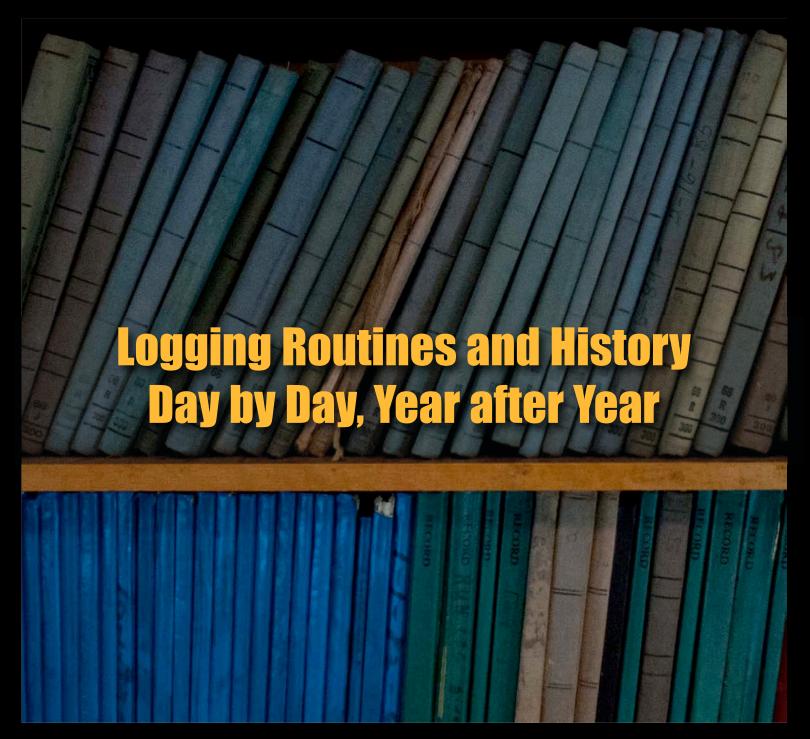
# September 2012



Inside: Separating Emotion from Logic • Volunteer Firefighter of the Year



### DEAR FELLOW FIREFIGHTERS

More than 100 people attended last month's town hall meeting at FSCJ's Kent Campus about Fire Station 14.

Council Member Jim Love, whose district includes I4's territory, organized the meeting so his constituents and anyone interested could get the facts about the concept of replacing Engine I4 with a rescue unit. My role for the evening was presenting the rationale behind the concept and then, most importantly, listening to the citizens' concerns and answering their questions.

I first reassured the citizens that no decisions had been made about Station I4. Then I encouraged everyone in the audience to make his or her best effort to listen to the logic of operating a rescue unit at I4. I also asked them to separate their emotions from that logic. Making the distinction would help them understand the details I needed to share, especially the data pertaining to EMS calls and improving rescue response times by as much as three minutes in I4's territory.

At least 20 people asked questions or voiced their concerns. When the meeting concluded, two facts were crystal clear. First, the citizens are passionate about Station I4 and the protection we provide. Second, not all of them support replacing Engine I4 with a rescue unit, despite the fact that EMS is the overwhelming majority of JFRD's business.

Numerous JFRD members also attended off duty, and some of them spoke in support of keeping the engine. I shared publicly how much I appreciated their presence, their passion for Engine I4, and for caring about the department.

As of this writing, I haven't made any decisions about Station 14, but our department will continue to evolve to best meet demands for service. Alongside my Division Chiefs, I have to implement the most effective plan within a variety of constraints in the upcoming fiscal year and beyond. These plans and operational decisions will include logic based on thorough analysis. That is my promise to you, to the citizens we serve and to our elected officials.

Some of the changes may not be popular, which can trigger a variety of emotions. As our department is forced to adapt, please consider the logic of operational changes and the budgetary factors behind them. And please make an honest effort to separate your emotions from that logic.

I am also interested in hearing your ideas for improving how we deliver services and how we can become more efficient. You may e-mail your ideas to me, or better yet, present them for discussion during the next round of Ask the Fire Chief sessions that I will schedule this fall.

Sincerely,

Marty Senterfitt
Director/Fire Chief

#### On the Cover:

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Station 12 is one of numerous fire stations with Log Books and Run Books dating back several decades. Handwritten Log Books have recently been reinstated for officers in charge of suppression and rescue apparatus. Sometimes, the daily entries take on historical value and make for interesting reading. Story, page. 4.

