

MARYLAND EMS AWARDS

The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems will recognize during Emergency Medical Services Week (May 10 - 16, 1992) individuals and/or organizations that have provided outstanding emergency medical care or made contributions that result in the advancement of emergency medical services. The categories and criteria for awards are:

CIVILIAN - CERTIFICATE OF HONOR

Awarded to person(s) who renders service by saving, or attempting to save, person(s) from death or serious injury by accident or sudden illness.

EMS/PUBLIC SAFETY - CERTIFICATE OF HONOR

Awarded to members of the EMS or public safety services who, in the course of providing emergency medical services or rescue operations, intelligently perform acts of extraordinary heroism or bravery in the direct provision of emergency medical care in the saving or attempted saving of the lives of others.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to members of the EMS community who render services of unusual intelligence, alertness, or skill that result in the solution of an emergency medical service problem, initiation of injury or illness prevention measures, or resolution of an administrative problem.

Award Nomination Forms must be returned to your MIEMSS Regional Office no later than March 30, 1992.

MARYLAND EMS AWARDS NOMINATION FORM - 1992

1. Name of Nominee: _____

2. Address: _____

(P.O. Box or Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Telephone Nos. _____ (H) _____ (W)

4. Level of Training (EMT, CRT, EMT-P, etc.) _____

5. Award Category:

☐ Civilian - Certificate of Honor

☐ EMS/Public Safety - Certificate of Honor

☐ Distinguished Service Award

6. This individual is being nominated for outstanding recognition because:

Please attach additional documentation as needed.

7. Name of person submitting this nomination:

(Print or Type)

8. _____
(Signature)

9. Telephone Nos. _____ (H) _____ (W)

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REGION I

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FAX: 746-8636

REGION II

Mr. Richard Mettetal
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Suite 211
Hagerstown, MD 21740
791-2366
FAX: 791-9231

REGION III

Mr. John Donohue
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21201-1595
328-3996/3997
FAX: 328-2367

REGION IV

Mr. Marc Bramble
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822-1799
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REGION V

Ms. Marie Warner-
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EMS Awards Reception

____ I look forward to attending the
Annual EMS Awards Reception.

____ I will be unable to attend the
Annual EMS Awards Reception.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

*R.S.V.P. with this card or call Mrs. Kathy
Broda at 410-328-5074 no later than
May 8, 1992.*

Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems

Presents this

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

to

The Honorable William Donald Schaefer
Governor, State of Maryland

*For your dedicated support and outstanding
efforts resulting in legislative action that
preserves Maryland's life-saving
Emergency Medical Services System.*

May 14, 1992

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*Director, Shock Trauma Center
Deputy Director, MIEMSS*

Kimball I. Maull, M.D.
Director, MIEMSS

Ameen I. Ramzy, M.D.
*State EMS Director
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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

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The Honorable Thomas V. "Mike" Miller, Jr.
President of the Maryland State Senate

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

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The Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr.
Speaker of the Maryland House of Delegates

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

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The Honorable Laurence Levitan
Chairman, Senate Budget & Taxation Committee

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The Honorable Timothy F. Maloney
Maryland House of Delegates

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The Honorable Charles J. Ryan
Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

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Bernard J. Smith
President, Maryland State Firemen's Assoc.

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Charles W. Riley
Chairman, MSFA Legislative Committee

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**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
AWARD**

to

Lt. Neal E. Abrams

*For your dedication to emergency medical
services and for generously sharing your
skills, time, and enthusiasm with the
Sandy Spring Volunteer Fire Department.*

May 14, 1992

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Presents this

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
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to

Robert T. Adkins, MD

*For support of prehospital care providers
in Region IV and for years of dedicated
service to Maryland's EMS system as the
Region IV Medical Director.*

May 14, 1992

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Stephen M. Ager, EMT-A

*For coordinating the 1991 and 1992 CPR
Awareness Days, when 1602 and 1400
citizens, respectively, were trained, and for
sustained commitment to educating the public
about the life-saving procedure of CPR.*

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Richard Alcorta, MD, FACEP

*For effective leadership within and on
behalf of emergency medical services in
Maryland.*

May 14, 1992

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Director, MIEMSS
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Presents this

