

***Bonita Springs Fire Control
and Rescue District***



Annual Report 2008

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Edward P. FitzGerald, Chairman of the Board;
Commissioners of the Bonita Springs Fire Control and Rescue District;
Citizens of Bonita Springs

It is my distinct privilege to present the Board of Commissioners the Bonita Springs Fire Control and Rescue District's 2008 Annual Report. 2008 continued to present the District with unprecedented challenges and rapidly changing situations stemming from both legislative and economic considerations. 2008 also brought a change to the governing body of the organization with the election of two new board members, the Honorable Mr. Wayne Edsall and the Honorable Mr. Steve Lohan; I look forward to working with them both, and the board collectively in the future. I have included in this letter just a few of the many highlights of the year.

- The purchase and deployment of two, two-person rescue units.
- The District implemented an in-house apparatus maintenance program that has been very successful.
- This year we created and sponsored the Fire Explorer program.
- The District has trained 50 citizens in the Community Emergency Response Team program; this continues to be a very successful and productive endeavor.
- The exploration into the possible merger of three Fire Districts began in 2008 with the completion of a White Paper and the execution of a contract for a formal study.
- Employees were honored for seven different awards and years of service at the Annual Employee Appreciation Dinner.
- The Fire Prevention Division performed a total of 10,715 inspections: 5,698 existing occupancies and 5,017 under new construction.
- Phoenix Awards were presented to six personnel for saving a life.
- The Public Education Division trained 318 students in CPR, fire extinguisher operation and safe baby sitting classes.

As the Chief Executive Officer of the District, under the direction of the Board of Commissioners, it is my expectation that the District will continue to carry out its mission, strive to improve the quality of life and continue to provide outstanding protection to the citizens of Bonita Springs.

Sincerely,
P.H. Kinsey, Jr.
Fire Chief

Personnel, Stations, and Vehicles of the District

Board of Fire Commissioners

Frank Liles Jr.
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Chairman
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Secretary/Treasurer (2000-2008)
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Fire Commissioner

Elected in Nov. 2008:
Wayne Edsall

Steve Lohan

Mission Statement

OUR MISSION...

It is the mission of the Bonita Springs Fire Control and Rescue District to preserve life and property and promote public safety through strong leadership, management, professionalism and integrity.

OUR FOCUS...

The District will focus its efforts on responding rapidly and safely to emergencies, providing appropriate interventions, community outreach and rigorous training to constantly improve our safety, skills and readiness.

OUR CORE VALUES... "Four General Orders"

To Residents: We owe the residents of Bonita Springs the highest quality of service possible, characterized by responsiveness, integrity and professionalism. We will continually strive for quality improvement.

To The District: We owe the Bonita Springs Fire Control and Rescue District our full commitment and dedication. We will always look beyond the traditional scope of our individual positions to promote teamwork and safe organizational effectiveness.

To Each Other: We owe each other a working environment characterized by trust and respect for the individual, fostering open and honest communication at all levels.

To Ourselves: We owe ourselves personal and professional growth. We will seek new knowledge and greater challenges, and strive to be at the leading edge of our profession.

OUR GOALS...

GOAL 1: All personnel and staff do their best, enjoy their job and promote safety for themselves, their coworkers and the organization.

GOAL 2: Develop or improve our organization to effectively administer and manage the resources of the District.

GOAL 3: Develop or improve a system for minimizing the impact of fires, disasters and other emergencies on life and property.

GOAL 4: Provide an effective Emergency Medical Service to lessen the morbidity and mortality of the sick or injured.

GOAL 5: Provide an effective Fire Prevention and Public Education System to improve the quality of the lives and safety of the citizens we protect.

