



THE REVIEW

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Quote of the Week

"Integrity - the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; moral uprightness."
Definition

Upcoming Community Events:

- Sept 7th 8:00am-12:00 pm at the PV Civic Center. Healing Field set up.
- Sept 8th 7:00 pm at the PV Event Center. Concert by Great Gig in the Sky performing Pink Floyd.
- Sept. 8th 7:00 am-12:00 pm Patriot Run. 10k & 5k start at 7:00 am. 9:30-10:00 am Honor Guard and Pipes and Drums perform. 10:00-12:00 1 mile fun run, kids obstacle course and family fun stuff.
- Sept 11th 6:00-7:00 pm at the PV Civic Center. Sept 11th Memorial Ceremony.
- Sept 15th 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm at the PV Event Center. Shrine Circus.
- Sept 22nd 1:00-8:00 pm on Main St. near the round-a-bout with the fountain. 2018 Prescott Valley Balloon Fest. They will have a balloon glow from 6-8 pm.



- The Patriot Run is a fundraising event for the Central Arizona Honor Guard
- September 8th at the Prescott Valley Civic Center
- 10k & 5k 6am registration – 7am start time
- Honor Guard & Pipes and Drums perform at 9:30am
- 1 mile fun run and family fun event with fire trucks, kids obstacle course, a raffle, and a silent auction at 10am.
- Reasonable registration fees
- U.S. Military Vets and Active Duty run for free. (Free registration only on the day of the event with any form of verification of service.)

Online Registration: www.raceentry.com

Search: **The Patriot Run** On: **September 8th, 2018**



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The Chief's Desk

Just as many other people across the world, I have a Keurig coffee maker. Given I'm the only person in our house that drinks coffee; it works out great because I'm not wasting most of a pot for one or two cups. Unlike many people with Keurig's I do not normally have the K-cups. It's not a save the world or hug a tree thing, it's a frugality thing. Quite frankly, it's cheaper to use the reusable pod. This however does require additional effort. Each time I want to make a cup of coffee I have to beat the pod filter into a trash can to get most of the grounds out, clean it in the sink, fill it with coffee, and then brew my cup of coffee. This is in contrast to sticking a K-Cup in the machine and calling it good.

Recently, Jen found an overstock store in Prescott that sells Starbucks K-pods for dirt cheap. The coffee is outstanding, and reducing the steps it takes to make a cup reduces time and makes things a bit easier. I haven't used them much, but it's easy to get hooked on the simplicity.

Last Sunday morning as I got up to make my coffee I found myself engaged in an internal argument. Do I use the K-cup or the reusable pod? The K-cup is easier and the coffee is just as good, but is taking the easy way out the best way or am I being lazy? After debating with myself for a few minutes, I came to the conclusion that using the K-cup was the easier and lazier route. However, the end result would be the same either way i.e. ultimately I would have a hot cup of flavorful coffee.

I have this type of argument with myself quit often. Is taking the easy way actually lazy? Will the results be less than what I want to achieve or the same? Will taking the more difficult path result in a better outcome in the short and/or long term? These are valid questions. In the case of the coffee, I chose the K-cup over the more laborious reusable pod because the easier route provided the exact same result.

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Upcoming Events:

Sept 10 – Policy Committee Meeting
Sept 11 – Conference call with ESCI about a joint presentation, Chino Town Council
Sept 12 – SOG Meeting, AFCA/AFDA Leadership Training Kickoff Conference Call
Sept 13 – AFSI meeting Phoenix, PV Council Meeting

Board Meeting:

Sept 24th Administration

CVFD – 1600-1630
CAFMA – 1630 -1800
CYFD – 1800-1830



Welcome Jonah Van Tuyl!

By: Tech Manager Jonah Van Tuyl



My wife Ashley and I have both lived in the quad city area since childhood. We were married in 2000 and have three daughters: Aurora (16), Evelyn (13) and Iris (11). As a family we enjoy time outdoors and love reading good books together. In my free time I like to play guitar and repeatedly read anything written by J.R.R. Tolkien.

