

VAVRS CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: October 15, 2011
TO: All District 3 Squads/Crews
FROM: Tom Gwaltney, District 3 Vice President
SUBJECT: DISTRICT 3 MEETING – November 5, 2011

The VAVRS District 3 meeting will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2011, hosted by Manchester Volunteer Rescue Squad. (Directions attached).

COMPETITION RULES: So that everyone may have time to compete, the attached form must be returned to Lara Baker [Contest Coordinator] no later than midnight **MONDAY, October 31, 2011**. The form may be e-mailed to Lara at VAVRSD3@gmail.com if you do not fill out this form, you may not compete.

All team members, for all contests, must have certifications in hand on the day of competition in order to compete.

Juniors are welcome to compete at any time. Please contact Lara Baker (VAVRSD3@gmail.com or 804-241-3157) for registration. JUNIORS will ONLY need one EMT for the BLS competition.

Teams in competition must have their BOG or designated alternate present at the business meeting to receive a trophy.

COMPETITION TIMES: Competitions will be scheduled for the afternoon to allow for attendance at the training session. The starting time for all competitions is subject to change depending on the number of teams taking part. If the times are changed, the contact person for your squad will be notified.

NUMBER ATTENDING THE DINNER [7:00 P.M.] with MEETING to follow:

In order for the host squad to know how many people to prepare a meal for, it is VERY IMPORTANT that the enclosed form be returned by mail or e-mailed to Lara no later than **MONDAY, October 31, 2011**.

TRAINING will be held this meeting from 5:30pm – 7:00pm. CEUs will be given for both ALS and BLS.

**I look forward to seeing you at Manchester Volunteer Rescue Squad
on
November 5, 2011.**

Dinner served at 7:00p.m. with BUSINESS MEETING to follow.

**DOOR PRIZE: Please consider bringing a door prize for the meeting.
PLEASE POST AT YOUR SQUAD**

Attachments

VAVRS DISTRICT III CONTEST REGISTRATION

Please complete and return this form by MONDAY, October 31, 2011. Your contact person will be notified of the location and time by the competition chairperson. It is important that we have your registration so the schedule can be made. If any of your members are in more than one competition, please indicate the ones they are competing in. It is important to have your teams in place to compete at the time designated so the competition can be kept on time. We will make every effort to schedule these competitions with enough time between them so they will not interfere. We will try to have some breaks between competitions.

Enter a first, second, and third time that you would prefer to compete. Competition and meeting will be hosted by Manchester Volunteer Rescue Squad on Saturday, November 5, 2011.

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EMT (BLS): SENIOR TEAM _____ JUNIOR TEAM _____
SQUAD _____
CONTACT PERSON _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____
TIME PREFERENCE 1ST _____ 2ND _____ 3RD _____

VEHICLE EXTRICATION: TRUCK _____ AMBULANCE _____
SQUAD _____
CONTACT PERSON _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____
TIME PREFERENCE 1ST _____ 2ND _____ 3RD _____

ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT
SQUAD _____
CONTACT PERSON _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____
TIME PREFERENCE 1ST _____ 2ND _____ 3RD _____

EVOC
SQUAD/PERSON COMPETING _____
CONTACT PERSON _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____
TIME PREFERENCE 1ST _____ 2ND _____ 3RD _____

*NUMBER ATTENDING BUSINESS MEETING AND MEAL _____ *

RETURN TO: Lara Baker
VAVRS District 3 Secretary
14615 Cornwall Lane
Chester, VA 23836

Phone – 804-241-3157
Email – VAVRSD3@gmail.com

VAVRS DISTRICT III MEETING

SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 5, 2011

HOSTED BY

**MANCHESTER VOLUNTEER
RESCUE SQUAD**

CHESTERFIELD, VIRGINIA

TRAINING WILL BE HELD AT 5:30PM

BUSINESS MEETING / MEAL 7:00 PM

PLEASE POST AT YOUR BUILDING

**Directions to Manchester Volunteer Rescue Squad
7810 Winterpock Road, Chesterfield, VA 23832**

**THERE SEVERAL WAYS TO GET TO THE MEETING SITE.
PLEASE VERIFY YOUR DIRECTIONS BEFORE YOU HEAD
OUT.**

From points South or North
Take I-95 To Route 288 toward Chesterfield
Take the Hull St Rd exit (Rt 360) West toward Amelia.
Turn left on Winterpock Road.