Administration Division

Philip Kinsey	Chief
Kenneth Craft	Assistant Chief
Shane Sibert	Deputy Chief of Special Operations
Joe Daigle	Deputy Chief of EMS
Dan Ryan	Deputy Chief of Fire Suppression
Iris Roman	Administrative Director
Cassandra Vokoun	Human Resource Coordinator
Tony Gambino	Finance Manager
Lisa Manhardt	Finance Coordinator
Mary Huss	Secretary
Hollie Powell	Secretary
Sandra Roberts	Secretary
Brandy Dockery	Receptionist
Michael Burkard	Maintenance

Fire Prevention Division

Administration

Tim Fernandez	Fire Marshal
Vaughn Spangler	Assistant Fire Marshal/Plans Examiner
Cheryl Murray	Inspections Assistant
Linda Swafford	Inspections Assistant

Fire Inspectors

John Dahlgren	*Chris McDaniel
Alan Hogrefe	Scott Morris
Jeff Krupp	Eric Scholz
Cornel Lee	*Jonathan Whitlock
Jacqueline Levesque	

* Transferred to the Suppression Division

Public Education Division

Debbi Redfield	Public Education and Information Officer
Nicole Giuliano	Assistant Public Education Specialist

Training Division

Donn Cleland	Division Chief
Bill Clemens	Training Lieutenant
Paul Phillips	Training Lieutenant

Suppression Division Personnel

Battallion Chiefs'

A-Shift

Todd Taylor

B-Shift

Frank Giuliano

C-Shift

Vaughn Palmateer

Lieutenants

Albert Bradford

Don Brazelton

David Brewer

Jason Brod

Bradley Brown

Barry Brown

Steven Bunn

Paul Canning

Armand Calzadilla

Greg DeWitt

Jason Fair

Manny Hernandez

Greg Harrel

David Lees

Charles Long (Retired)

Richard Lanza

Eric Madden

Jeff Millican

Tony Moschella

Cesar Sanchez

Richard Scott

Mark Stirns

Winthrop Telford

Keith VanGelder

Don Wilkinson

Firefighters

Nicholas Araica

Timothy Bogacz

Ben Bogacz

Terry Bonnell

Roy Brown

Mike Bucher

Juvert Calero

Jared Carey

Andy Chicas

Cary Coburn

Jesse Cottrell

Wayne Day

Paul Devan

Steve Edelsberg

Jeff Farrell

Shane Frost

Dave Glen

Mark Harris

Thomas Harrison

Jonathan Hernandez

Adam Hughes

Daniel Jones

Michael Koshlap

John Kutz

James Lamb

Zachary Lindgren

Scott Lyons

Chris McDaniel*

Michael Mendez

Adam Nolin

Keith Ott

Paul Palanzi (Resigned)

Ramon Perez

Daniel Platas

Fred Plocinski

Fredrick O'Donnell

Alexis Revel

William Richardson

Andrew Riggerbach

Jeffrey Rowley

Andrew Schmidt

Robert Schmidt

Alan Seruchar

Bruce Sheffield

Mark Simon

Anthony Valentino

Marc Weiss

Grant Wells

Randy Werstein

Jonathan Whitlock*

Leo Willette

Ernest Williams

Alex Wright

Giovanni Zamora

Jimmy Zamora

* Transferred to the Suppression Division from Fire Prevention Division

The following were promoted to Lieutenant: FF Albert Bradford , FF Jason Brod, FF David Brewer, FF Armand Calzadilla, FF Manny Hernandez, FF Richard Lanza, FF Eric Madden, FF Jeff Millican, FF Winthrop Telford

Fire Stations

Station One 27490 Old 41 Road
Station Two 28055 Mango Drive
Station Three 25001 South Tamiami Trail

Station Four 27701 Bonita Grande Drive
Station Five 26890 South Bay Drive

Vehicles

Administration Division

Bonita 1 2009 Crown Vic
Bonita 2 2003 Ford Expedition 4x4
Bonita 3 2006 Ford Expedition 4x4
Bonita 4 2004 Ford Expedition 4x4
Bonita 5 2004 Ford Expedition 4x4
Adm 24 2003 Jeep Liberty

