

## 2008 MEMORANDUM #

March 31, 2008

**TO: All Members of the Fire-Rescue Department**  
**SUBJECT: 2008 Awards Recipients**

It is a pleasure to announce the award recipients for the Annual Awards Banquet to be held April 26, 2008. All nominees for the various annual awards have been investigated and the competitive awards were selected by an independent Judges Panel that was comprised of fire service professionals from around the state. We are also presenting a special award this year. The following recipients are to be congratulated for their achievements:

**Outstanding Service to the Fire Department**

John G. Wegley, Driver Engineer, Engine 15, B Shift

**Firefighter of the Year in Memory of John Clark**

Jeffrey L. Hyles, Second Driver, Engine 15, B Shift

**Fire Officer of the Year**

David L. Smith, Captain, Truck 25, A Shift

**Staff Officer of the Year**

David D. Kinney, Section Chief, Fire Dispatch

**Paramedic of the Year**

Ayman Ghousheh, Driver Engineer, Rescue 20, C Shift

**Community Service Award**

Maria G. Salazar, 911/311/Water Customer Service

**Rookie of the Year**

Mark T. Breidenbach, Fire and Rescue Officer, Truck 19 C Shift

**Support Staff Member of the Year**

Kimberly Cole, 911/311/Water Customer Service

**Telecommunications Specialist of the Year**

Sharon Rojas, Telecommunications Specialist, 911/311/water Customer Service

**Dispatcher of the Year**

Jennifer L. Osborne, Driver Engineer, Fire Dispatch

**Explorer of the Year**

Brenden McCloud, Fire-Rescue Explorer

**Dallas Fire-Rescue Service Award**

Howard Russell, Battalion Chief, Battalion 1, B Shift

**Dallas Fire-Rescue Safe Driving Award**

Raymond LeMasters, Driver Engineer, Battalion 2 A Shift

**Box Four Fire Buffs Association Safety Award**

Battalion 3, A Shift: *Battalion Chief Stuart W. Grant accepting*

Battalion 6, C Shift: *Battalion Chief Kenneth D. Moore accepting*

**Emergency Medical Service Award in Memory of Doris M. Nelson**

Rescue 33, A Shift, *Driver Engineer Stephen Janek accepting*

**Hot House of the Year Award**

Engine 25 B Shift, *Captain Donny Campbell accepting*

**Special Recognition Award**

Tommy Pleasant, Deputy State Fire Marshal

Matthew Devaney, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**Barney McKenzie Humanitarian Award**

James R. McDade, Fire Rescue Officer, Engine 34 C Shift

**Henry Majors Community Service Award**

Ervin C. Jackson, Driver Engineer, Station 49 B Shift

**Dallas Hispanic Firefighters Association Community Service Award**

Clarabeth Hernandez

**Vision Award (Department Essay Contest)**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Lauren A. Brown, Lieutenant, Engine 43 C Shift

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Steven Luper, Lieutenant, Emergency Medical Services

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Charles B. Hampton, Captain, Fire Dispatch

We hope that everyone will join us at the banquet on April 26, 2008 to honor these deserving members. You can obtain tickets from your Battalion Chief or supervisor before April 18, 2008.

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