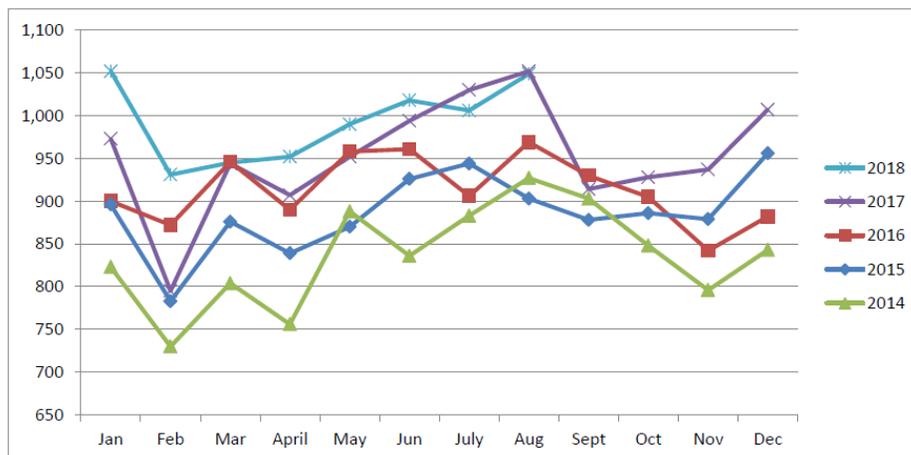
I have spent the last 10 years working in Information Technology in various capacities, including administration, engineering and IT Management. I take pride in ensuring reliable technologies are delivered through great customer service.

August Call Statistics

GIS/Statistician: Michael Freeman

CALL VOLUME HISTORY

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Jan	823	896	900	973	1,052
Feb	730	783	872	795	931
Mar	804	876	946	944	945
April	756	839	890	907	952
May	888	870	958	952	990
Jun	836	926	961	994	1,018
July	883	944	906	1,030	1,006
Aug	927	903	969	1,052	1,049
Sept	903	878	930	914	
Oct	848	886	905	928	
Nov	796	879	842	937	
Dec	843	956	882	1,007	
AVG	836	886	913	953	993
TOTAL	10,037	10,636	10,961	11,433	7,943





August Response Report - 2018

Land Area: 254 sq. miles Population: 86,865 Fire Stations: 10 Full-Staffed

Responses in District

TOTAL FIRE INCIDENTS	6
STRUCTURE FIRE	1
STRUCTURE FIRE; CONFINED	1
MOBILE HOME/PORTABLE BLDG	2
VEHICLE FIRE	2
BRUSH/GRASS/WILDLAND FIRE	0
OTHER/TRASH FIRE	0

Fire is 0.57% of call volume

TOTAL EMS	673
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EMS is 64.16% of call volume

OVERPRESSURE	0
HAZMAT	15
SERVICE	201
GOOD INTENT	107
FALSE ALARM/OTHER	47

Other is 35.27% of call volume

TOTAL # OF CALLS	1,049
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Residential Fire Loss	\$401,100
Commercial Fire Loss	\$0
Vehicle Fire Loss	\$300

Calls in Town of Chino Valley	158
Calls in Town of Prescott Valley	508
Calls in Town of Dewey-Humboldt	43
Calls in District, Unincorporated Areas	340
Calls Out of District	8

Average total # of calls per day	33.84
Average fire calls per day	0.19
Average EMS calls per day	21.71
Average all other calls per day	11.93

Aid Given to Prescott	116
Aid Received from Prescott	89
Mutual Aid Given	5
Mutual Aid Received	0

Unit Responses

	In District	Total
E50	133	139
E51	40	167
E53	183	184
E54	138	142
E57	40	42
E58	137	139
E59	117	123
E61	97	101
E62	116	122
E63	46	51
T50	8	8
B3	55	62
B6	17	23

Call Volume at PRCC

	MONTH	YTD
PFD	704	5,779
CAFMA	1,049	7,943
GCFD	10	85
OD	11	74
WKFD	4	31

Top 5 Call Types

618	EMS
94	Assist Invalid
58	Cancelled en Route
44	Public Service Assistance
28	Vehicle Accident No Injuries

Move Ups by Station

50: 59	57: 7
51: 36	61: 17
53: 15	62: 4
54: 0	63: 21
58: 0	
59: 4	TOTAL: 163

Chief's Desk Continued

Our decisions in this regard usually come down to our passion for whatever it is we are trying to accomplish. It goes to our need and/or desire to learn. Do we challenge ourselves or do we look for the Staples "Easy Button?" There are times when the easier way is the best way – think "Keep it Simple Stupid" (KISS principle). However, if we desire to grow and develop as professionals, we must always strive to challenge ourselves which means sometimes we have to take the more difficult path.

