



UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report

August 2022

The University Heights Fire Department must always be vigilant and alert to its mission to fight fires, save lives and property, and be prepared to respond to any emergency.

Employee Spotlight



Lieutenant Christopher Calo has been with UHFD for 27+ years. Recently, Lt. Calo had the opportunity to share the experience of working in the fire service field with his son, Paul, when his son joined him for the day to complete a ride along.

Paul, is a junior at Twinsburg High School and is enrolled in the vocational fire/ems program at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center. He is also active in the explorer post at the Twinsburg Fire Department. He is hoping to pursue a career in fire and EMS.

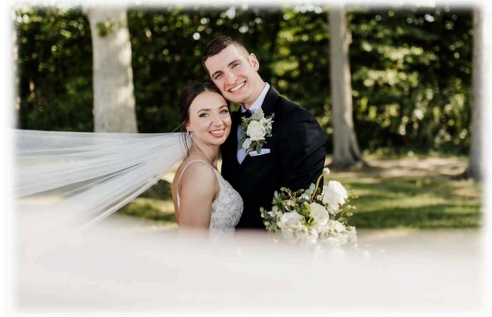
We wish Paul all the luck in his future fire and EMS career!

I DO!

FF Bachmann ties the knot!

On July 22, 2022, Firefighter Connor Bachmann and wife, Tamara, tied the knot in a beautiful ceremony.

Congratulations Connor & Tamara!



WORK ANNIVERSARIES



Firefighter Eric Lewis
6 Years of Dedicated Service



Firefighter David Nees
3 Years of Dedicated Service



Firefighter Cory DesRochers
3 Years of Dedicated Service



Firefighter Mike Mickovic
3 Years of Dedicated Service





DEPARTMENT STATISTICS


Incidents by Service Type

Types of Calls	August 2022	August 2021	Year to Date (2022)	Year to Date (2021)	Percent Increase
FIRE/RESCUE	103	85	609	494	23.3%
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	101	112	882	873	1.03%
PUBLIC SERVICE	24	30	165	160	3.1%
TOTAL INCIDENTS	228	227	1,656	1,527	8.5%

Mutual/Auto Aid Incidents

Types of Aid	August 2022	August 2021	Year to Date (2022)	Year to Date (2021)
AID GIVEN	63	20	356	249
AID RECEIVED	18	20	134	125
TOTAL INCIDENTS	81	40	490	374

Average Response Times

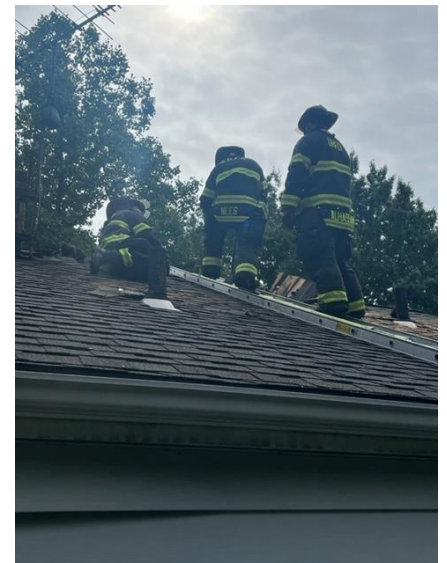
	August 2022	August 2021	Year to Date (2022)	Year to Date (2021)
	3:55	4:04	4:02	4:05

<i>Overlapping Calls</i>	August 2022	August 2021	Year to Date (2022)	Year to Date (2021)
	67	64	392	278

Property Valued Saved/Loss for August 2022

TOTAL POTENTIAL PROPERTY LOSS	\$9,5000.00
TOTAL PROPERTY LOSS (FIRE)	\$4,500.00
TOTAL PROPERTY SAVED (FIRE)	\$5,000.00

<i>Monthly Training Hours</i>	August 2022	Year to Date (2022)
	841 hours	6,771 hours



SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT RESPONSES

- August 1st – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a multi-family residential structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
- August 6th – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a residential structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
- August 6th – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a residential structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
- August 7th – Structure Fire. All UHFD units responded for a reported fire in a detached structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
- August 9th – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a residential structure with victim trapped. Fire extinguished, victim transported by EMS to hospital.
- August 13th – Technical Rescue. East Tech Rescue Team responded for a reported victim trapped approximately 80 feet up shale cliff. Victim rescued with no injuries.
- August 13th – Cardiac Arrest (infant). All units responded for a reported infant not breathing and pulseless. ACLS protocol initiated and patient had return of pulse prior to ED arrival.
- August 18th – MVA. Motor vehicle vs. Pedestrian. All UHFD units responded for a reported pedestrian struck by vehicle. Patient evaluated by EMS and refused transport.
- August 21st – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a multi-family residential structure with victim trapped. Fire extinguished, victim self-rescued and no injuries reported.
- August 22nd – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a multi-family residential structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
- August 24th – Gas Leak. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported natural gas line struck by construction workers. Leak quickly located and isolated, no cause for evacuation.
- August 28th – Structure Fire. TL1121 & C1153 responded for a reported fire in a residential structure. Fire extinguished with no injuries.
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- August 31st – Technical Rescue. East Tech Rescue Team responded for a reported vehicle into a commercial building. Structure shored and vehicle removed.



Excellence through TRAINING

Fire & Rescue Training

Company Training

Regional Training:

South Euclid Fire Department conducted regional training at a vacant home slated for demolition. Fire ground operation skills were conducted throughout the month of August.

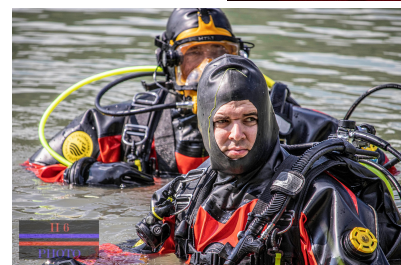
Blue Card Incident Command/Officer Recertification:

Continuing education was completed to satisfy requirements for the Fire Officer Incident Command certification.



East Tech Training

August 16-18th UHFD technical rescue team members participated in rope rescue and confined space training at Lakeview Cemetery Dam.



EMS Training

Monthly EMS Topic - Sports Injuries

EMS Protocol Treatment and Transport Review
Provided by our Medical Control Provider, University Hospitals

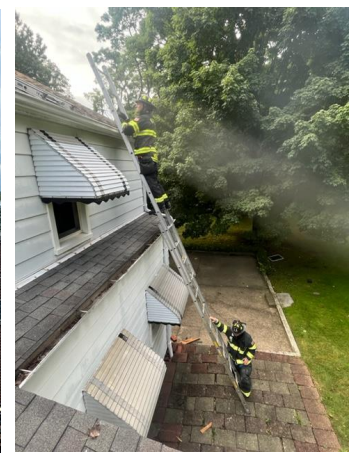
Wellness Training

Monthly Wellness Topic - Neuromotor

Neuromotor health is critical for optimal performance. Neuromotor disorders affect muscle tone, movement, posture, and gross/fine motor skills. Neuromotor exercise training improves and maintains good physical health.

FEMA Grant Rescue Training

UHFD was awarded a FEMA Grant in FY2019, submitted by Exec. Captain Boylan, in the amount of \$127,140.00 to send firefighters through advanced technical rescue disciplines. These disciplines included Rope Rescue, Confined Space Rescue, Structural Collapse, Man-In Machine/Extrication and Swift Water Rescue training.



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

COMMUNITY & RISK REDUCTION

The Fire Prevention Bureau of University Heights Fire Department is dedicated to preventing fire through public education activities, through fire inspections, active code enforcement comprehensive fire investigations, engineering and plan reviews. Thus, improving the quality of life for the communities that we serve. We professionally strive to create a progressive and safe environment that benefits all. Accomplished, by utilizing highly motivated and trained personnel who understand the importance of customer service and fire safety education. The best way to protect life and property from fire is to prevent fires from occurring in the first place.