From points west (ie Amelia or Powhatan)
Take Route 360 east (toward Richmond)
Turn right on Winterpock Road

**District Three Meeting
Lakeside Volunteer Rescue Squad
August 13, 2011**

District Three Vice President, Tom Gwaltney called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. J. C. Phillips, District Three Chaplain gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Andy Inge, Captain of Lakeside Volunteer Rescue Squad welcomed the district to Lakeside.

All Board of Governor's representatives were reminded to sign in.

Lakeside VRS served the meal.

Roll Call: 12 squads (17 BOG voting representatives), 37 members, and 10 guests. A quorum was present.

VAVRS guests and Life Members:

Steve Grayson, VAVRS President, and wife Betty

Bubby Bish, VAVRS Vice President, VAVRS Life Member, VAVRS Hall of Fame

Mike Smoot, VAVRS Historian

Connie Moore, VAVRS Treasurer

Vernon Wilson, VAVRS Life Member

J. C. Phillips, VAVRS Life Member and State Parliamentarian

Fran Phillips, VAVRS Recruitment and Retention Committee

Micky Grodski, VAJVR State Advisor, District Three EMS Liason

Carol Hawkes, VAVRS Past President, VAVRS Life Member

Elsie Hawkes, VAVRS Honorary Member

Gary Frame, AVAVRS Southeastern District Vice President

Ed Rhodes, VAVRS Honorary Member, and wife Carol

Tom Gwaltney, VAVRS Life Member

Minutes: The minutes of the May 7, 2011 meeting were approved as mailed.

Be sure minutes are posted at your Squad building for your membership to read.

The Junior Squads were dismissed to hold a meeting.

Vice President's Report: Tom Gwaltney

1. Petersburg Fire and Rescue has been accepted into District 3.
2. Convention registration deadline is August 22, 2011. Please note the EVOC changes – there are now two classes of competition – closed (instructors only) and open (non-instructors). This allows one member from each squad to participate in each category for a total of two members in different categories.
3. Volunteer Rescue Squad assistance workgroup now has a plan in place. Their goal by the end of 2012 is to screen at least half of the squads and then take 10-12 squads to see how they can assist them.
4. All instructors take note – there is a new incident report form if something happens during a class you are teaching. There is also a release of liability form for competitions and training.
5. If you are planning something for the 9-11 anniversary, please let the state office know and they will post it for you.
6. Information has been sent to all squads regarding sponsorships of convention trophies. An email went out that describes the trophies that are available. The deadline for full payment is Friday, September 2, 2011.
7. At convention on Friday morning immediately following the BOG meeting there will be a presentation on the Line of Duty Act.

8. The exchange medic from Chile will be at convention for two presentations Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.
9. The Spring BOG meeting will be held in Richmond at the Holiday Inn – Koger Center. More information will follow.
10. The nominee list for VAVRS Officers are as follows: President – Bubby Bish; Vice President – Rickey Hodge; Secretary – Connie Moore; Treasurer – Wayne Myers; Training Officer – Scott Davis; Chaplain – Gary Dalton; Historian – Mike Smoot

District Officers Reports:

1. Alternate District VP (Vernon Wilson): No Report.
2. Secretary (Lara Baker): The district will be using a new email address – VAVRSD3@gmail.com. This will allow for consistency. If you are not receiving district emails, please let Lara know.
3. Treasurer (Wayne Rapp): See attached report.
4. District Training Officer (Peggy Vorous) – Training was held.
5. Nominating Committee (Anne Gwaltney): No Report.
6. Chaplain (J.C. Phillips): 33 Cards sent: Robert King Family (Colonial Heights EMS), Carl Cherry (Forest View VRS), Barbara Cherry (Forest View VRS Aux), Carl Andrews Family (Manchester VRS), T.C. Jones (West End VRS), Bill Williams (Forest View VRS), Brenda Hargrave (Forest View VRS), Kelly Walters (Christiansburg VRS), Mike Smoot (VAVRS Historian), Andy Neagle (West End VRS), Pete Luck (Forest View VRS), Jean Garrett (Bristol VRS Aux), Alice Beachy (Forest View VRS), Page Entsminger (Lexington VRS), Janis Slough (Lexington VRS Aux), Dreama Chandler (Wythe VRS), Jeffrey Kramer (Forest View VRS), Jim Fitch (Forest View VRS), Eddie Tucker Family (Forest View VRS), Lynn Counts (Lebanon VRS Aux), Mary Anna Greene (Manchester VRS), Colin and Ian MacDiarmid (Loudon VRS), Herbert and Jo House (Danville VRS), O.E. “Buster” Greene (Manchester VRS), Robert “Reg” Greene (Manchester VRS), Chris Evans (Forest View VRS), Amy Graham (Forest View VRS), Stephen and Jennifer Souchtchenko (Forest View VRS), Merri Beth Gibson (Forest View VRS), Gail Weatherford (Forest View VRS).
7. Parliamentarian (J.C. Phillips) – No Report.
8. District Three Legislative Officer (Kenny Frenier): No Report.
9. District Three Junior Squad Advisor (Gerri Kirkhum): Cora Fearnow will be the VAJVRSD District 3 Vice President.
10. Micky Grodski (Hospital Chair/EMS Liason/ Jr. Advisor) – Any issue with hospitals, please let Micki know. Glad to see that some juniors came out.
11. District Three Historian (Cindy Swann): No Report
12. District Contest Coordinator (Lara Baker): No Report

VAVRS Officer Reports

1. VAVRS President (Steve Grayson): Be aware that Sept 1 is the deadline for the Memorial Service. Currently the trophy sponsorship will allow you to continue to sponsor that same trophy each year if so desired. If you have not made reservations yet please make them through the housing bureau as this allows an accurate count and allows for a cheaper rate. Last year this amounted to an \$18K discount. The association spent a lot of effort in the RS Assistance workgroup. Every objective has someone who is accountable for it with attached deadline. Look for a survey in the next 90 days. Please make sure that you send it back. The information will be kept in confidence. VAVRS is a leader in the Leadership Process. VAVRS is going to enroll and graduate 78 people by 2012. Please send Gary Dalton an email if you are interested in a class. No firm dates yet.
2. VAVRS Vice President (Bubby Bish): If there are any 9-11 anniversary events please email them to the state office.

3. VAVRS Treasurer (Connie Moore): Running for Secretary as Treasurer term is up.
4. VAVRS Historian (Mike Smoot): Thank you and seeking Historian again

Guests

1. Legislative (Ed Rhodes): New driving code – change reads the exemption granted shall apply only when the operator displays an flashing or alternating emergency lights and either sounds a siren or blast or slows to a speed to yield to another vehicle entering the intersection or to be able to stop. Line of Duty – Legislation was passed that moved funding for LoDD from the state to the local level. A member of any fire company or department or rescue squad that has been recognized by ordinance in that county or locality as an integral part of the safety infrastructure. Problem arises that there are about half the squads/departments that are not recognized officially. The second issue is that volunteer fire departments are required to submit their roster to the clerk of the court on an annual basis. This is not required for rescue squads. There is no definition of a volunteer rescue vs. volunteer fire person is. Funding for the LoDD is expensive – the projected cost per career firefighter/ems/police officer is \$233.89 (that is only career staff). Volunteers are 25% of that. 2013 - 365.70, 2014 - 503.33 2015 - 642.47. Funding will revert to local governments or they may opt out and self-fund – opt out is irrevocable. There is an option to go with an insurance conglomerate. LoDD benefits - \$100K, health insurance for life kids to 21/25(in college) Disabled – the \$100K is not awarded but there is a stipend every month and HI for life. Current budget is \$12M. Be sure to ask to candidates what their stance is on the LoDD funding issue is. Loudon County does not have an ordinance. Henrico County can't find the ordinance. Chesterfield is covered. Connie Young and Patricia Bishop will be at convention to do a seminar on the LoDD on September 23 after the business meeting.
2. Gary Frame (AVAVRS SE Dist Secretary) – This year is the 60th anniversary of the AVAVRS.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Committee Report – Micki Grodski, Buster Greene, Phil Childress (Chair)

District Life Member – Three members will be voted on this evening. – JC Phillips, Butch Beasley, Anne Gwaltney.

All three were elected by secret ballot as VAVRS District 3 Life Members.

Nominating Committee – The committee nominates Tom Gwaltney for the office of VAVRS District Three Vice President. There were no nominations from the floor after three calls. The secretary casts a unanimous ballot electing Tom Gwaltney as the VAVRS District 3 Vice President.

