

ALEXANDRIA FIRE DISTRICT

2008 Annual Review



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Introduction:

The Alexandria Fire District is a special fire-taxing district (KRS Chapter 75) that encompasses a twenty-five square mile area, including the City of Alexandria and bordering southern Campbell County area. A seven-member board as prescribed by KRS Chapter 75 governs the Fire District. The population served by the Fire District is approximately 15,000 to 20,000 citizens. Services provided by the Fire District include Fire/ Rescue services and Emergency Medical services. The City of Alexandria is primed for growth with the recent opening of the Eastern Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant. Already approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission or in the process of construction are seven subdivisions with approximately 2,000 homes and condominiums. Due to the state of the economy, the construction of these homes has been delayed. Commercial properties completed include the Super Wal-Mart, Arby's, Sonic and Walgreen's. In the planning stages are United Dairy Farmers and a Speedway Gas Station. As these projects start to become reality, the Alexandria Fire District has the task of keeping up with the emergency services needs with equipment and personnel. The Fire District continues their part with the Northern Kentucky Technical Rescue Team, which coincides with the ordering of a new Heavy Rescue Truck that will be delivered In February of 2009. The following is an end of year summary for calendar year 2008, reporting fire and EMS responses, training, personal responses, accomplishments by the Fire District, and a look into the future. 2009 will be a very busy year for the Fire District to include Advanced Life Support, hiring paramedics, purchasing a paramedic chase car, the arrival of the New Heavy Rescue Truck, and a proposed new Life Squad.

Population Served:	Approximate 10,000 City of Alexandria Approximate 5,000 to 7,000 County Area
Square Miles:	25 Square Miles (Both city and county)
Fire Dept Created:	1937
Fire District Created:	1976 (Campbell County Fire District #5)
First Career Staff:	1997
First Career Chief:	1997
ISO Rating:	Class 4 (Hydrant Areas) Class 9 (Non-Hydrant Areas)
Responses 2008:	Fire 359 EMS 880

Budget:	\$1.59 Million
Staffing:	Ten Career Forty-Three Volunteer (Fire and EMS) Eight Explorers
Equipment:	2002 Suthpen Pumper 1500 GPM 1993 Suthpen Pumper 1500 GPM 1994 Sutphen 75' Aerial Ladder Truck 1500 GPM 1989 Ford Ranger Rescue Truck 2005 Horton Ambulance 1994 Road Rescue Ambulance 2006 Command Vehicle (Chief) 1997 Command Vehicle (Deputy Chief) 2008 Utility Pick-Up 2008 Polaris off-road vehicle Foam Trailer with 75/5-gallon foam buckets
Board Members:	Steve Minshall – Chairman (Fire Member Elect) Bill Hipple – Vice-Chairman (Property Owner Elect Jan-July)) Betty Rauch – Sec/Treas (Property Owner Elect) Mike Berkemeyer – Trustee (Fire Member Elect) Doug Carmack – Trustee (Judge Exec Appointee) Mic Cooney – Trustee (Judge Exec Appointee) Jim Korpik – Trustee (Judge Exec Appointee) Doug Neyman – Trustee (Property Owner Elect-July-)
Fire Hydrants	551

New Rescue Truck Committee:

The new Rescue Truck Committee continued their hard work on the new rescue truck with overseeing the manufacturing process and ordering new equipment. This committee met throughout the year and has spent numerous hours with meetings and demonstrations. This total does not reflect time spent on administrative, research work, and additional duties assigned to each individual. The committee was chaired by Assistant Chief Mark Rauch, assisted by Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch, and committee members Major Bud Lederer, Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand, Captain Paul Ampfer, Lts Matt Reed and John Seitz and Frank Santee. The New Rescue Truck will be delivered in February of 2009. Special thanks for all the hard work of the committee.

Technical Rescue Team:

In 2008, the Alexandria Fire District continued their part in the Northern Kentucky Technical Rescue Team. The team started with the Erlanger, Point Pleasant, and Florence Fire Departments in 1995 and was joined by the Sanitation District #1 in 2000, Hebron Fire Department in 2004 and recently the Covington Fire Department. The Alexandria Fire District became the first department in Campbell County to commit resources to the team (personnel and rescue truck) and has committed to the Confined Space, Trench Rescue, Large Animal Rescue, and Heavy Rescue/Extrication division while assisting with the other divisions. The team has recently reorganized and areas of emergency response for the team are confined space, emergency shoring, heavy rescue/extrication, rigging, search, and swift water/ice rescue. Chief Koenig of Erlanger FD is the Chairman of the TRT, and board members (steering committee members) are Chief Giordano of Point Pleasant FPD, Chief Martin of Hebron FPD, Rod Bell of the Sanitation District #1, Assistant Chief Groneck of the Covington FD, Chief Pohlman of the Alexandria FD, Chief Morgan of Union FPD, Kirk Reinhart of Kenton County OEM and Ron Schneider of Campbell County OEM. In 2008, the Alexandria Fire District personnel took part in numerous training classes to increase their knowledge base in these technical rescue areas to include confined space rescue (operation and technician level) and large animal rescue. The AFD TRT members also took part in a joint training exercise in the summer with all TRT team members to test every discipline of the organization. The AFD TRT members assisted with three call-outs, an injured worker in a water tower in Southern Campbell, two lost children in Alexandria and a horse rescue in the Silver Grove area of Fire District #1.