Fire Prevention Division

Bonita 06 2006 Ford Explorer
Bonita 07 2004 Jeep Cherokee
Bonita 17 2002 Ford Escape
Bonita 11 2000 Ford Explorer
Bonita 13 2006 Ford Escape

Suppression Division

Battillion Chief 20 2004 Ford Expedition 4x4
Rescue 21 2008 Ford F550 4x4
Rescue 24 2008 Ford F550 4x4
Rescue 25 2003 Ford F550 4x4
Engine 21 2001 Pierce 1250 GPM
Engine 22 2000 Pierce 1250 GPM
Engine 23 2004 Pierce 1250 GPM
Engine 24 2007 Pierce 1250 GPM
Ladder 21 1989 Pierce 1250GPM Tele-Squirt 65'
Brush 23 1992 International Brush/Rescue 4x4
Brush 24 1993 International Brush/Rescue 4x4
Squad 21 2004 Pierce Heavy Rescue/Special Operations
Haz Mat 21 1998 Chevrolet Step Van
Reserve Engine 1995 Pierce 1250 gpm
Reserve 1993 Pierce 1250 gpm Engine (Traded-in)
Bonita 557 1995 Ford Bronco 4x4 (sold)
Marine 21 2000 Apex 19' Rigid Hull Inflatable Rescue Boat
Marine 22 22' Boston Whaler Guardian Rescue/Fire Boat
Ops 24 2007 F-150

Miscellaneous Vehicles

1997 Dodge 350 Utility	Used for Maintenance
1999 SU 21 Ford Expedition 4x4	Reserve for Administration/Suppression (Rescue)
1995 SU 22 Ford Aerostar	Reserve for Fire Prevention/Public Education/Suppression
1995 SU 23 Ford Aerostar	Reserve for Fire Prevention/Public Education/Suppression
2003 SU 24 Jeep Liberty	Reserve for Fire Prevention/Public Education/Suppression
1997 Ford Aerostar	Reserve for Fire Prevention/Public Education/Suppression

Training Division

Bonita 8 2003 Ford Expedition
Bonita 9 2007 Ford F-150
Bonita 10 2007 Ford F-150

Public Information/Education

Bonita 18 2006 Ford Explorer
Bonita 19 2007 Ford Freestar

Bonita 12 2006 Ford Escape
Bonita 16 2006 Ford Escape
Bonita 15 2002 Ford Escape
Bonita 14 2007 Ford Escape

Operations Division



Operations Division

Activities

- **Emergency**

We respond to a wide range of emergency incidents that require our immediate attention. Included are: fires (structural, vehicle and wildland); medical and trauma emergencies; vehicle accidents; special operations (confined space, rope, trench, water rescue and hazardous materials incidents).

In order to provide safe and efficient service upon our arrival to an incident, we have adopted the National Incident Management System. This system provides for the effective management of personnel and resources and is designated by the Department of Homeland Security for the management of natural disasters and terrorism incidents.

- **Non-Emergency**

Non-emergency activities fill the remainder of our firefighters' work day. These activities include: the inspection and maintenance of our apparatus and equipment; training; public education assignments; pre-fire planning of buildings; street mapping; routine house cleaning and maintenance of our fire stations; and physical fitness training.

Advanced Life Support Non-Transport Service

We have completed our eighth year of providing non-transport advanced life support (ALS) emergency medical care to the residents and visitors of the District. There are currently eight ALS units serving Bonita Springs. The District placed two light rescue vehicles in service during 2008 which are utilized as first out medical response units at Station One and Four. BSFD serves the public with a complement of highly trained and skilled paramedics, and emergency medical technicians. Personnel perform various basic and advanced life support procedures such as cardiac monitoring, defibrillation, I.V. therapy and drug administration to the sick or injured patient. Many times these procedures are performed prior to the arrival of the ambulance from either Lee County Emergency Medical Services, Collier County Emergency Medical Services or Fort Myers Beach Fire Control District. Upon the arrival of a transport provider, patient care is transferred to them so that the patient can be transported to the hospital. This system provides the patient with quick, continuous, and uninterrupted medical care between the fire department, the transporting agency, and the receiving hospital.