Good and Welfare

J. C. Phillips thanked the District for nominating and electing the candidates for Life Membership.

Contests

None held

Door Prizes

Thank you to those who supplied door prizes.

Gift cards were given to Judy Frame (BBVRS), Stacey Frame (BBVRS), Kenny Frenier (CHEMS) and Bubby
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Bish (SVEC)

50/50 Raffle:

There was \$100.00 in the 50/50 pot, (\$50.00 to winner) – Gary Frame (BBVRS)

Next meeting: Manchester Volunteer Rescue Squad – November 5, 2011

Tom thanked Lakeside for the fine job they did hosting this District Meeting.

BOG Sign in: Total =17 Squads represented = 12

Bensley Bermuda
Colonial Heights
East Hanover
Forest View
Henrico
Holly Grove
Lakeside
Prince George
Quinton
Southside VEC
Surry
West Hanover

Life Members: Vernon Wilson, J.C. Phillips, Tom Gwaltney, Bubby Bish, Carol Hawkes

State Officers: Steve Grayson, Mike Smoot, Connie Moore, Bubby Bish

Adjourn 2109 hours

Submitted by,

Lara Baker
VAVRS District Three Secretary

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ATTENDANCE at DISTRICT III MEETINGS 2011

SQUAD / BOG rep.	Feb. Holly Grove	May Hopewell	August Lakeside	November
Amelia	0	0	0	
Ashcake	0	0	0	
Ashland	0	0	0	
Bensley-Bermuda	2*	2/2*	4/4*	
Charles City VFD	0	0	0	
Colonial Heights	0	1/1*	1/1*	
Dinwiddie Amb. & RS	0	0	0	
DuPont (Assoc.)	0	0	0	
East Hanover	1*	1*	1*	
Ettrick-Matoaca	0	0	0	
Forest View	4*	4*	5/1*	
Gerda Ameri Steel (Assoc.)	0	1*	0	
Gochland	1*	1*	0	
Hanover EMS	0	0	0	
Henrico	5*	5*	5*	
Holly Grove	1/9*	1*	2*	
Hopewell	0	9/4*	0	
Lake Anna	0	0	0	
Lakeside	1*	1*	9*	
Louisa County EMS	0	0	0	
Louisa County RS	0	0	0	
Manchester	4/1*	3*	0	
Mineral	0	0	0	
Namozine	0	0	0	
Powhatan	0	0	0	
Prince George	2*	1*	2*	
Providence Forge	2/1*	0	0	
Providence Forge Vol Fire & Rescue	0	0	0	
Quinton	4*	1/2*	1/1*	
Southside Virginia Emergency Crew (Petersburg)	2/3*	1/3*	3/3*	
Surry	1*	2*	3*	
Waverly	0	0	0	
West End	3/2*	2/1*	0	
West Hanover	1*	1*	1*	
Totals	34/16	37/13	37/10	
Voting Members	22	24	17	
Squads Present	15	17	12	

* BOG rep present
13-Aug-2011

VAVRS District III Treasurer's Report – August 13 , 2011

Beginning Balance 05/01/2011

\$ 18,379.64

DEPOSITS

Interest Money Market April	\$ 0.53
Interest Money Market May	\$ 0.55
Interest Money Market June	\$ 0.53
Interest Money Market July	\$ 0.55
50/50 Raffle May Meeting	\$ 32.50

Total Deposits

\$ 34.66

DISBURSEMENTS

Administrative

Hopewell Emergency Crew - Meal May Meeting \$ 300.00

Total Administrative

\$ 300.00

Gifts / Donations

Total Gifts / Donations

\$ -

Training

Total Training

\$ -

Trailer

Total Trailer

\$ -

Total Disbursements

\$ 300.00

ENDING BALANCES 04/30/2011

\$ 18,114.30

Account Balances	SunTrust Business Checking	SunTrust Business Money Market	Totals
05/01/2011 Beginning Balance	\$ 5,361.73	\$ 13,017.91	\$ 18,379.64
Deposits	\$ 32.50	\$ 2.16	\$ 34.66
Disbursements	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Transfers Between Accounts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
04/30/2011 Ending Balance	\$ 5,094.23	\$ 13,020.07	\$ 18,114.30

Note: Minimum Checking \$2500 and Money Market Balance \$3000 to Avoid Monthly Service Charges