ON SCENE



### **Little Box**

# Big Flag

(Above) Ladder I and Ladder 30 prepare to raise the United States flag outside EverBank Field as part of a Sept. II commemoration event. (L-R) Ladder I's Eng. Gordon Owenby and Capt. Andy Reagor, Ladder 30's Lt. Brian Crolley, Ladder I's Firefighter Arthur Gray, Ladder 30's Firefighter Darrold McArthur and Ladder I's Eng. Ted Blackwell.

(Left Photo) Moments after arriving at EverBank Field, Mayor Alvin Brown (center) joined the ladder crews as they hoisted the 20 x 35-feet flag into position on the stadium's eastside. In addition to Mayor Brown, Director/Fire Chief Marty Senterfitt and Sheriff John Rutherford spoke at the event.

SEPTEMBER 2012

# **Log Books Present History and More in Brief**

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Fire @ LEE High School !

Retired Lt. Mark Aderhold (Engine 10) was brief in describing the Nov. 24, 1986 three-alarm fire at Lee High School. The call came in around 5 a.m. the Monday before Thanksgiving. The fire destroyed the library, numerous classrooms and caused more than \$4 million in damages. Students didn't return to classes until the following week.

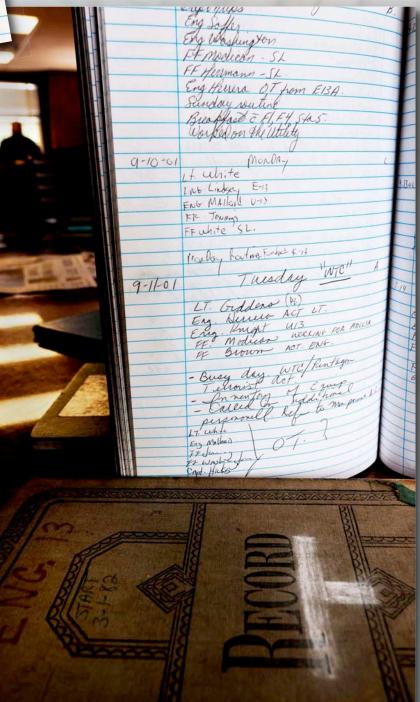
### Many of JFRD's officers have been wonderful historians, though they probably never realized it.

Over the years, as Lieutenants and Captains recorded their daily entries into log books, they filled the pages with brief descriptions of their shifts' activities, significant calls, and other practical details.

Whether it's the writing style, a memorable run or the nuances of leadership and station life, the details can make for interesting reading. For example, there was the entry about the firefighter who preferred to lie down in the back of the engine cab after a run. The officer's concise words made it clear to the entire crew that trying to nap while returning to the station was unacceptable. Then there was the "DIRECT ORDER!!!" to wash towels used outside the station separately from those used inside. Turn back the calendar far enough, and you'll find entries about mildewed hose that was cleaned and dried in sunlight.

Some entries are truly historical, though very simple. "Fire at Lee High School!" "Roosevelt Hotel Gen. Alarm" "Busy day. WTC/Pentagon" "Reported to Garage Collapse."

As of August, apparatus log books are once again part of an officer's daily routine. There are requirements as defined by Instructional Bulletin #12-29, but the daily entries are also an opportunity to participate in recording the history of your career, your crew and the department.



Engine 13's entries from Sept. 10 and 11, 2001. Tuesday's terrorist attacks would trigger the formation of JFRD's Urban Search and Rescue team.

Reminders from this century and last on the proper use and care of station towels.

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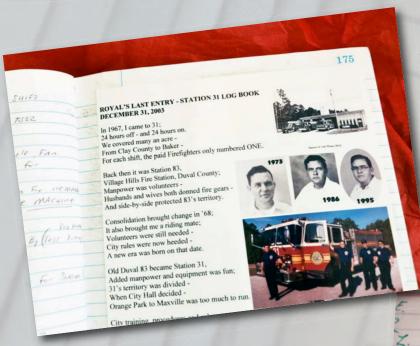
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When Eng. Harvey Royal retired from Station 31 in December 2003, he penned an eight-verse poem and pasted it into the log book alongside several photos. In the first verse, Royal references the department's 1967 schedule as 24-on, 24-off.

The older record books contained more than just runs and daily routines. A June 1959 entry in one of Station 4's logs shows the salaries of various crew members. Do the math and you'll determine that the Captain's annual gross pay was just under \$5,800. The money was different back then and so were the titles. Engineers were known as "Chauffeurs" and Firefighters were "Privates."