Dr. Michelle Nathan, the District's medical director, provides quality control review of patient care and monthly training sessions on a variety of emergency medical subjects.

Apparatus

An Aerial Apparatus Committee made its recommendation to the Administrative Staff and Commission and approval was given for a 70-foot Sutphen Platform to replace the current 1985 Pierce Ladder truck. Additionally, a Fire Engine Apparatus Committee assembled a recommendation to purchase a replacement engine for Bonita Engine 21. Purchasing the engine early could potentially save the department a \$100,000 over the next few years. **Approval was given for the Pierce engine. Both will be constructed during 2008 and 2009 with delivery of by mid-year 2009.**

Incident Response

During 2008, our firefighters responded to 5,122 incidents. This is a 2% increase over the 5,012 incidents which occurred during 2007.

Life and Property

District firefighters are responsible for the emergency medical treatment and fire protection services to one of the fastest growing areas in Southwest Florida. The 2008 population of our 72-square-mile fire district is approximately 43,657 year around residents with another 21,800 seasonal residents. The taxable value of all real estate property located within the District as reported by the Lee County Property Appraiser for 2008 was \$10,830,715,554.00. This was a 6% decrease from 2007, of \$11,516,123,364.00.

Maintenance

District personnel are dedicated to the maintenance of apparatus and equipment. A great sense of pride and responsibility is felt by all District employees to keep the equipment in excellent working condition. Some examples of this dedication and pride include:

- Deputy Chief Dan Ryan and Lieutenant Keith VanGelder coordinate the maintenance program for the District apparatus and small engine power equipment.
- Fire Marshal Tim Fernandez and his staff handle the maintenance and repair of all staff vehicles.
- Firefighter Mike Bucher coordinates hose testing and repair.
- Firefighter Marc Weiss coordinates nozzle/valve maintenance and repair.
- Firefighter Fred Plocinski coordinates chainsaw repair and training. In addition he maintains the portable lighting equipment, and fire communication headsets.
- Lieutenant Dave Brewer handles apparatus light replacement and repair.
- Firefighter Keith Ott, Lieutenants Rich Scott and Ed Bradford are in charge of airpack maintenance and repair.
- Firefighter Jeff Rowley, Lieutenants Paul Canning and Ed Bradford handle equipment mounting and design considerations of new apparatus, including the two new rescue trucks.
- Lieutenant Paul Canning will assume annual pump testing.

Personnel

During 2008, the Suppression Division consisted of three battalion chiefs, 24 lieutenants, and 54 firefighters for a total of 81 personnel. In addition to each being state certified firefighters, 33 are also state certified paramedics and 47 are state certified emergency medical technicians.



Physical Fitness

The job of a firefighter is both physically demanding and mentally stressful. Firefighters routinely go from a relaxed condition to a state of maximum output at the sound of an alert tone. This requires that firefighters maintain good physical condition. The District provides a variety of physical fitness equipment at our fire stations for the use of our employees. In addition, the District provides complete annual physical examinations to monitor the health and well-being of our personnel.

Pre-Employment Testing

Openings for firefighters within the District are filled by using a three-step process.

Step One: Personnel from our District, under the auspices of the Lee County Fire Chiefs' Association, participate in a working committee known as the Employment Testing Cooperative of Southwest Florida. The purpose of this committee is to recruit and test candidates who are interested in employment as firefighters. Testing consists of a certified general aptitude written exam and a certified physical ability exam. The physical ability exam is called the Candidate Physical Ability Test, or CPAT, and has been certified by both the International Association of Firefighters and the International Association of Fire Chiefs as being a true representation of the physical abilities required to perform the job functions of a firefighter. Applicants who complete and pass both tests are then placed on an eligibility pool list for consideration to be hired by member departments. Last year more than 300 candidates were tested by the committee.