CERTIFICATE OF
HONOR

to

Trooper First Class Jeffrey D. Barber

*For taking quick action and making
skillful use of CPR to save the life of
Jennings Rosier.*

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CERTIFICATE OF
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to

Baltimore County Fire Department

*For teamwork and innovations in the
successful rescue of J. David Kates from
total burial in a trench cave-in on
November 7, 1991, in Essex.*

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

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John Barto

*For valuable advice and untiring
dedication toward the establishment of
Advanced Life Support Services on the
mid-Eastern Shore.*

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**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
AWARD**

to

Doris M. Beal, EMT-A

*For dedicated service in raising the funds
needed to provide Hepatitis B vaccine to
the members of the Northern Garrett
County Rescue Squad.*

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CERTIFICATE OF
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W. Newton Carey, Jr., EMT-P

*For bravery and persistence in rescuing a
woman from a burning vehicle, at great
personal risk, in November 1991.*

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Vinson S. Dieterich, EMT-A

*For bravery and effective intervention
that saved the life of a man struck by a
train on August 7, 1991.*

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TFC Charles Eisele, EMT-P

*For skilled and accurate response
that saved the life of a woman with
tension pneumothorax on
September 5, 1991.*

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**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
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Sgt. Denise S. Fox, EMT-P

*For commitment to excellence in
emergency medical services and for
sincere concern for the well-being of the
victims of trauma.*

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to

James "Dingle" Frankenberg, EMT-A

*For sustained dedication to excellence in
prehospital care and for 15 years of
exemplary service to the Mount Savage
Volunteer Fire Department.*

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Presents this

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

to

Frederick County ALS Program

For long-standing dedication in ^{providing} ~~ensuring~~
advanced life support services ~~for the~~ ^{to}
citizens of Frederick County for over
a decade.

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CERTIFICATE OF
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to

Patrick F. Hassler, EMT

*For taking action at the risk of your own
safety to save the life of a car crash victim
on March 22, 1991.*

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CERTIFICATE OF
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to

Russell Hurley, Sr.

*For dedication and skill demonstrated
during the extrication of a man trapped in
a silo in December 1991.*

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**CERTIFICATE OF
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to
Aaron T. Kelly

*For taking quick, responsible action in
dialing 9-1-1 in response to his mother's
emergency.*

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**CERTIFICATE OF
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**to
Linkwood-Salem Volunteer
Fire Company, Inc.**

*For teamwork and skill demonstrated
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William Neal, Jr., NREMT-P

*For commitment to excellence in the
training of EMS personnel at Essex
Community College and for lasting
contributions to emergency medicine in
Maryland.*

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CERTIFICATE OF
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to

FF Patricia L. Powell, EMT-P

*For skilled and accurate response
that saved the life of a woman with
tension pneumothorax on
September 5, 1991*

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Michael S. Pavero, CRT

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**CERTIFICATE OF
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to

Engine Company 461

*For teamwork and ingenuity in rescuing a
woman and child trapped in a crushed car
on May 3, 1991.*

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Rescue Squad 8

*For teamwork and ingenuity in rescuing a
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Rescue Squad 20

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Medic Unit 10

*For teamwork and ingenuity in rescuing a
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Ambulance 59

*For teamwork and ingenuity in rescuing a
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Prince George's County Fire Department

*For teamwork and ingenuity in rescuing a
woman and child trapped in a crushed car
on May 3, 1991.*

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to

FF William Raab, EMT-A

*For heroism and quick action that saved
an infant from a burning building
on April 8, 1992.*

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FF James J. Shields III, EMT-P

*For skilled and accurate response
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FF Dan Stallings, EMT-A

*For heroism and quick action that saved
an infant from a burning building
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FF Daryl Williams, EMT-A

*For heroism and quick action that saved
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Region I

Certificate of Honor

to

Trooper First Class Jeffrey D. Barber

On October 22, 1991, Trooper First Class Barber checked a vehicle that had stopped on Interstate 68 near Cumberland. The driver of the car told Trooper Barber that a passenger, Jennings Rosier, was having difficulty breathing and chest pains. While the trooper was summoning an ambulance, Mr. Rosier stopped breathing. Trooper Barber returned to the car, found that the man had no pulse or respiration, and began CPR. The victim responded but then lost consciousness again. Trooper Barber initiated CPR a second time and revived Mr. Rosier. Shortly thereafter, an ambulance crew from Flintstone Volunteer Fire Company arrived at the scene and then transported the patient, who was conscious and responsive, to Memorial Hospital in Cumberland.