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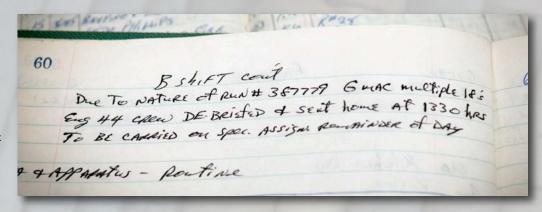
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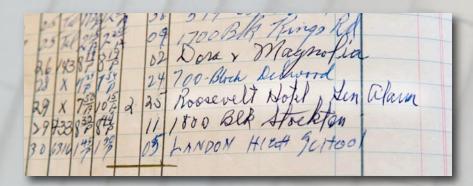
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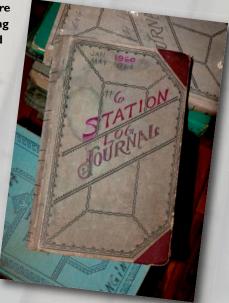
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On June 18, 1990, Engine 44 was among the numerous crews that responded to a gruesome scene at the Baymeadows location of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation. A gunman killed eight employees and wounded six more before killing himself.



Engine 6's entry for the Roosevelt Hotel fire on Dec. 29, 1963 doesn't reveal that there were 22 fatalities, including Assistant Fire Chief James Romedy (cardiac arrest), giving the fire the dubious distinction as Jacksonville's largest loss of life in one day. Located on Adams Street, the building is now The Carling apartments. Station 6 opened on Florida Avenue in the early 1900s and served the city's Eastside until the late 1980s when Engine 6 moved to new Station I on Liberty Street.





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JFRD's response to the Berkman Plaza II garage collapse in 2007 lasted for nearly 60 hours. From predawn December 6 until mid-afternoon December 8, the USAR team searched for and eventually extricated the remains of the only missing worker who was part of a crew pouring concrete on the garage's sixth level when the Bay Street structure pancaked.

## CALL VOLUMES August 2012

RESCUE	R58190	E25	E143	BRUSH TRUCKS
R28371	R84 (peak time)189	E32	E48 61	BR4275
R4357	R59180	E27	HAZ759	BR4355
RI350	R50174	E4	E56	MARINE UNITS
R30349	R70 (peak time)169	E13	E46	M317
R5340	R23168	E34	AIR5	MI12
R31339	R85 (peak time)165	E17	HAZ2139	FIELD CHIEFS
R7337	R86 (peak time)164	E5	HR426	F3 153
R36334	R80 (peak time)147	E42	E40	F4
R2325	R82 (peak time)146	E7	E45 6	F2
R22322	R87 (peak time)131	E2	LADDERS	F5
R17308	R81 (peak time)129	E59 197	L28	F9
R21308	R49128	E135 196	L30	F7
R13303	ENGINES	E154 192	TL21172	R10381
R15301	E28	E57 182	L31151	F6
R20292	E31	E150 177	L44	R104
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R34281	E22	E58 166	L10	F8
R32280	E30 317	E12162	L34 100	<b>PLANS REVIEW</b>
R52253	E18311	E55 159	L26	Plans Reviewed .467
R35248	E21308	E14132	L4	
R51248	E36	EII130	TL982	AUGUST TOTALS
R25242	E152	E41	TANKERS (Top 5)	EMS 8,701
R27234	E20	E33 124	T5277	FIRE
R54227	E9	E29 122	T2865	NON EMR333
R57227	E10	E23	T4264	<b>Total:</b> 10,481
R42203	E44	E16	T3135	
R7I196	E24	E49	T3435	
R55192	E51	E53	T5735	

# FSFA Honors JFRD Volunteer Firefighter



A JFRD volunteer firefighter who has also served as a commander at Naval Station Mayport has been named 2012's Volunteer Firefighter of the Year by the Florida State Firefighters' Association (FSFA).

Since he was a teenager, U.S. Navy Capt. **Douglas J.Ten Hoopen** has volunteered

for numerous fire and rescue departments, including New York and the cities where his naval career took him. As commander of a helicopter squadron at Mayport, Ten Hoopen volunteered at JFRD's Station 55 in nearby Atlantic Beach. His enduring commitment to the fire service is why FSFA hon-

ored Ten Hoopen as its Volunteer Firefighter of the Year, according to John Knoll, FSFA second vice president and chief of the Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Department.

A 1987 graduate of the Naval Academy, Ten Hoopen has served with JFRD since 1997 and as president of JFRD's Volunteer Association for three years, according to JFRD Volunteer Coordinator Lt. **Don Hinson**. A recent change of command at Mayport relocated Ten Hoopen to Washington D.C. to prepare him for overseas duty with the U.S. Embassy in Madrid, Spain. Volunteer firefighter Bryan Smith is the new president of JFRD's Volunteer Association