Explorer Post 100:

In February of 2007, the Alexandria Fire District Explorer Post was established. The program follows the "Learning for Life" through the Boy Scouts of America. The purpose of this program is to get young kids involved in the fire service and when they attain the age of 18, they can become regular volunteer members of the Fire District. The Explorers train on Wednesday evenings and are permitted to train with the regular members on Monday evening. They do have limitations to what they are permitted to do training wise and are well supervised by the Fire District Advisor. The Advisor from the Fire District is Lt. Seitz. In 2008 the Explorers participated in multiple fire firefighter competitions at Scarlett Oaks, Kentucky FF Association Regional and State Olympics. At the Scarlett Oaks competition, Team 1 finished first in the barrel fill. At the Regional Olympics, Team 1 finished 3rd overall. Their greatest accomplishment was the State competition where Team 1 finished 1st overall and are now the State Champions. They also received letters from the Mayor of Alexandria and Congressman Geoff Davis for their achievements. Explorer members are Captain Danny Hildebrand, Captain Kris Seitz, Lt. Travis Rauch, Lt. Colton Sharp, Lt. Brittany Wagner, Justin Britton, Jonathan Burt, Eric Fleckinger, Matt Glenn, Elijah Meyer, Chris Pratt, Courtney Turrene and Josh Cummins. The

Explorers continue to have a monthly "Youth Dance" held at the Community Center and Fire Station. They continue their fund raising event with the address signs and donated \$250.00 to the Fire Department for the annual "Santa on the Fire Truck"/Needy Family endeavor. The Explorer program has been a great success and remains a very active part of the Fire District.

Campbell County Firefighter Educational Association:

In January of 2008, Chief Pohlman was sworn in as Advisor-Past President of the Association. Chief Pohlman received a life time membership to the organization.

Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association:

In January of 2008, Major Lederer was sworn in as Treasurer of the Association. This is a position that he has held for many years. The Fire District received a "perfect attendance" award for attending all meetings.

Kentucky Firefighters Association:

In July of 2008, the KFA conference was held in Northern Kentucky and was hosted by the Campbell County Fire District #1. Attending from the Fire District was Chief Pohlman, Deputy Chief Rauch, Board Member Betty Rauch, Major Lederer, and numerous other district members participated in the activities. Major Lederer is also the Northern Kentucky Regional Director for the KFA and Chief Pohlman is on the KRS Chapter 75 Committee. The AFD volunteer organization hosted a hospitality room pool side during the off hours of the conference.

Kentucky Fire Chiefs Association:

In 2008, Chief Pohlman attended meetings throughout the state for this organization. Chief Pohlman is on the Legislative Committee for this Association.

Kentucky Fire Commission:

Board Member Betty Rauch serves on the Kentucky Fire Commission and is the only Northern Kentucky Representative on the Commission. She serves as the representative for the Trustees of Fire Protection Districts and is very active in this organization.

Northern Kentucky Fire Officer School:

In January of 2008, the third Fire Officer's class started at the Erlanger Fire Station. This class is taken from the IFSAC Fire Officer manual and prepares officers or junior officers in the everyday functions of being an officer. Chief Pohlman is on the school committee and teaches the budgeting class. Keith Hammann, Larry Record, Jason Weghorn, Lt. John Seitz and Michael Pohlman attended this class and graduated in May of 2008. This makes 9 members from the Fire District that has completed the course.

EMT Class:

The Alexandria Fire District and Fire District #1 sponsored a joint EMT class held at both stations. This gives both Fire Districts opportunities to obtain new EMS members. Currently, AFD members Kris Seitz and Brittany Wagner are enrolled in this class.

Advanced Life Support:

In November 2008, the Alexandria Board of Trustees gave approval for the Fire District to initiate Advanced Life Support operations starting July 1, 2009. The Fire District will contract ALS services to Campbell County Fire District #1, Melbourne Fire District, Southgate and Wilder Fire Departments. One paramedic chase car will operate out of the Alexandria Fire Station and one paramedic chase car will operate out of the Wilder Fire Station. Six paramedics will be employed to complete this endeavor.

CPR Classes:

In 2008, members from the Alexandria Fire District instructed numerous CPR classes certifying many citizens here at the fire station. Captain Ford, assisted by Jim Ciccarella, Keith Hammann, Chris Wuertz, Matt Julian, Mike Sheanshang, and Larry Record instructed these classes and has been very instrumental to the community.

Public Fire Education:

During the entire year and especially around the fire prevention month of October, members from our Fire District visit the local schools and various daycares to talk about different fire safety programs. Many children are instructed on fire prevention and safety measures for the home. The fire safety house was taken to Campbell County Middle School for Redi-Fest. The Fire District also has many children from local schools and daycares visit the fire station to talk fire safety and take a tour to look at the Fire/EMS apparatus and equipment. Sandy Decker heads this program and is assisted by many of the members, including the Explorers. The Fire District members also visited Campbell Ridge Elementary for a Health Fair and safety demonstrations, the Behringer-Crawford Museum in Covington for a Fire Prevention and Safety display and St. Mary's for a Cub Scout "egg drop".

Special Details:

Parades – During the year, Fire District members participate in the Memorial Day Parade, Alexandria Fair Parade and Campbell County High School Homecoming Parade.

Demo Derby – In May, July and September of 2008, the Alexandria Fire District members provided fire and EMS coverage for the demolition derbies held at the Alexandria Fair Grounds.

911 Service - In October of 2008, Fire District members participated in the 911 Memorial Service held at the Northern Kentucky Firefighter memorial at the

Peace Bell in Newport. There was also a memorial dedication to former Chief Larry B. Atwell at the sight of the FF memorial.

State Fire Fighter Memorial Service – In October, Chief Pohlman and Board/Fire Commission Member Betty Rauch attended the Kentucky State Fire Fighter Memorial Service held at the FF memorial in Frankfort.