Trooper Barber correctly identified the symptoms of a cardiac arrest and performed life-saving CPR. This Certificate of Honor is presented in recognition of his skill and quick action.

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Region III
Distinguished Service Award
to
William Neal, Jr., NREMT-P

Bill Neal has directed the EMT-Paramedic training program at Essex Community College since 1981. A graduate of the University of Maryland, Mr. Neal served as a field EMS provider in Flagstaff, Arizona, and as an EMS instructor in Prescott, Arizona, from 1976 to 1978. When he returned to Maryland, he joined the MIEMSS Field Operations Staff as Chief of Testing and Certification. He also served as a captain of the Ellicott City Volunteer Fire Department.

Under Mr. Neal's direction, the Paramedic Program at Essex Community College has become known for its quality of training and the excellence of its graduates. Alumni provide high quality prehospital care in many municipalities, and some are Flight Paramedics for the Maryland State Police Aviation Division.

We present this Distinguished Service Award to Bill Neal in recognition of his personal commitment to excellence in the training of EMS personnel and for his lasting contributions to emergency medicine in Maryland.

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Region V
Distinguished Service Award
to

Stephen M. Ager, EMT-A

Firefighter Steve Ager coordinates the By-Stander CPR Training Program for Prince George's County. For the past 5 years, has been the driving force behind the CPR Awareness Day programs held at Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School. CPR Awareness Day is sponsored by the Prince George's County Fire Department, the Prince George's County Public School System, and Doctor's Community Hospital in Lanham.

On April 13, 1991, Mr. Ager coordinated more than 150 CPR instructors and support staff, who trained 1602 citizens in by-stander CPR in an 8-hour period. This was probably the largest single-day CPR training ever conducted in the Baltimore/Washington metropolitan region. This year, on April 11, Mr. Ager again coordinated CPR Awareness Day and 1400 citizens were trained.

Mr. Ager's commitment to training the public in CPR, and his demonstrated ability to do so, make him a deserving recipient of this Distinguished Service Award.

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Region II
Certificate of Honor
to
Aaron F. Kelly

Five-year old Aaron Kelly was home with his mother on the evening of February 18, 1992. His mother, Mrs. Mizah, who was 4 months pregnant, experienced a sharp abdominal pain while standing at the top of a stairway. She doubled over, fell head first down the flight of stairs, and was knocked unconscious. Aaron witnessed the fall and tried to arouse his mother. When she did not respond to him, Aaron dialed 9-1-1, which brought a response from the Funkstown Volunteer Fire Department and the Community Rescue Service in Hagerstown. Mrs. Mizah was transported to Washington County Hospital, where she was treated and released.

For thinking quickly during his mother's emergency and for taking action to get medical help, we award this civilian certificate of honor to Aaron Kelly.

[END]

(Mr. & Mrs. Mustafa Mizah [pronounced Meezah] will be at the ceremony.)

Region I
Distinguished Service Award
to
Doris M. Beal, EMT-A

Doris Beal is being recognized for her efforts to ensure that the Northern Garrett County Rescue Squad has access to Hepatitis B vaccine. When the squad's financial resources were unable to cover the cost of the vaccine, Ms. Beal began a campaign to raise the necessary funds. She canvassed the communities of northern Garrett County and spoke to civic and social organizations. She also worked with the Garrett County Health Department to obtain special pricing for the vaccine. Ms. Beal raised enough money to provide vaccine for all squad members, plus a reserve for members who wish to receive it in the future.

Ms. Beal has been an active member of the Northern Garrett County Rescue Squad for 15 years.. For her efforts toward seeing that Hepatitis B vaccine is available to the rescue squad, we are pleased to present Ms. Beal with this Distinguished Service Award.

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Region V
Distinguished Service Award
to
Sgt. Denise S. Fox, EMT-P

On May 25, 1991, Sergeant Denise Fox, a paramedic, was dispatched with Medic 49 to a car crash. A station wagon had hit a pole and slid over an embankment, trapping three teenagers inside. The driver of the car was dead and pinned in the vehicle. Victoria Popdan was unconscious in the front passenger seat. When she was extricated, she was in shock, with agonal respirations and a compromised airway. Sergeant Fox and her crew immobilized Ms. Popdan, secured her airway, and stabilized her before she was flown to Suburban Hospital. At the trauma center, it was determined that Ms. Popdan had sustained a fracture of her cervical spine.