Step Two: When an opening for the position of firefighter occurs within our District an internal hiring committee made up of our Suppression personnel is formed. Our Human Resource Manager selects a number of candidates from the eligibility pool list that meet our minimum job requirements. The selected candidates are interviewed by the hiring committee. The list of finalists is then given back to the Human Resource Manager to complete background investigations before making recommendations to the Chief's office as to who should be hired.

Step Three: The approved finalists are then given conditional job offers pending the outcome of a medical exam. After the successful completion of this final round, the finalists are given a formal job offer. Upon acceptance of the formal offer, the new employees give their notices to their previous employers and begin an orientation training program to prepare them for their new job as a probationary firefighter with our District.

* Anyone interested in becoming a firefighter should call 239-949-6200 and ask for Human Resources for additional information.

Pre-Fire Plans

Deputy Chief Dan Ryan coordinates the pre-fire planning program with the assistance of Fire Inspector Eric Scholz. The data is being transferred into Fire Zone 8.0 software that works directly with the new Mobile Data Computers installed in the fire engines. In the near future the District will be able to access pre-plans on the same computer that is dispatching the apparatus. This should greatly enhance the capability of the company officer to quickly access needed information with a minimum number of steps while responding to an emergency.

Pre-fire planning is used by company officers to plan initial tactics and become familiar with specific buildings. Contact phone numbers, drawings, and photographs can be included, as well as hazardous materials lists and unique situations on site.

High-rises and target hazards are the primary focus before pre-planning the remainder of the District. This important program is progressing nicely.

Protective Clothing

The design of protective clothing for firefighters is constantly being improved upon to provide the best protection for firefighters. Early turnout gear was designed to protect firefighters from the elements, such as rain and snow, but offered no thermal protection. As thermal protection and flame resistance became a primary concern, the design and manufacturing processes changed dramatically. Inner liners were developed to provide thermal protection and vapor barriers were developed to protect the firefighter from steam burns. Turnout gear evolved from single layer to a three layer clothing ensemble. The cost of a complete set of turnout gear, which consists of a helmet, fire hood, bunker coat, bunker pants, bunker boots, and suspenders is approximately \$1,500.

Safe Place

The District continues its participation in the Safe Place Youth Shelter Program sponsored by Lutheran Services. Any fire station, store, restaurant or other building displaying the yellow and black Safe Place logo sign is an official safe haven. Youths are instructed, through training programs in the schools, to go to a Safe Place location if they are in crisis. Our firefighters are trained to comfort the youth and then contact Safe Place. A Safe Place volunteer, who is trained in crisis intervention techniques, responds to the fire station. The troubled youth is counseled by the volunteer and returned home, or if necessary, transported by the volunteer to the Oasis Youth Shelter in Fort Myers.



Fire Explorer Post #5513

In April 2008, members of B-shift, along with the Public Information Office, conducted the first "Youth Day" in the history of the Bonita Springs Fire District. Four excited young men came to Station One to embark on a day long journey of fun, hard work, and learning. The Boy Scouts of America was also on hand to teach about the Learning for Life (Explorer) Program. This day was filled with activities including truck and equipment checks, cleaning, cooking and eating, crawling through "the maze", fire extinguisher training, climbing ladders, handling a hose line and spraying water, and medical training. At the end of the day it was apparent to all that an Explorer Post was

Swift Water Rescue Technician, Rescue Boat Operator, Confined Space Rescue Operations and Trench Rescue Operations.

During the last quarter of 2008, a few of our Special Operations members attended the 32-hour Large Animal Rescue training course, sponsored by the USAR team.

We completed a two-day program encompassing scenario-based training with our current SCBA (MSA) relating to emergency communications and had the opportunity to try and evaluate new SCBA Air Pack Systems from different vendors.

Special Operations members continue to conduct and complete awareness and operations levels in Confined Space Rescue Operations.

In summary, the Division has been working toward the continued training to bring members to operations level in the respected disciplines within the Special Operations realm.