Funeral Detail – On April 9, eleven members participated in a funeral detail in Cincinnati for the two fallen Colerain Township Firefighters who lost their lives battling a structure fire.

EMS Details - During 2008, EMS members provided EMS coverage for the 5K Run at the city park, week-long coverage at the Alexandria Fair, the Northern Kentucky Band Festival at Campbell County Middle School, Demo Derby's, St. Mary's Festival, Campbell County High School varsity football games, and Bishop Brossart High School.

Turkey Raffle – On November 1st, the annual Turkey Raffle was held at the fire station with a great crowd on hand.

Santa on Fire truck – In December of 2008, thirty-eight members and board members participated in the annual "Santa on the Fire truck". Santa rode around town passing approximately 1000 candy canes to the boys and girls of the Fire District.

Needy Family - In December of 2008, members assisted Santa with giving gifts to a couple of five needy families. Donations from the various organizations of the Fire District and community organizations assist in making this a reality for these families.

Special Awards:

In October of 2008, Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand received a "Firefighter of the Year" award from the Alexandria Lions.

Retirements:

In 2008, Engineer Jim Ciceralla and Engineer Joe Lippert retired after many years with the Fire District. Both were volunteer members of the district.

Fire-EMS Response/6 Year

History

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fire Responses</u>	<u>EMS Responses</u>
2003	406	724
2004	317	713
2005	315	857
2006	298	816
2007	298	802
2008	376	887

Personnel:

The Fire District has 10 career staff and 43 volunteer Fire and EMS personnel. There three shifts of two personnel apiece working 24/48 hour shifts. One shift has three personnel. The Fire Chief and Captain work during the week as does the Administrative Assistant who is also crossed trained as an EMT. There is one Fire Chief, one Deputy Chief, one Assistant Chief, one Major Safety Officer, three Captains, one Chief Engineer, two Lieutenants, six Engineers, nineteen firefighters only, and nine EMT only personnel. Eleven are cross-trained as EMTs and there are four paramedics. There are four recruits and eight Explorers.

Member History/Past 7 Years

<u>Year</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Volunteer</u>	<u>Explorers</u>
2001	8	44	0
2002	No Report	No Report	0
2003	9	36	0
2004	9	44	0
2005	10	44	0
2006	10	44	0
2007	10	38	7
2008	10 (includes Sect)	43	8

Command Staff: (Years of Service in Parenthesis)

Chief Jeff Pohlman* (36.5 yrs)
Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch (44.5 yrs)
Assistant Chief Mark Rauch (28.5 yrs)

Officers:

Major Bud Lederer* (50.5 yrs)	Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand (25.5 yrs)
Captain Paul Ampfer (28.5 yrs)	Lt. Matt Reed (25 yrs)
Captain Dennis Rauch (30 yrs)	Lt. John Seitz* (21.5)
Captain Tim Ford** (17.5 yrs)	

Engineers:

Steve Bohrer* (10.5 yrs)	Steve Minshall (36.5 yrs)
Keith Hammann* (23.5 yrs)	Larry Record* (18 yrs)
George Hundemer* (22.5 yrs)	Mel Sands* (9 yrs)

Firefighters:

Joe Britton (2 yr)	Paul Schaber* (10.5 yrs)
Amy Gray (3 yrs)	Mike Sheanshang* (3yrs)
Brad Oeffler (5.5 yrs)	Bill Steffen (13.5 yrs)
James Pape* (9 yrs)	Phillip Tarvin* (3.5 yrs)
Steve Pasley* (2 yrs)	Jason Weghorn** (8yrs)
Frank Santee* (4 yrs)	Jimmy Hauenstein (2 yrs)
Danny Hildebrand* (2 yrs)	Ricky Mays (2 yrs)
Jeremy Nall (2.5 yrs)	Sean Bartlett* (1 yr)
Kris Seitz (2 yrs)	Scott Ifcic* (1 yr)
Jonathon Burt (1 yr)	Andrew Nauman* (1 yr)
Matt Julian* (1 yr)	Chris Wuertz** (1 yr)
Brittany Wagner (1 yr)	Colton Sharp (1 yr)

* Denotes EMT

** Denotes Paramedic

Emergency Medical Technicians:

Michela Abeln (1.5 yrs)	Victor Palumbo (4.5 yrs)
Heidi Baker (1 yr)	Jessica Racke (.5 yrs)
Jessica Carson (4 yrs)	Tammy Seitz (19.5 yrs)
Sandy Decker (12.5 yrs)	Shana Weghorn (3.5 yrs)
Annie Dischar (13 yrs)	

Recruits:

Melissa Lewis	Joshua Nelson
Robert Newman	Eric Wind

Explorers:

Danny Hildebrand* - Captain	Jonathon Burt*
Kris Seitz *- Lieutenant	Josh Cummins
Travis Rauch - Lieutenant	Eric Fleckinger
Colton Sharp* - Lieutenant/Safety Officer	Matt Glenn
Brittany Wagner* - Lieutenant	Elijah Meyer
Justin Britton	Chris Pratt
	Courtney Turrene

Fire Responses - 2008

Fire Related Responses

	Number	% of Incidents	Total Est Loss	% of Fire Loss
Fire, Other	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Fire Investigation	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Building Fire	5	1.39%	273,000.00	95%
Building Fire, Out Upon Arrival	3	0.83%	\$ -	0%
Cooking Fire, Confined To Container	2	0.55%	\$ -	0%
Fuel Burner	2	0.55%	\$ -	0%
Fire In Mobile Home	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Passenger Vehicle Fire	3	0.83%	14,400.00	
Passenger Vehicle Fire, Out Upon Arrival	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Natural Vegetation	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Brush Fire	5	1.39%	\$ -	0%
Grass Fire	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Outside Rubbish, Trash	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Construction Fire	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Dumpster Fire	2	0.55%	\$ -	0%
Mulch Fire	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
<u>Cultivated Grain Fire</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	32	8.79%	\$ 287,400.00	100%

