:

- 10/11 - Open House and truck dedication well attended.
- 10/15 - Ambulance to Saco for a building fire. Chief Duross assisted with fire investigation. Ladder responded for station coverage.
- 10/16 - One Engine responded to Saco for a building fire. Crews provided suppression support.
- 10/18 - Ambulance responded to Waterboro for fatal crash.
- 10/20 - One Engine responded to Springvale Station for coverage.
- 10/24 - One Ambulance responded to OOB for a building fire.
- 10/26 - Dispatched to an address in Lyman. That address could not be found. Dispatched to the correct address 18 minutes later in Dayton. 25 minute total response time.
- 10/26 - Tank truck responded M/A to Kennebunk for building fire
- 10/29 - Building fire in Lyman. Contained to the bathroom. No working smoke detectors, Tank 84 only truck from GMFD to Respond
- 10/31 - Serious medical call, Alfred and Biddeford assisted
- 12 trips to MMC/Mercy averages 1.5 hours from leaving scene to back at the station. Nearly 20 hours for the month.

Incidents by Town	Dayton 13/13	Lyman 54/52		
Hospitals Transported to				
SMHC-Bidd 30	SMHC-San. 5	MMC 11	Mercy 1	York 0

Incidents to Date 703/706
Emergency Incidents 84/72
Multi Incidents 12/5
Desk Box 0/1 Cardiac Arrest
Mutual Aid Given 17/6
Mutual Aid Received 10/13
No Manpower 0/0

Trainings 4/7
Certification 0/3 EVO2, 2 EVO3
Work Orders 62/62
Career staff 5/5
Call-force 50
Total Responders 38/ Those who responded to at least one incident



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PRIDE & OWNERSHIP

## RESOURCES

- [Fire Responder Assistance Program](#)
- [Code Green Campaign](#)
- <https://codegreencampaign.org/>
- [Electric/Hybrid Vehicle quick reference](#)
- [EV guide](#)