Sergeant Fox visited Ms. Popdan during her hospitalization. A friendship developed between them, which continued during Victoria's stay at David Rehabilitation Hospital in Denver. Victoria has since returned home as a quadriplegic confined to a wheelchair; Sergeant Fox visits frequently and takes her shopping and to the movies.

Ms. Popdan's recovery and rehabilitation have been emotionally draining for her and her family. During many of the

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difficult times, Sergeant Fox was there to comfort and motivate Victoria. They feel that their friendship has been a significant influence on Victoria's progress in her rehabilitation.

Sergeant Fox is a conscientious paramedic and a dedicated EMT instructor. She always demonstrates concern for patients by providing the best care possible. For her compassion, sensitivity, and dedication to excellence in prehospital care, we present this Distinguished Service Award to Sergeant Denise Fox.

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Region IV
Distinguished Service Award
to
Robert T. Adkins , M.D.

Dr. Adkins has been the Region IV Medical Director for 12 years. He is well known and respected throughout the region. With a combination of professionalism and common sense, Dr. Adkins remains sensitive to the unique circumstances of providing prehospital care within a large, rural area. His support of EMS innovations in the region has been invaluable. He is always available to local units and ably represents them at statewide meetings. In addition, he works with Delaware and Virginia to coordinate medical control.

The leadership and devotion that Dr. Adkins has extended to Region IV and Maryland's EMS system are greatly appreciated. For his numerous contributions and years of service, we present this Distinguished Service Award.

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Region V
Certificates of Honor
to
Patrick F. Hassler, EMT
and Michael L. Sharpe, EMT-P

On March 22, 1991, the St. Leonard Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department was dispatched to a motor vehicle collision. EMT Patrick Hassler and Paramedic Michael Sharpe responded to the call from their residence. On the way to the station, they saw the crash -- an overturned vehicle lying in a pool of gasoline. They discovered a man trapped in the vehicle, his head pinned between the dashboard and roof. The dashboard was compressing the victim's airway, and he was bleeding profusely from the mouth and nose. EMT Hassler stabilized the man's cervical spine and started to work his head away from the dashboard. The two responders then used their own strength to spread apart the dashboard and the roof, which opened the victim's airway. Other members of the St. Leonard Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department arrived on the scene, stabilized the vehicle, and extricated the victim. The man was transported to Calvert Memorial Hospital and then to Med-Star in Washington.

We present these Certificates of Honor to Patrick Hassler and Michael Sharpe for their bravery, ingenuity, and effective medical care, which saved the life of the man trapped in the car.

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Region I
Distinguished Service Award
to
James "Dingle" Frankenberry, EMT-A

James Frankenberry has been a valued member of the Mount Savage Volunteer Fire Company in Allegany County for more than 15 years. His colleagues at the fire company feel that he is the perfect example of what an EMT should be: always caring, always giving, and always considerate of the patient above all else. By combining good medical judgment and common sense with compassion for patients and their families, Mr. Frankenberry consistently provides outstanding prehospital care to the community. For his many contributions to emergency medical services in Mount Savage, we are pleased to honor Mr. James Frankenberry with this Distinguished Service Award.

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Region III

Certificates of Honor

FF William Raab, EMT-A

FF Daryl Williams, EMT-A

FF Dan Stallings, EMT-A

Fire fighters and EMS personnel risk their lives every day. Sometimes their actions are particularly heroic as they place themselves in danger to help others. That is the kind of action taken on April 8, 1992, by William Raab, Daryl Williams, and Dan Stallings, all fire fighters and EMTs with the Baltimore City Fire Department.

At the scene of a rowhouse on fire, these men realized that an infant was trapped in a back room. Working as a team, they knocked down the flames in the central portion of the house and found their way into the rear of the building to rescue the baby.

For their heroism and quick action in saving the life of that infant, we are pleased to present Mr. Raab, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Stallings with these Certificates of Honor.