Overpressure/Overheat

Overpressure rupture from air or gas	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
<u>Excessive Heat</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	2	0.54%	\$ -	0%

Rescue and EMS Incidents

Rescue, EMS Incidents, Other	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Medical Assist/Assist EMS Crew	35	9.74%	\$ -	0%
EMS Call, Excluding Vehicle Accidents	25	6.96%	\$ -	0%
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Injuries	25	6.96%	\$ -	0%
Motor Vehicle/Pedestrian Accident	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Motor Vehicle Accidents with No Injuries	9	2.50%	\$ -	0%
Lock-In	2	0.55%	\$ -	0%
Search For Lost Person, Other	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Search For Lost Person	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Extrication, Rescue, Other	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Extrication of Victims From Vehicle	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
<u>Ice Rescue</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	103	28.60%	\$ -	0%

Hazardous Condition (No Fire)

Hazardous Conditions, Other	2	0.55%	\$ -	0%
Gasoline or Other Flammable Spill	6	1.67%	\$ -	0%
Gas Leak (Natural Gas or LP)	4	1.11%	\$ -	0%
Oil or Other Combustible Liquid Spill	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Toxic Condition, Other	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Chemical Hazard (No spill or leak)	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Chemical Spill or Leak	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Carbon Monoxide Incident	7	1.94%	\$ -	0%
Electrical Wiring/Equipment Problem	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%

Overheated Motor	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Power Line Down	3	0.83%	\$	-	0%
Lines Down (Other than Electric)	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Arcing/Shorted Electrical Equipment	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Biological Hazard, confirmed/suspected	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Accident, potential accident	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Building or Structure Weakened/Collapsed	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Vehicle Accident/General Cleanup	5	1.39%	\$	-	0%
Vehicle Accident, Overturned	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
<u>Explosive, bomb removal/scare</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	42	11.56%	\$	-	0%

Service Call

Service Call, Other	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Water Problem, Other	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Water Evacuation	5	1.39%	\$	-	0%
Odor of Natural Gas	4	1.11%	\$	-	0%
Animal Rescue	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Police Matter	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
<u>Cover Assignment/Stand-By</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1.11%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	20	5.53%	\$	-	0%

Good Intent

Good Intent Call, Other	4	1.11%	\$	-	0%
Good Intent Call, Mistaken Alarm	2	0.55%	\$	-	0%
Good Intent Call, Gas Odor	8	2.22%	\$	-	0%
Dispatched and Cancelled Enroute	26	7.24%	\$	-	0%
Dispatched and No Unit Responded	9	2.50%	\$	-	0%
No Incident Found Upon Arrival	8	2.22%	\$	-	0%
Authorized Controlled Burn	3	0.83%	\$	-	0%
Steam, Other Gas	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Smoke Scare, Odor of Smoke	4	1.11%	\$	-	0%
<u>Steam Vapor</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0.27%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	66	18.32%	\$	-	0%

False Alarm and False Call

False Alarm or False Call. Other	9	2.50%	\$	-	0%
False Call, Nothing Found	3	0.83%	\$	-	0%
Sprinkler Activation due to Malfunction	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Smoke Detector Activation	6	1.67%	\$	-	0%
Alarm System Sounded	3	0.83%	\$	-	0%
CO Detector Activation	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Sprinkler Detector Activation, No Fire	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Smoke Detector Activation, No Fire	3	0.83%	\$	-	0%
Detector Activation	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Alarm System Sounded, No Fire	4	1.11%	\$	-	0%
<u>Carbon Monoxide Detector Activation/No CO</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0.55%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	34	9.40%	\$	-	0%

Severe Weather and Natural Disaster

Severe Weather or Natural Disaster	1	0.27%	\$	-	0%
Wind Storm	52	14.48%	\$	-	0%

Thunderstorm, Tree Down	4	1.11%	\$ -	0%
<u>Lightning Strike, No Fire</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0.55%</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>0%</u>
Totals	59	16.41%	\$ -	0%

Special Incident Type

Fire Hydrant Open and Flowing	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%
Totals	1	0.27%	\$ -	0%

Total Incidents 359 \$ 287,400.00

Fire Loss:

There were 12 fires in buildings that totaled in value \$869,000.00. Total losses for these fires were \$273,000.00 (31%) and total saved was \$596,000.00 (69%).

There were also 4 vehicle fires with a \$ 14,400.00 loss.

Fire Loss/Past 6 Year History

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Fires</u>	<u>Total Value</u>	<u>Total Saved</u>	<u>Total Loss</u>
2003	8	\$ 291,000.00	\$ 153,870.00	\$ 137,130.00
2004	15	\$ 440,300.00	\$ 195,700.00	\$ 244,600.00
2005	24	\$ 1,864,400.00	\$ 1,057,450.00	\$ 806,950.00
2006	19	\$ 789,842.00	\$ 409,034.00	\$ 380,808.00
2007	6	\$ 394,800.00	\$ 59,000.00	\$ 335,800.00
<u>2008</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>\$ 869,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 596,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 273,000.00</u>
Totals	84	\$ 4,649,342.00	\$ 2,471,054.00	\$ 2,178,288.00