Special Notes: Throughout 2008 the Special Operations Division:

- Attended numerous meetings and three drills with the Marine Emergency Response Team.
- In May, BSFD hosted the Lee County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit's monthly training including high angle rope rappelling and medical block training.
- Special Operations Coordinators are continually reviewing and updating training regiments for special operations disciplines with the completion of structural collapse awareness and companion animal rescue courses via the Florida State Fire College, along with low-to-high-angle rope rescue operations.

Urban Search and Rescue Team

The District has continued its commitment to the Southwest Florida Urban Search and Rescue team, Florida Task Force-6. Assistant Chief Ken Craft continues to serve as the Chief Executive Officer and Task Force Leader for the program. In addition, the following 12 personnel also served as team members during 2008: FF Tim Bogacz, LT Barry Brown, LT Brad Brown, LT Greg DeWitt, LT Jason Fair, BC Frank Giuliano, LT Dave Lees, BC Vaughn Palmateer, DC Shane Sibert, LT Mark Stirns, LT Winthrop Telford, and Assistant Public Education Specialist Nicole Giuliano.

2008 highlights for the team include:

The team received its first ever State/National Operational Readiness Evaluation.

The three-day evaluation was a tremendous success with the team scoring extremely well and remaining on the state deployment list.

The USAR Team's flood/swift water group was activated and deployed during Hurricane Gustav to Baton Rouge, LA. This was a first time for the team to be deployed out of state with its flood/swift water group.

The team conducted recertification training in: Confined space rescue, trench rescue, rope rescue, flood/swift water rescue, rescue boat operator, mobilization drill, large animal rescue, United States National Grid mapping

The team conducted new programs in: flood/swift water rescue, rescue boat operator, large animal rescue, critical incident stress management

The CEO and Task Force Leaders attended various local, state and national USAR meetings throughout the year.

soon to come with the first four; Tom Geier, James Amador, Kevin Ortiz, and Joel Ortiz, who became known as our Recruit Class #1.

Since our inception as Fire Explorer Post #5513, we have had the privilege of educating and impacting 19 youth in this area. The dedicated members of this District have successfully conducted Recruit Class #2 with five more participants passing. As word spread like wildfire we conducted Recruit Class #3. With seven more new explorers joining the ranks, the post sought monetary help to meet the need for equipment and uniforms. The District, Bonita Springs Professional Firefighters Local 3444 and local businesses came to our aid.



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The explorers have assisted with events for fire prevention/education, filling sandbags for flood victims, Christmas in the Park 2008, fund raising, cleaning the stations and trucks, reloading fire hose and equipment, and projecting a positive image of our profession. The Fire Explorer Post is expanding in numbers, dedication, and training to develop these young men and women to be more of an asset to the community, the district, and to their futures. We currently have 14 Explorers, one Explorer/Advisor, nine Advisors, and one Lead Advisor, who is FF Paul Devan. There are three teenagers waiting to join the program.

Honor Guard

The BSFD Honor Guard was established in August 2007 to officially represent the District in the posting of colors for both department and community, including funerals and other ceremonial events.

To date the Honor Guard has participated in events to include fire and law enforcement funerals, September 11th ceremonies: Celebrate Bonita, Edison Festival of Light Parade, Arcadia Rodeo (Public Safety, Military Day), Southwest Florida Public Safety Academy (Fire Academy) graduation ceremonies and fire service seminars (hosted in-house).



Team members include: DC Shane Sibert, LT Brad Brown, LT Barry Brown, LT Paul Canning, LT Jim Lamb, FF Fred Plocinski, FF Andy Chicas and FF Bruce Sheffield.

Special Operations

During the first quarter of 2008, the Special Operations Division received new low pressure lift bags to expand our extrication equipment cache. The Division replaced most of its old and out-of-date water rescue personal protective equipment with new equipment for the cache. Applications for Rescue and Water Rescue Technicians positions were reviewed and filled upon training, experience and seniority.