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Region II
Distinguished Service Award
to
Frederick County Advanced Life Support Program

The Frederick County Advanced Life Support Program was initiated in 1982 through funds provided by a federal grant and support from the local county government. The original program was staffed by volunteer ALS providers and managed by a part-time paid coordinator. During the first year of operation, the ALS program responded to more than 1100 calls, providing more than 14,000 hours of voluntary service.

Now, a decade later, the program has a full-time paid coordinator and still relies on an all-volunteer force. Sixty-seven CRTs and EMT-Ps provide 24-hour coverage to Frederick County. The hub of the operation remains in Frederick City, where most of the calls originate. Satellite "chase cars" are stationed in the northern part of the county, near Thurmont, and in the south, in Jefferson.

In 1991, the Frederick County ALS Program responded to 3,938 calls, involving almost 29,000 hours of service. Sixteen of the current volunteers were on the original roster, 10 years ago. ALS program members each agree to provide a minimum of 36 hours of service every month to maintain their membership.

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For your decade of service to the residents of Frederick County, we present this Distinguished Service Award to the Frederick County ALS Program.

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Region V
Certificate of Honor
to

TFC Charles Eisele, EMT-P
FF James J. Shields III, EMT-P
FF Patricia L. Powell, EMT-P

On September 5, 1991, Prince Georges 5 responded to a call in which a woman had crashed her car head-on into a tree. When they arrived, James Shields and Patricia Powell, both firefighters and paramedics, found the patient to be confused, with mild trouble breathing and low blood pressure. They requested a med-evac helicopter and began advanced life support. Following inflation of the MAST Suit, the patient's blood pressure rose but then dropped rapidly as her breathing became extremely labored. The paramedics assessed that the woman was experiencing tension pneumothorax (a build-up of pressure in the chest) and relayed that information to Trooper First Class Charles Eisele aboard the responding Maryland State Police Helicopter Trooper 2. Paramedic Eisele was participating in a pilot study of the treatment of tension pneumothorax, and upon arrival confirmed the findings of Paramedics Shields and Powell.

The patient was conscious but had no obtainable blood pressure and was in severe respiratory distress. She had no breath sounds on the right side, her trachea was pushed to the

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left, and her upper body was blue. Authorization was given by the receiving physician at Prince Georges Hospital Trauma Center for Paramedic Eisele to insert a catheter into the patient's chest to relieve the pressure. With placement of the catheter, a large volume of air exited the chest, and the patient's breathing improved immediately. Her blood pressure, trachea position, and skin color returned to normal. The patient was flown to PG Hospital, where she was further stabilized and then taken to an operating room for repair of her severe injuries.

For their roles in saving the life of this patient and for exemplifying outstanding performance within Maryland's system of emergency medical care, Paramedics Shields, Powell, and Eisele are presented with these Certificates of Honor.

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Region IV
Distinguished Service Awards
to
Marc Bramble and John Barto

Marc Bramble and John Barto, as the Region IV administrator and assistant administrator, respectively, have numerous and varied responsibilities. These Distinguished Service Awards are being presented today in recognition of their instrumental role in establishing Advanced Life Support Services on the mid-Eastern Shore.

Kevin Knussman, President of the Talbot County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, recommended that Marc and John be thanked publicly for their support of ALS in Region IV. As Kevin stated in his letter, "Marc Bramble and John Barto have been valuable advisors in guiding the development of radically different systems in the various counties....There would be no ALS without their personal involvement and dedication. Many thousands of patients will benefit as a direct result of their efforts."

MIEMSS joins Kevin Knussman and the prehospital care providers in Region IV in saying "Thanks" to Marc and John for their important contributions to Maryland's EMS system.

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Region V
Distinguished Service Award
to
Lt. Neal E. Abrams

Lt. Abrams has served the Montgomery County Department of Fire/Rescue Services for 38 years (since 1953). In May 1988, he joined the Sandy Spring Volunteer Fire Department. He quickly became a valuable asset as a prehospital care provider, an instructor, a leader, and a mentor for younger members. Lt. Abrams completed the CRT course in December 1989 and is currently enrolled in the EMT-P program.

Within the Sandy Spring Fire Department, Lt. Abrams has served as a member of the Executive Board, Treasurer, and Training Officer. He rides on the ACLS unit every Friday. In addition to this regular duty, he responds to calls from his home when only one other ACLS provider is assigned and needs assistance.