Fire Incidents By District

<u>District</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>	<u>Estimated Losses</u>
Not Reported	76	21.16%	\$ -
Other	2	0.55%	\$ -
Residential	153	42.61%	\$ 120,000.00
Commercial	54	15.04%	\$ 167,400.00
Educational	9	2.50%	\$ -
Highway/Roadway	48	13.37%	\$ -
Central Campbell	2	0.55%	\$ -
Southern Campbell	7	1.94%	\$ -
Campbell County Fire District #1	6	1.67%	\$ -
Pendleton County	1	0.27%	\$ -
Boone County	1	0.27%	\$ -
Totals	359		\$ 287,400.00

Personnel Fire Responses:

Fire Personnel

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Fire Responses</u>
Jeff Pohlman	Fire Chief	118
Charlie Rauch	Deputy Fire Chief	232
Mark Rauch	Assistant Fire Chief	171
Bud Lederer	Major/Safety Officer	157
Dennis Rauch	Captain	20
Paul Ampfer	Captain	72
Tim Ford	Captain/Paramedic	97
Dan Hildebrand	Chief Engineer	118
John Seitz	Lieutenant/EMT	146
Matt Reed	Lieutenant	137
Sean Bartlett	Firefighter/EMT	24
Steve Bohrer	Engineer/EMT	65
Joe Britton	Firefighter	108
Jonathan Burt	Firefighter	75
Jim Ciccarella	Engineer/EMT	40
Amy Gray	Firefighter	8
Keith Hammann	Engineer/EMT	75
James Hauenstein	Firefighter	68
Danny Hildebrand	Firefighter/EMT	173
George Hundemer	Engineer/EMT	20
Scott Ifcic	Firefighter/EMT	76
Josh Ilg***	Firefighter	18
Matthew Julian	Firefighter/EMT	41
Melissa Lewis	Firefighter	4
Adam Mardis***	Engineer/EMT	34
Ricky Mays Jr	Firefighter	21
Steve Minshall	Engineer	60
William Mueller***	Probationary FF	2
Jeremy Nall	Firefighter	3
Andrew Nauman	Firefighter/EMT	1
Josh Nelson	Probationary FF	1
Robert Newman	Probationary FF	3
Nathan Noguerras***	Firefighter	24
Brad Oeffler	Firefighter	119
James Pape	Firefighter/EMT	60
Steve Pasley	Firefighter/EMT	5
Michael Pohlman	Firefighter/EMT	40
Larry Record	Engineer/EMT	66
Mel Sands	Engineer/EMT	128
Frank Santee	Firefighter/EMT	112
Paul Schaber	Firefighter/EMT	14
Kristopher Seitz	Firefighter	164
Colton Sharp	Firefighter	71
Mike Sheanshang	Firefighter/EMT	187

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Fire Responses</u>
Bill Steffen	Firefighter	87
Dwayne Strickland***	Firefighter	0
Phillip Tarvin	Firefighter/EMT	143
Marc Twehues***	Firefighter	0
Brittany Wagner	Firefighter	9
David Weghorn***	Firefighter/EMT	47
Jason Weghorn	Firefighter/Paramedic	40
Eric Wind	Probationary FF	3
Chris Wuertz	Firefighter	45

Explorers

Justin Britton	Explorer	60
Josh Cummins	Explorer	22
Eric Fleckinger	Explorer	8
Elijah Meyer	Explorer	11
Chris Pratt	Explorer	8
Travis Rauch	Explorer	84
Courtney Turenne	Explorer	2

*** Denotes No Longer With Fire District

Personnel Fire Responses:

EMS Personnel

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Fire Responses</u>
Michela Abeln	EMT	26
Amanda Ash***	EMT	4
Heidi Baker	Paramedic	2
Nikki Carson	EMT	38
Sandy Decker	EMT	72
Annie Dischar	EMT	0
Victor Palumbo	EMT	3
Jessica Racke	EMT	1
Tammy Seitz	EMT	8
Shana Weghorn	EMT	15

*** Denotes No Longer With Fire District

There were 359 fire incidents in the calendar year 2008. For those 359 responses, 4016 personnel with an average response of 12 per incident staffed them.

<u>Alarm Hour</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>
19:00	27	7.52%
20:00	16	4.45%
21:00	15	4.17%
22:00	8	2.22%
23:00	14	3.89%
Total	359	

Emergency Medical Responses: 2008

<u>Medical Emergency</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Refusal/No Patient	174	19.46%
Trauma	160	17.89%
Other	119	13.31%
General Illness	74	8.27%
Respiratory Distress	65	7.27%
Chest Pain	65	7.27%
Abdominal Pain	64	7.15%
Behavior/Psych	38	4.25%
Diabetic Emergency	25	2.79%
Altered LOC	21	2.34%
Hemorrhaging/Bleeding	16	1.78%
Seizure	16	1.78%
Fainting	15	1.67%
Cardiac	11	1.23%
Cardiac Arrest	8	0.89%
Pregnancy/OB	7	0.78%
Allergic Reaction	4	0.44%
Death	3	0.33%
Poison/Drug	3	0.33%
Stroke	3	0.33%
Shock	1	0.11%
Respiratory Arrest	1	0.11%
Sexual Assault	1	0.11%
Total Emergency Medical Responses: 2008	887	
Total Patient Contacts 2008:	894	

Advanced Life Support:

The Alexandria Fire District, along with Campbell County Fire District #1, Melbourne Fire District, Southgate Fire Department, Wilder Fire Department, and Taylor Mill Fire Department, contract with TransCare to provide Advanced Life Support. This is a tiered system utilizing a chase-car system with one paramedic/car at the Alexandria Fire Station (covers AFD, FD #1 and Melbourne

FD) and one paramedic/car at the Wilder Fire Station (covers SGFD, WFD and TMFD). Below is a chart of ALS dispatches for the Alexandria Fire District only.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Dispatched</u>	<u>Missed</u>
2005 (Since May)	158	0
2006	246	1
2007	238	0
2008	281	0

EMS District Report:

This section denotes where Emergency Medical Responses were made.