In May, water rescue members attended the United States Coast Guard course, Rules of the Road, hosted by Sanibel FD. During May and June, our Special Operations members participated with the Urban Search And Rescue team in the four courses listed below. Some of our Special Operation members received first time certification and a few others were recertified including

Annual Response Profile

	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
Total Responses	5183	5142	5012	5122
% of Increase	5.84%	-0.79%	-2.5%	2.2%

Monthly Response Profile

<i>Month</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
January	498	494	464	450
February	516	532	485	538
March	516	564	485	552
April	452	479	470	425
May	383	410	401	385
June	370	328	385	384
July	370	379	398	391
August	374	362	376	386
September	357	390	342	372
October	460	367	404	381
November	439	415	395	415
December	448	422	407	442
Total	5183	5142	5012	5122

Daily Response Profile

<i>Day of Week</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
Sunday	671	663	714	700
Monday	751	792	722	742
Tuesday	707	724	709	736
Wednesday	754	698	753	750
Thursday	739	702	668	696
Friday	792	788	727	737
Saturday	769	775	719	761
Total	5183	5142	5012	5722

Station Response Profile

<i>Station</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
One	1937	1737	1636	1750
Two	833	913	898	987
Three	673	660	610	690
Four	905	1035	1062	1002
Five	761	711	670	666
Out of District	40	74	133	27
Total	5183	5142	5012	5122

Shift Response Profile

<i>Shift</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
"A" Shift	1703	1772	1624	1701
"B" Shift	1787	1749	1679	1671
"C" Shift	1693	1621	1709	1750
Total	4897	5183	5012	5122

Incident Type

Count

Fire

Fire, Other	8
Building Fire	19
Fires in Structures other than a Building	3
Cooking Fire, Confined to Container	8
Trash or Rubbish Fire, Contained	2
Fire in Mobile Home Used as a Fixed Residence	6
Mobile Property (vehicle) Fire, Other	2
Passenger Vehicle Fire	14
Water Vehicle Fire	2
Self-propelled Motor Home or Recreational	1
Off-road Vehicle or Heavy Equipment Fire	1
Camper or Recreational Vehicle (RV) fire	2
Natural Vegetation Fire, Other	10
Forest, Woods or Wildland Fire	14
Brush, or Brush and Grass Mixture Fire	24
Grass Fire	5
Outside Rubbish Fire, Other	9
Outside Rubbish, Trash or Waste Fire	9
Construction or Demolition Landfill Fire	1
Special Outside Fire, Other	6
Outside Equipment Fire	1
Outside Gas or Vapor Combustion Explosion	1
Sub-Total	148

Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheated-No Fire

Overpressure Rupture of Steam Pipe or	1
Explosion (no fire), Other	2
Excessive Heat, Scorch Burns with no Ignition	3
Sub-Total	6

Rescue & EMS Medical Service Incidents

Rescue, EMS Incident, Other	927
Medical Assist, Assist EMS Crew	507
EMS Call, Excluding Vehicle Accident with Injuries	1613
Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries	155
Motor Vehicle/Pedestrian Accident	25
Motor Vehicle Accident with no Injuries	245
Lock-In	2
Search for Person in Water	2
Extrication, Rescue, Other	2
Extrication of Victim(s) from Vehicle	4
Extrication of Victims from Building	1
Removal of Victim(s) from Stalled Elevator	4
Water & Ice Related Rescue, Other	2
Swimming/Recreational WaterArea Rescue	1

Watercraft Rescue	2
Rescue or EMS Standby	1
Sub-Total	3490

Hazardous Conditions (No Fire)

Hazardous Condition, Other	10
Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition	3
Gasoline or Other Flammable Liquid Spill	20
Gas Leak (Natural or LPG)	10
Oil or Other Combustible Liquid Spill	5
Toxic Condition, Other	1
Chemical Spill or Leak	1
Refrigeration Leak	1
Electrical Wiring/Equipment Problem, Other	6
Heat From Short Circuit (wiring)	3
Overheated Motor	1
Breakdown of Light Ballast	1
Power Line Down	6
Arcing, Shorted Electrical Equipment	34
Accident, Potential Accident, Other	1
Vehicle Accident, General Cleanup	5
Sub-Total	108