Significant Projects

- JCU Dolan Science Center Renovation Project
- JCU Dolan Hall & Pacelli Hall Renovation Project
- JCU Schott Dining Hall Renovation Project
- JCU Field House Pre-Construction Meeting



Community Engagement

BLOCK PARTY	5
CAR SEAT INSTALLATION	3
COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH	4
STATION TOURS	2
HOME FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION	5
STUDENT/INTERN RIDER	1
OTHER	11



FPB Inspections

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS	23
REFERRAL/CONSULTATIONS	11
FOOD TRUCK INSPECTIONS	1
REINSPECTIONS	6
THIRD INSPECTIONS	3
FOURTH INSPECTIONS	0
SPRINKLER TESTS	2
FIRE ACCEPTANCE TEST	1
HOOD & DUCT INSPECTIONS	2
SITE INSPECTIONS	3



Fire Investigation

- Hillcrest-Heights Regional Fire Investigation Unit had no significant calls during August 2022.
- There was one incident in August that was referred to members of the Juvenile Firesetter Program.



Fire Education

- Provided fire extinguisher training to 25 staff members of JCU
- Provided fire extinguisher training to 50 resident assistants of JCU

HOW TO USE EXTINGUISHER



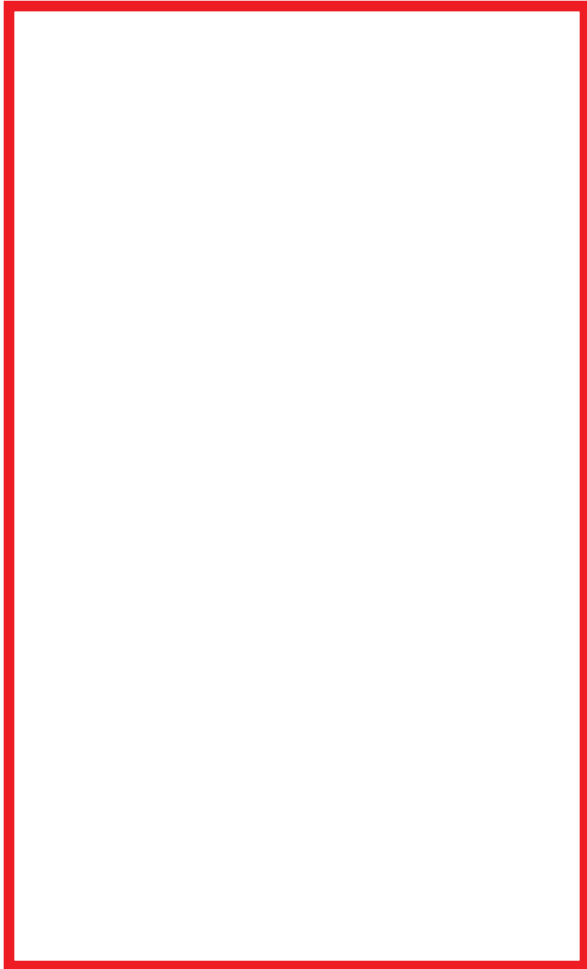


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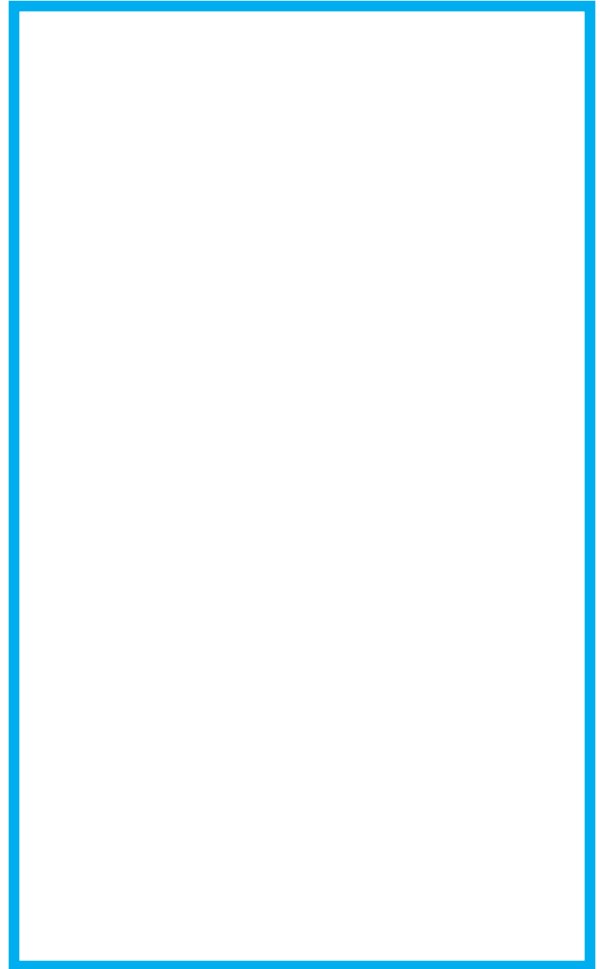
There are things in your home that are hot or can get hot. Stay away from hot things, they can hurt you.

Directions: Cut and sort the pictures in the correct column.

HOT



NOT HOT



Shabbat Fire Safety



Shabbat, a centerpiece of Jewish life, is observed every week by families throughout the world. The day of rest and celebration requires preplanning. Fire safety should be an important element of the preparation.

Smoke Alarms

- It is important to install smoke alarms on every level of the home, inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and in the basement.
- For the best protection, the smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one smoke alarm sounds they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old. Look on the back of your smoke alarms for the date; if it is 10 years old replace right away.

Escape Planning

- Make a home escape plan with your family that includes two ways out of every room.
- Have an outside meeting place a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet in case of emergency.
- Practice your home fire drill twice a year, at night and during the day with everyone in your home.