<u>District</u>	<u>Incidents</u>	<u>Patients Treated</u>	<u>Percent of Incidents</u>
Residential	639	628	72.61%
Commercial	149	156	16.93%
Highway/Roadway	49	55	5.56%
Other	16	31	1.81%
Educational	11	12	1.25%
Southern Campbell Fire District	11	9	1.25%
Central Campbell Fire District	4	3	0.45%
Campbell County Fire District #1	1	0	0.11%
Total Incident Count	880		
Total Patient Count		894	

EMS-Average Age of Patients

<u>Age Category</u>	<u>Male Patients</u>	<u>Female Patients</u>
0 to 9	32	24
10 to 19	36	42
20 to 29	49	33
30 to 39	45	34
40 to 49	62	56
50 to 59	52	67
60 to 69	52	75
70 to 79	63	58
80 to 89	42	53
90 to 99	4	12
100-109	1	
Totals	438	454
	48.9%	50.7%
Total Patient Contacts	891	
Average Age of Patient	50 years old	

EMS Response Location

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
City Residence	420	47.70%
County Residence	223	25.3%
Fire Station	50	5.60%
Divided Highway	43	4.80%
Roadway	36	4.00%
Store	29	3.20%
Doctor's Office	16	1.80%
Restaurant	16	1.80%
Middle School	7	0.70%
Fairgrounds	7	0.70%
Police Station	4	0.40%
Business Office	4	0.40%
Tavern	3	0.30%
Gas Station	3	0.30%
Service Station/Repairs	3	0.30%
Daycare	3	0.30%
Bowling Alley	3	0.30%
Daycare	2	0.20%
Skating Rink	2	0.20%
Bank	2	0.20%
Church	2	0.20%
High School	1	0.10%
Not Specified	1	0.10%
Totals	880	

EMS Alarm Times:

<u>Alarm Time</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
0:00	14	1.5%
1:00	20	2.2%
2:00	16	1.8%
3:00	12	1.3%
4:00	20	2.2%
5:00	13	1.4%
6:00	16	1.8%
7:00	21	2.3%
8:00	39	4.4%
9:00	41	4.6%
10:00	44	5.0%
11:00	45	5.1%
12:00	51	5.7%
13:00	59	6.7%
14:00	46	5.2%
15:00	57	6.4%
16:00	53	6.0%

<u>Alarm Time</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
17:00	51	5.7%
18:00	48	5.4%
19:00	42	4.7%
20:00	54	6.1%
21:00	42	4.7%
22:00	38	4.3%
23:00	38	4.3%
Totals	880	

EMS Transportation Destinations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
St. Luke East - Ft. Thomas	374	41.8%
St. Elizabeth South - Edgewood	232	25.9%
No Transportation	228	25.5%
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	21	2.3%
University Hospital Cincinnati	17	1.9%
Christ Hospital – Cincinnati	8	0.8%
St. Luke West	7	0.7%
Landing Zone – U.C. AirCare	3	0.3%
Good Samaritan – Cincinnati	2	0.2%
Mercy Hospital – Anderson	1	0.1%
Veterans Hospital – Cincinnati	1	0.1%
Totals	894	

EMS Transportation Times:

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Average Transport Time</u>
St. Luke East - Ft. Thomas	371	16:03
University Hospital - Cincinnati	16	18:38
Christ Hospital - Cincinnati	8	23:08
St. Elizabeth South - Edgewood	231	20:43
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	21	22:54
Cincinnati Veterans Hospital	1	27:00
Mercy Hospital - Anderson	1	24:00
St. Luke West - Florence	7	25:51
Cincinnati Good Samaritan	2	25:30
Landing Zone-U.C. AirCare	3	17:40

EMS Personnel Responses:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Michela Abeln	25
Amanda Ash***	4
Heidi Baker	3
Sean Bartlett	10
Steve Bohrer	13
Nikki Carson	66
Jim Cicarella***	15
Sandy Decker	34
Annie Dischar	0
Tim Ford	41
Amy Gray	5
Keith Hammann	168
James Hauenstein	3
Danny Hildebrand	13
George Hundemer	1
Scott Ifcic	162
Matthew Julian	162
Bud Lederer	0
Adam Mardis***	89
Joana Mueller***	3
Jeremy Nall	3
Andrew Nauman	6
Victor Palumbo	9
James Pape	85
Steve Pasley	5
Jeff Pohlman	1
Michael Pohlman	27
Jessica Racke	2
Larry Record	217
Mel Sands	225
Paul Schaber	0
John Seitz	6
Tammy Seitz	1
Mike Sheanshang	60
Phillip Tarvin	145
David Weghorn***	37
Jason Weghorn	115
Shana Weghorn	8

EMS Observer Program:

In calendar year 2008, 3 EMS Observers participated in a “ride-along” programmed offered by the Fire District. These are usually citizens that may be interested in becoming an EMT with the department, are currently an EMT student enrolled in a local class, or already a current member of the Fire District. Kris Seitz, Chris Wuertz, Rickey Mays and Colton Sharp are currently members

of the Fire District who observe. Brittany Wagner and Kris Seitz are currently enrolled in an EMT class and are projected to finish in March of 2009. Danny Hildebrand, Michela Abeln, Frank Santee, Amy Gray, Sean Bartlett and Jeremy Nall are Fire District members who completed EMT training or were certified in 2008.

EMS Observers

<u>Name</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Ricky Mays	4
Nathan Noguerras***	2
Chris Wuertz	8

Training:

The Fire District is required by the Kentucky State Fire Commission to maintain 75% staffing of certified fire fighters.

