

## Southern Paramedic Service

# Quarterly NEWS

## The team to count on when life is on the line.



Gary Padget, CEO

CEO's Message: Recognizing our EMT Program



As well as many of you might know, Southern Paramedic, have been conducting EMT classes in different locations in our service area. Well, I would like to congratulate our lead instructor William Tremaine that taught our last EMT class that was held at the Ward Fire Department. The EMT class ran from December 4, 2021 until January 30, 2022. There was a total of 7 Southern EMT students, and 2 firefighters from the Southern service area. The class was held on Saturdays and Sundays, with a mid-week Zoom class. As of today, 6 of the 7 students have taken, and passed, their National Registry test. 2 we're unsuccessful, and 1 has not yet tested. The remaining three will be testing, or retesting in the very near future, and we are anticipating their success. There will be a new EMT class starting May 7, 2022, and the students will be graduating June 19, 2022.

Again, I am proud of the success of our EMT Program. Congratulations to the students of the latest class!!





One of our employees Trina Felts – EMT at our Stuttgart location is currently in Paramedic School at Southeast Arkansas College (SEARK) in Pine Bluff and has made the Fall 2021 President's list. Students named to the President's list must have completed at least twelve or more semester hours (applicable to a degree) during a fall or spring term of enrollment and earned a grade point average of 4.0 for the semester. CONGRATULATIONS TRINA!!!!



## Post by Wynne Fire Department

Shortly before 8:30 this morning E1, E3, and T1 were dispatched to a fire in a quadplex on Kelly Dr. E1 arrived on scene to heavy fire conditions in the end apartment. Firefighters deployed a 1 3/4 smooth bore attack line into the apartment, due to an aggressive interior attack on the fire. The fire damage was contained to one apartment. The fire department operated on this fire for approximately 1 1/2 hours. A big thanks to Southern Paramedic for coming and standing by and also Wynne Police Department. Please pray for this family, they lost most of their belongings and their pets.

The tornadoes that recently devastated parts of the South and Midwest are a stark reminder of just how deadly and destructive these storms can be.

One reason tornadoes are so dangerous is that there's no "tornado season." They may be more common in the spring, but they can occur at any time of year and in places far removed from Tomado Alley. Moreover, they develop quickly and behave erratically, leaving little time for people to react and take shelter. Knowing what to do before a tornado hits can save you precious time.

#### Here are 10 tips on how to stay safe during a tornado.

- 1. Pay Attention to Warnings
- 2. Move to a Safe Room, Basement or Storm Shelter Quickly
- 3. Crouch Low to the Ground
- 4. Get Under Something Sturdy 5. Monitor Storm Alerts
- 6. Do Not Stay in a Mobile Home 7. Go Inside - If there isn't suitable shelter, or there isn't enough time to get to it, then go to the lowest ground you can find and lay flat with your hands over your head. Do your best to move away from cars or trees.
- 8. Don't Try to Outdrive the Tornado
- 9. Avoid Overpasses if Possible
- 10. Prepare an Emergency Disaster Kit



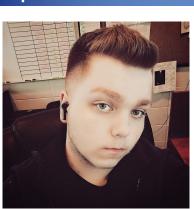
C.B. Partee Elementary School attended Career Day with Brinkley High School, told the kids about the ambulance and let them walk through it. They really enjoyed it.



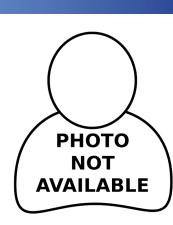




### **Dispatchers of the Month:**



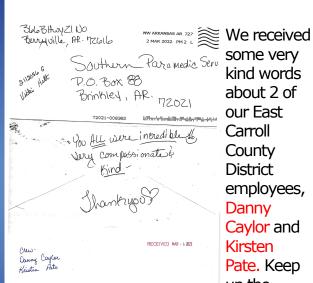
Derik Huckeba - January



Tonie Wilson - March



#### **Great Job Crew!!!**



some very kind words about 2 of our East Carroll County District employees, Danny Caylor and Kirsten Pate. Keep up the **GREAT** Work!!!!

