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On August 23rd the department, along with his family and friends, celebrated 33-years of dedicated service by Battalion Chief Scott Allison. Congratulations on your retirement Chief!



Congratulations to Lt. Justin Knighten, who celebrated 15 years of service in August!







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Matthew Tobia – Fire Chief Harrisonburg Fire Department 101 N. Main St. – Third Floor Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Chief Tobia,

On behalf of Shenandoah County Department of Fire and Rescue, I would like to take the opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for supporting our efforts to manage an explosion, and hazardous materials release, at Valley Milk – 412 E. King St. Strasburg, VA. July 30, 2021 will long be remembered as a day when Shenandoah County's resources quickly became overwhelmed by the nature, complexity, and duration of this type incident. Your agency's participation providing supplemental fire investigators enabled our agency to expand limited resources to manage this incident safely and effectively. Without question, your department's personnel played vital roles in the successful conclusion of an incident which had the potential for a greater scale of casualties and destruction.

I consider our area to be blessed with the many talents and operational capabilities of fire service professionals serving the Shenandoah Valley. As the Incident Commander of this incident, I am once again reminded of how grateful I am to have mutual aid partners and support personnel such as yourself. In closing, I would again like to thank you for your agency's time and talent committed to this effort. Should you encounter a future need for assistance, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Respectfully,

W. J. Streett Jr – Deputy Chief of Operations Shenandoah County Dept of Fire and Rescue

Cc: Chief P. Timothy Williams



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Engine 26 C-Shift

Helped a future firefighter celebrate his birthday with a drive by celebration. Thank you to Lt. Andrew Bauserman, Firefighter Emily Walter, and Firefighter Jonathan McKinney for making this young mans day!















Our friends form C.C. & Associates visited Station 1, on Maryland Avenue. Lt. Erin Stehle, Master Firefighter Chris Daniels, and Firefighter Chandler Hardy had a great visit with them. They got to explore the engine and ladder truck, they sprayed water with a fire hose and learned about fire safety.









One of friends form C.C. & Associates gave a thoughtful donation to the department during their visit to Station 1. Thank you for your heartfelt generosity!