The State Fire Commission requires volunteer members to be certified at Level 2 (150 hours) within 2 years of beginning the fire service career.

Volunteers are required to maintain a minimum of 36 hours of training annually as prescribed in the policy manual. The State Fire Commission requires career members to be certified at Level 3 (400 hours) within one year of beginning employment. Career members are required to maintain a minimum of 100 hours training annually.

Some of the in-house training Fire District personnel received in 2008 included Hazardous Materials Operations Class, Vehicle Extrication to include large vehicles and buses, Confined Space Training, Large Animal Rescue Class, pump operations, ladder training, hose lays, Incident Command Classes, Wildland Firefighting, and EMS classes.

Recruit members entering the department must successfully complete a recruit program consisting of over 120 hours of basic training. The training assists the member in the 150 hour State Fire Commission required training for volunteer status. Emergency Medical Technicians must successfully complete a training program that consists of over 125 hours of classroom instruction, at least four written and practical exams, and a written and practical exam for certification. Members who are presently certified as an EMT must maintain 26 hours of training every two years to maintain their certifications. EMT's in our Fire District are also combi-tube trained, epi-pen trained, CPR trained to include the AED. There is currently a combined class with Fire District #1 and the Fire District members attending are Kris Seitz and Brittany Wagner.

There are currently 21 Level 3 fire fighters (400 hours) and 10 Level 2 fire fighters (150 hours). There are 26 active EMT's and 4 active Paramedics. There are 6 members certified to teach CPR/AED training.

Personnel Fire Certifications

<u>Certification</u>	<u>Number Personnel Certified</u>
400 Hour Level Certified	21
150 Hour Level Certified	10
20 Hour Recruit Level	13
Firefighter Rescue Certified	21
Firefighter Survival Certified	22
Haz-Mat Technician Level	2
Haz-Mat Operations Level	15
Haz-Mat Awareness Level	0
IFSAC Haz-Mat Awareness	11
IFSAC Haz-Mat Operations	11
IFSAC Haz-Mat Technician	1
IFSAC Firefighter I Level	11
IFSAC Firefighter II Level	11
IFSAC Incident Command	1
Kentucky Certified Fire Inspector	13
NIMS 100 Level	16
NIMS 200 Level	12
NIMS 300 Level	11
NIMS 400 Level	2
NIMS 700 Level	30
NIMS 800 Level	10
Kentucky Level I Fire Instructor	9
Kentucky Level II Fire Instructor	7
NFPA 1403 Certified	8
NFA ICS	14
IFSTA Instructor I	2
NFA Safety	22
Confined Space Operations	26
Confined Space Awareness	14

EMS Certifications

<u>Certifications</u>	<u>Number Personnel Certified</u>
Emergency Medical Technicians	26
National Registered EMT's	16
Paramedics	4
Combitube Certification	26
CPR	42
CPR Instructors	6
CPR Instructor Certified Trainer	1
Epi Pen Certification	26
Glucometer Certification	26
Nebulizer Certification	26
SAED Certification	26
ACLS Certification	4

Personnel Training Hours

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fire Training Hours</u>	<u>EMS Training Hours</u>	<u>Total Training Hours</u>
Chief Jeff Pohlman	176	7	183
Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch	158	0	158
Assistant Chief Mark Rauch	126	0	126
Major Bud Lederer	152	9	161
Captain Dennis Rauch	35	0	35
Captain Paul Ampfer	66	0	66
Captain Tim Ford	270	10	280
Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand	188	4	192
Lieutenant John Seitz	381	10	391
Lieutenant Matt Reed	126	3	129
Michela Abeln	19	19.5	38.5
Amanda Ash***	49.5	4	53.5
Heidi Baker	0	4	4
Sean Bartlett	119	0	119
Steve Bohrer	29.5	9	38.5
Joe Britton	119	3	122
Justin Britton	146	7	153
Jason Bruener***	9	0	9
Jonathan Burt	154	3	157
Nikki Carson	28.5	30.5	59
Jim Ciccarella	45	4	49
Josh Cummins	141	7	149
Sandy Decker	14	66.5	80.5
Annie Dischar	6	0	6
Eric Fleckinger	106.5	4	110.5
Matthew Glenn	11.5	0	11.5
Amy Gray	66	9	75
Keith Hammann	251	13	264
Jimmy Hauenstein	208	3	211
Danny Hildebrand	273	8	281
George Hundemer	100	5	105
Scott Ifcic	159.75	116	275.75
Matthew Julian	185.5	52.5	238
Melissa Lewis	75.5	4.5	80
Adam Mardis***	89	5	94
Ricky Mays	86	0	86
Elijah Meyer	45.5	2	47.5
Steve Minshall	71	3	74
Joanna Mueller***	6	7	13
William Mueller***	22	0	22
Jeremy Nall	39	7.5	46.5