- If the smoke alarm sounds, family members should get outside and stay outside. Call 9-1-1 from outside the home. On Shabbat, a neighbor could be approached to call 9-1-1 once everyone is safely outside.

Food Warming

- When warming food, use a device such as a slow cooker or a cooktop or range with a Shabbat mode and a blech. These devices are designed for long-term warming.
- Make sure your warming device has the label of an independent testing laboratory.
- Keep anything that can burn away from these heat sources, such as curtains, towels, paper and pets.

Candles

Candles should be placed in a sturdy candle holder. If a candle must burn continuously, be sure it is enclosed in a glass container and placed in a sink on a metal tray. The candle can also be placed in a deep basin filled with water.

Home Fire Sprinkler SMARTS

If you are building or remodeling your home, consider installing a home fire sprinkler system.

Home fire sprinklers can suppress and often extinguish a fire before the fire department arrives, giving your family time to escape.

Many insurance companies offer a discount for homes with a fire sprinkler system.

Home fire sprinklers respond only to significant heat, not smoke. During most fires, only a single sprinkler head activates.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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IN HONOR:

September 11th Memorial Ceremony

Honoring those that made the supreme sacrifice 21 years ago. Never forget.



In their own words:

The members of the University Heights Fire Department are dedicated to serving the members of the community. We often receive notes or pictures of gratitude from members of the community. This picture was recently received by a member of our community:



FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

OCTOBER 9, 2022

11:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.



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GET TO KNOW US!

Community Risk Reduction is a crucial function of the University Heights Fire Department. Our Fire Prevention Bureau manages the following programs:

- *CPR Training*
- *Home Safety Inspection*
- *Smoke Detector Installation*
- *Car Seat Installation*
- *Lock Box Installation*
- *Fire House Open House*
- *Extinguisher Training*
- *Blood Pressure & Health Screenings*
- *Block Parties*
- *Station Tours*
- *Safety Talks*



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