This can be the same thing in your role as a leader or manager. The easy way is not to hold people accountable, and the hard way is to hold people accountable. What kind of leader are you? Some believe they can be everyone's friend and avoid difficult conversations. The reality is that those who try to be everyone's friend end up losing the respect of the whole. Those that hold people accountable may sacrifice a relationship, but continue to build and retain a healthy professional reputation. Think about it this way, if the person you are supervising is truly your friend, why did they put you in a position that requires you to hold them accountable? If that is enough to damage the relationship, was it really that strong to begin with? Probably not.....

Was creating CAFMA the more difficult route or the easy route? In some ways the easy path would have been to decrease services and staffing in an effort to maintain two separate agencies. While that would have meant decreased effort and time on the part of staff, it would have been devastating to families and the community. For me, it would not have been the easier path. I believe my job as the Chief includes more than just ensuring a red engine responds from somewhere with someone on it that has some level of training. While that is a part of what I am responsible for, I am also responsible for providing a stable and safe work environment that provides for each of our employees and their families. To that end, maintaining the status quo for either agency would have had a disparate impact on all of our employees, our families as well as the communities we serve. That is not something I could live with.

For me, and I believe our entire staff, staying status quo was not the easier route. The effort it took to create CAFMA was more work, and the political issues caused by a few are both a distraction and a pain in the back side, but I'd rather go through this than see communities lose services, and families lose jobs.

You may have realized from a recent Chief's Desk that I'm not a person that necessarily looks for the easy way out. In my youth, I may have been that person, but as I matured I realized that life and achievement takes effort. I've learned that professional development requires a person to challenge themselves regularly and to persevere despite the difficulties they encounter.

When you reflect on your life, your pursuits and your dreams what do you see? Is there something more you want? Over my career in the fire service I have worked with, spoken to, and encountered any number of people that say "seniority must count for something." Or, "if they want me to have it for promotion, they will have to pay for it, provide me the time on my shift days, and not require me to do

anything on my days off.” In my experience, those that hold those values have not moved far from where they were when they started their careers.

A lot of things in life are easier, but do they lead to the same result. We know that a disposable K-cup will yield the same cup of coffee as the more laborious task of using a reusable K-cup. We know that:

- Eating a donut is easier than making eggs, and sometimes more tasty.
- Eating fast food is easier than cooking.
- Not going to the gym is easier than going.
- Reading Jeep Magazine is easier than reading a book on Grit, emotional intelligence, or a comparative analysis of how some organizations thrive while others fail.
- Not going to school is easier, and cheaper, than seeking higher education.
- Watching TV is easier than getting out a doing drills on the fire ground.

What do these decisions do for your health and/or your professional development?

It seems bad habits are way easier to develop, and much more difficult to shed than taking the effort to develop and practice good habits. I assume this is a psychological study that people way smarter than me have researched. However, even someone with my level of intellect can come to the conclusion that making poor choices is sometimes easier than making the choice to expend effort.

In reality, it comes down to what we want to achieve in life, and at what level. In the end, I’m too cheap to buy a lot of K-cups, but if I have them I’ll take the easy route to achieve the same result. However, in life I will continue to evaluate my options and do the best I can to take the path that will provide the outcome I desire. Sometimes the path will be easy, and sometimes it will be like walking across a field of Legos barefoot.

Stuff that’s happening

Training on the ladder truck continues. Once training is complete, the truck will go back to fleet to have all equipment mounted. When ready for service, we will schedule a ceremony.

State Fire School is this week and weekend. The opening ceremonies were great, and classes are expected to be top notch again this year. I am at the New Chief’s Seminar shadowing Retired Chief Mike Cason who is the facilitator, as well as presenting with retired Fire Chief Cliff Jones.

This is what happens when you are not responsible with your bumper – we take it away☺ Actually, this is Captain Niemynski’s vehicle. Given this particular Tahoe responds both on and off-district, and it seems to go through front bumpers, we took a page from the Border Patrol and Yavapai County Sheriffs. The vehicle had a leveling kit installed on the front end, the bumper was cut, and some larger tires were

mounted. This gives the vehicle the clearance it needs during response, and yet maintains its handling while on the road.