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fire Training Hours</u>	<u>EMS Training Hours</u>	<u>Total Training Hours</u>
Andrew Nauman	117.5	8.5	126
Josh Nelson	41	0	41
Robert Newman	45	0	45
Nathan Nogueras***	45	0	45
Brad Oeffler	85	0	85
Kevin Orth***	3	0	3
Victor Palumbo	8	4	12
James Pape	151	10	161
Steve Pasley	5	2	7
Travis Piccirillo***	2	0	2
Michael Pohlman***	79	0	79
Chris Pratt	77	2	79
Travis Rauch	115.5	1	116.5
Larry Record	325.5	23.5	349
Mel Sands	190	12	202
Frank Santee	220	12	232
Paul Schaber	14	3	17
Dan Schmidt	44.5	0	44.5
Meredith Schweitzer	20.5	0	20.5
Kris Seitz	266	12	268
Tammy Seitz	14.5	13.5	27.5
Colton Sharp	206	12	218
Mike Sheanshang	119.5	19.5	139
Bill Steffen	99	3	102
Dwayne Strickland***	19	0	19
Phil Tarvin	219	7	226
Heather Torline	0	1	1
Courtney Turenne	70	1	71
Marc Twehues***	0	0	0
Brittany Wagner	165	1	166
David Weghorn***	91.5	9	70.5
Jason Weghorn	287	5	292
Shana Weghorn	3	20.5	23.5
Eric Wind	49	0	49
Chris Wuertz	110	10	120
Totals	6464	311	6775

*** No longer with District

Life Safety Inspections:

There were 121 fire/life safety inspections plus re-inspections of businesses, daycares, and schools during 2008. The Kentucky Fire Marshall Office inspects schools, daycares, and businesses with State licenses with our department's assistance. Pre-plan information/building drawings is also attained

during these inspections and placed in the Firehouse database. The total number of certified Fire Inspectors for the Fire District is 13.

Inspections

<u>Name</u>	<u>Number</u>
Captain Tim Ford	34
Keith Hammann	23
Adam Mardis	3
James Pape	5
Larry Record	11
Mel Sands	29
Jason Weghorn	9
Unknown	7
Total	121

Inspection 8 Year History

<u>Year</u>	<u>Inspections</u>
2001	175
2002	No Report
2003	101
2004	364
2005	464
2006	533
2007	415*
2008	121

Engine Companies



Engine 101

1993 Sutphen Custom Pumper

8 Man Cab
1500 GPM Hale Pump
750-Gallon Tank
1500' 5 inch hose
1150' 3 inch hose
1050' 1 3/4" Hi-Combat Attack Line

Engine 102

2002 Sutphen Custom Pumper

6 Man Cab
1500 GPM Hale Pump
1000 Gallon Tank
1500' 5 inch hose
1000' 3 inch hose
800' 1 3/4" Hi-Combat Attack Line
Amkus Hydraulic Rescue Tool
Light Tower



Truck Company



Truck 110

1994 Sutphen 75' Quint

6 Man Cab

1500 GPM Hale Pump

300 Gallon Tank

1100' 5 inch hose

600' 3 inch hose

500' 1 3/4" Hi-Combat Attack Hose

200' 1 1/2" Angus Attack Hose

Heavy Rescue Company

Rescue 120

1989 Ranger Rescue

6 Man Cab

Full Compliment of Amkus

Hyd. Rescue Tools

High Angle Rescue Equipment

Full Compliment of Hand Tools



EMS Vehicles

Squad 171

1997 International Road Rescue
Type I Ambulance



Squad 172

2005 Horton

Type I Ambulance



Car 150

Chief's Vehicle

Mobile Command Post



Car 151

Deputy Chief's Vehicle

Mobile Command Post



Unit 131

2008 Polaris

All-Terrain Vehicle

100-Gallon Water Tank

5-Gallon Foam Tank

Fire Pump

Hose

Patient Carrier



Unit 135

2008 Chevrolet Silverado

Utility Pick Up Truck

No Picture Available for Unit 136 – Foam Trailer with 75/5 gallons Buckets of Foam and Nozzles

Supportive Staff:

District Attorney: James Daley

District Accountant: Dawn Hayes

Where Do We Go From Here?

As the Fire District moves into 2009, there are many projects and goals yet to be accomplished. With the new Eastern Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant now in operation, the floodgates for construction in the Fire District have opened. Approximately 2,000 housing units have been approved. Commercial projects are operating include the Super Wal-Mart, Walgreen's, Arby's, Sonic and other commercial buildings planned for the spring of 2009 include United Dairy Farmers and Speedway Gas Station.

The Fire District continues their endeavors with the Northern Kentucky Technical Rescue Team. Members will continue to enhance their skills with large vehicle rescue, technical rescues and confined space.

The expected delivery of the new rescue truck is February 2009. The new truck will have new equipment to include a hydraulic tool system that will operate six hydraulic tools at one time, a compressed foam system, a camera attached to the light tower mast with recording capabilities in the command center, technical rescue equipment, cascade air system with a booster pump, to name a few of the tools and equipment.

The second major step the Fire District is undertaking is the taking over of Advanced Life Support from TransCare. The Fire District is taking the lead by hiring six paramedics, placing one chase car in Alexandria and one chase car in Wilder. These two units will cover Alexandria, Fire District #1 (Eastern Campbell, Camp Springs, Silver Grove), Melbourne Fire District, Southgate FD and Wilder FD. Early in 2009 a new life squad committee will be established.

The Fire District will continue take an active role in recruiting volunteer fire and EMS members along with recruiting Explorers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Fire Board of Trustees for their continued support of the Fire/EMS members. Without such support, the much-needed equipment could not be purchased and programs would go unanswered.

I would like to thank all the members of the Fire District, both career and volunteer, fire and EMS, and Explorers. Without your dedication, pride, and hard work, fire and EMS responses would go unanswered, training would be nonexistent, and the many public relations activities would not be completed. I can have all of the greatest ideas in the world, but without your support, they would never become a reality. This place is not about you and me but the service that is provided to protect the citizens and visitors of the Fire District.

There are many goals to accomplish in the upcoming years in the Fire District. We are growing and will continue to grow. It is imperative that we are ready. Readiness includes taking training serious and being the best we can be. I am looking forward to the task and I hope I can count on the outstanding members of the Alexandria Fire District.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey H. Pohlman
Fire/EMS Chief