As Chief George Brown from Sandy Spring stated in his letter recommending Lt. Abrams for this award, few people care enough to spend their own time learning skills and then serving the community the way volunteer fire/rescue personnel do. Even fewer make the additional commitment to ACLS training and take on the

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responsibility of training others. Lt. Abrams is one of those few.

For his devotion to quality, his dedication to EMS, and his enthusiasm, we are pleased to honor Lt. Neal Abrams with a Distinguished Service Award.

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Region IV
Certificate of Honor
to
Michael S. Pavero, CRT
Linkwood-Salem Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.
Russell Hurley, Sr., Delmarva Ambulance Service

In December 1991, a man became caught in an auger inside a silo on a Linkwood farm. Trapped for 3 days, he was finally discovered. Responding to the scene were CRT Mike Pavero, personnel from the Linkwood-Salem Volunteer Fire Company, and Russell Hurley, Sr., of Delmarva Ambulance Service. The emergency medical team worked for 4 hours to free the man. Dr. Ameen Ramzy was called to the scene, and he and Mr. Pavero tended to the victim's medical needs while the other rescuers extricated him. The man was flown to the MIEMSS Shock Trauma Center and survived.

MIEMSS is proud to present these certificates of honor to the people involved in this difficult rescue.

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Region V
Certificates of Honor
to
Engine Company 461, Rescue Squads 8 and 20,
Medic 10, and Ambulance 59,
Prince George's County Fire Department

A report of a personal injury accident was received by the PG County Fire Department on May 3, 1991. Dispatched were Engine 461, Rescue Squad 20, Ambulance 59, and Medic unit 10 from Landover Hills. A dump truck had turned on its side and onto the top of a car. The load of dirt from the truck bed had spilled over the car, leaving only a 1-foot by 4-foot area exposed on the passenger side.

The roof of the car was crushed to the seats. Rescue personnel could see the top of a person's head and her right arm. The entrapped woman could hear the rescuers but could respond only with hand signals. A second rescue squad was requested as well as a tow truck and a backhoe. Emergency personnel also placed a line to protect the victim and themselves from leaking diesel fuel. They began removing the dirt with shovels.

A second victim had crawled from the vehicle before the emergency units arrived. As she was being treated, she told the rescuers that another woman and 3-year-old child were in the car.

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After the dirt was removed, the dump truck was lifted and stabilized, and the car was pulled from under the truck with the backhoe. Then the roof and doors of the car were removed and the woman and child rescued. Both appeared to have surprisingly minor injuries but were transported to trauma facilities for complete assessments.

This well-coordinated rescue was conducted safely and had a successful outcome. For their roles in resolving this complex emergency, we are pleased to recognize

Engine Company 461,

Rescue Squad 8,

Rescue Squad 20,

Medic Unit 10, and

Ambulance 59

from the Prince George's County Fire Department.

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Region II
Certificate of Honor
to
Vinson S. Dieterich, EMT-A

Engine #5 from the Hagerstown Fire Department and the Community Rescue Service were dispatched to the scene of a pedestrian struck by a train on August 7, 1991. EMT Vinson Dieterich, the driver of the fire engine, was with the first crew on the scene. The incident occurred on a remote section of railroad tracks separated from the road by a high barbed-wire fence. Mr. Dieterich ran along the tracks and found the victim under an engine, wedged between the tracks, with both legs severed above the knees. After checking with railroad personnel to ensure that the train would not move, Mr. Dieterich crawled 40 feet under the locomotive to the victim and pulled him out by crawling backward. The man was bleeding profusely, so EMT Dieterich started an IV and applied direct pressure to the man's femoral arteries for more than 30 minutes, until other emergency care providers could gain access to the site. The victim was taken by ambulance to Washington County Hospital and then transferred to the MIEMSS Shock Trauma Center.

MIEMSS is proud to award a Certificate of Honor to Vinson Dieterich for his bravery and quick action in saving the life of this man.

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Region V
Distinguished Service Award
to
Richard Alcorta, MD, FACEP

Dr. Richard Alcorta has been an emergency physician and paramedic liaison at Suburban Hospital since 1987. Appointed to the Region V EMS Advisory Council in 1988, he has served as its chair for the past 2 years. A dedicated member of the EMS team, Rick has contributed to system development in the areas of education, prevention, advocacy, and coordination.