Service Call

Service Call, Other	9
Person in Distress, Other	9
Lockout	7
Water Problem, Other	2
Water Evacuation	1
Water or Steam Leak	2
Smoke or Odor Investigation	27
Animal Problem, Other	1
Animal Rescue	1
Public Service Assistance, Other	77
Assist Police or Other Governmental Agency	3
Public Service	28
Assist Invalid	18
Defective Elevator, no occupants	6
Unauthorized Burning	12
Cover Assignment, Standby, Moveup	3
Sub-Total	205

Good Intent Call

Good Intent Call, Other	49
Dispatched and Cancelled En Route	272
Dispatched and Cancelled On Scene	236

Good Intent Call

Wrong Location	4
No Incident Found on Arrival at Dispatch Location	47
Prescribed Fire	3
Authorized Controlled Burning	7
Steam, Other Gas Mistken for Smoke, Other	2
Smoke Scare, Oder of Smoke	5
Steam, Vapor, For or Dust Thought to be Smoke	1
HazMat RElease Investigation w/no HazMat	6
Sub-Total	629

False Alarm & False Call

False Alarm or False Call, Other	176
False Alarm/No Response (Fire Alarm)	30
Malicious, Mischiev., False Call, Other	5
Municipal Alarm System, Malicious False Call	2
Local Alarm System, Malicious False Alarm	1
Bomb Scare-No Bomb	2
System Malfunction, Other	65
Sprinkler Activation due to Malfunction	1
Smoke Detector Activation due to Malfunction	23
Heat Detector Activation due to Malfunction	6
Alarm System due to Malfunction	55
Unintentional Transmission of Alarm	21
Sprinkler Detector Activation, No Fire	2
Smoke Detector Activation, No Fire	40
Detector Activation, No Fire	14
Alarm System Activation, No Fire	81
Sub-Total	524

Severe Weather & Natural Disaster

Severe Weather or Natural Disaster, Other	2
Lightning Strike, No Fire	1
Sub-Total	3

Special Incident Type

Special Type of Incident, Other	5
Citizen Complaint	4
Sub-Total	9

Total **5122**

Public Education Division



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The mission of the Public Education Division is to provide public information, public education and victim assistance to the more than 43,000 full-time residents of Bonita Springs.

Fire and Life Safety Education

By the end of 2008, the department had trained 318 students through the Public Education and Information Program. The goal of the program is to offer a variety of fire and life safety programs to all age groups in the community.

Class attendance in 2008:

CPR Classes:	95 students
AED Classes:	81 students
Safe Babysitting Classes:	11 students
Fire Extinguisher Classes:	131 students

Total: 318 students

Community Relations

Over the past 14 years, the department has strived to increase public awareness of the services provided by BSFD, making public relations one of the most important tasks of the Public Education Division. The philosophy is that if our customers, the community's taxpayers, are aware of and pleased with the services provided, then they will be supportive of the path being carved for the district in the future.

During 2008, the department participated in numerous community events, including children's educational events, reading fairs, and parades, just to name a few. At the community's largest events, such as the Celebrate Bonita Festival, Spring Creek Elementary School's Fun Fest, Annual Night Out Against Crime, and the Lover's Key Outdoor Adventure Days, firefighters talk with the public and display equipment to promote life and fire safety awareness. These events draw thousands of people and provide a unique opportunity to enhance the department's image and foster positive community relations.

Clowning Around

Assistant Public Education Specialist Nicole Giuliano initiated a new program for the department in 2007 - fire safety clowning. The idea of clowning in fire safety public education program has been popular for years and is taught through the State Fire College in Ocala. Our own Fire Safety Clown, aka Sizzle, made her debut at the Station Four open house event in October and made numerous appearances at community events during the past year.