As an educator, Rick has given hundreds of hours of training in CRT, EMT-P, and continuing education programs in Montgomery County. He has participated in the planning and presentation of conferences in Region V and has spoken at other conferences around the state.

Dr. Alcorta is active at the county, regional, and state levels in accident prevention. He lobbied effectively for passage of Montgomery County's bicycle helmet law and is active with the Safe Kid's Coalition. With a Montgomery County paramedic, Rick presents a program on safe driving to high school students. Using slides of accidents and their victims, this program encourages young drivers to wear seatbelts and to not drink and drive. Since 1987, Rick was a leader in the statewide effort to reinstate

Maryland's motorcycle helmet law. This lifesaving legislation was passed by the General Assembly in 1992.

Rick also has been a member of various groups that coordinate emergency medical services, such as the Montgomery County EMS Advisory Council and the EMS Committees of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the Board of Physician Quality Assurance. As chair of the Region V EMS Advisory Council, Rick has been a leader in the effort to restore full funding to MIEMSS and the Maryland State Police Aviation Division.

We are proud to honor and thank Dr. Alcorta for his substantial contributions to injury prevention, public education, training of prehospital care providers, and legislative initiatives. For your dedication to the highest standards in emergency medicine, we present you with this Distinguished Service Award.

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Region IV
Certificate of Honor
to

W. Newton Carey, Jr., EMT-P

W. Newton Carey was the paramedic on an EMS crew dispatched to a car fire on November 7, 1991. Actually, two cars were on fire, with one victim trapped inside. The first car was upright, fully engulfed in flames. The second was on its passenger side in a deep ditch, and the engine was beginning to burn. Paramedic Carey was told that a woman was in the second car. He climbed down into the ditch but couldn't see the woman through the thick smoke. Fire was spreading from the engine toward the passenger compartment.

Paramedic Carey managed to open the car door and find the victim, who was still in her seatbelt and shoulder strap. He cut the straps and pulled the woman toward him. Suddenly, the pressure of the door, which he had been holding open with his back and shoulder, was relieved. It had been opened by Cpl. Darby McCready and the victim's nephew.

Then the car's engine exploded, and so did the other car. Because the people holding the door were startled, they lost their grip and the door fell onto Paramedic Carey. But they regained their composure and picked up the door again. The woman was finally pulled from the car and into a nearby field.

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Paramedic Carey assessed the patient and found spontaneous respirations and a strong carotid pulse. She had a facial injury, a fractured left arm, and a compound fracture of the lower left leg. She also appeared to have a flail chest and a developing hemopneumothorax.

As stabilization procedures progressed, a med-evac helicopter, Trooper 4, arrived. Paramedic Carey accompanied the woman during the flight to Peninsula Regional Medical Center.

At great personal danger and in an act of remarkable and exemplary bravery, Paramedic Carey rescued a gravely injured woman from a burning car. For his heroism and concern for his fellow humans, we are pleased to present this Certificate of Honor.

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Region III
Certificate of Honor
Baltimore County Fire Department

A Certificate of Honor is being awarded to the Baltimore County Fire Department for the successful rescue of J. David Kates, who was buried in a trench cave-in. The incident occurred on the morning of November 7, 1991, in Essex. Dispatched to the scene were Units E6, T15, S262, ATR, Engine 55, Cave-in 55, M15, EMS 3, and BC 4. When the responders arrived, they found that a 10- by 4-foot trench, about 6 feet deep, had collapsed and buried Mr. Kates. All that the responders could see of Mr. Kates were his left hand and some hair on his head.

The subsequent 8-hour rescue was aggressive yet orderly. In addition to numerous personnel from the Baltimore County Fire Department, individuals from MOSHA, the Montgomery County Fire-Rescue Service, the Baltimore County Bureau of Utilities, C&P, and the Francis Scott Key Medical Center participated in this effort. The innovative tactics used by the rescuers, and their effective cooperation, led to the safe and successful extrication of Mr. Kates. He was transported to the Shock Trauma Center for treatment of his injuries.

For their teamwork and professionalism, and for proving that rescues from cave-in burials are possible, MIEMSS is proud to present this Certificate of Honor to the Baltimore County Fire Department.

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