



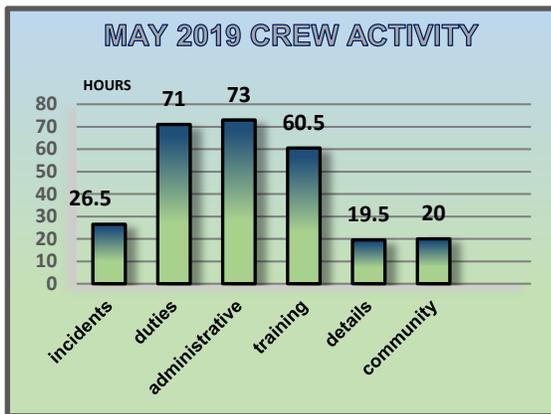
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 Fire & Rescue / Emergency Management

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May 2019 Incidents: 59

(May 2018 = 36)

- **EMS – 32**
 - Grady transports – 19
 - CHFD transports – 0
 - Patient Refusal -6
 - Air/Medivac – 0
 - Deaths – 0
 - Other – 7 (cx)
- **Fire – 11**
 - Structure/residential – 0
 - Structure/commercial – 0
 - Structure/outbuilding – 0
 - Woods/Grass – 4
 - Fire Alarm – 3
 - Smoke investigation – 0
 - Vehicle – 2
 - Sprinkler system – 0
 - Illegal burn – 2
 - Other - 0



AUTOMATIC aid 1 Palmetto
 MUTUAL aid 0
 2019 Incidents To-Date: **222**

- **Service – 13**
 - Trees down - 5
 - Wires down – 0
 - Lockout – 0
 - Invalid Assist – 4
 - Wellness check – 0
 - Water leak – 0
 - Gas leak – 2
 - Public Service – 0
 - Other – 2
- **Vehicle Accidents – 2**
 - Extrication – 0
- **HAZMAT – 0**
- **Rescue/Search – 0**
- **Other - 1**

Fire & EMS Operations

- **Grady Mobile Stroke Unit (MSU) responds in Chatt Hills:**
 Recently, Station 51 was dispatched on a stroke call for an 82 year-old female. When Fire/EMS personnel engaged the patient a new phone-app (FAST ... Field Assessment Stroke Triage) was used to determine the probability for a true stroke. Dispatch was notified of the patient’s FAST score and subsequently Grady’s Mobile Stroke Unit (MSU) was dispatched. Within 30 minutes of the initial 911 call and less than three miles from the patient’s home, the patient was met by the MSU for remote CT scan and advanced stroke care. The MSU team determined the patient had blood clots and initiated tPA (medications) to resolve the clot. The patient was then transported to Grady-Atlanta where her prognosis was determined to be exceptional.



- **Hostile Event Trauma Care Now Critical Training for Fire/EMS:** Since 2017 Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement leaders in south Fulton County have become more focused on a joint tactical response for hostile events such as “active shooter.” Fire departments have begun training utilizing a two-day, hands-on class where highly specialized tactical medical care is taught for implementation at any hostile event. Eight CHFD and Palmetto personnel received training



in May from Southeastern Tactical based in Atlanta. The training was sponsored by the Georgia Region D Healthcare Coalition. Fire/EMS personnel were coached on the finer points of traumatic injuries sustained during a “hostile event,” then proctored through high-stress scenarios with volunteers exhibiting mock wounds and behaviors likely to occur at an active shooter incident.



(Pictured right: Laura Richards, Pat Long and Jonathan Long were among Chatt Hills volunteers that donated their time on a Saturday).

- **Grady Ambulance Response Times Still Debated by Fire Chiefs:** While Grady does provide better services than its predecessor AMR, south Fulton Fire Chiefs are still in discussions with Grady to attain the lowest possible response times. Chattahoochee Hills' average response times fluctuate by the month ranging from 16 to 20 minutes. Presently, the Fire Chiefs' main concern is for the appropriate number of ambulances and personnel dedicated to south Fulton areas (as promised by Grady before taking over services in 2018).
- **ChattCare Enrollment to Begin Soon:** CHFD will begin enrollment of citizens in the community paramedicine program, **ChattCare**, after July 1. The program provides medical-oriented "wellness checks" for persons who need regular phone or home visits to prevent emergent care. Visit the City's website or City Hall for more information.
 - **ChattCare** does not take the place of regular physician healthcare.
 - Medications are not available through **ChattCare**.



Office of the Fire Chief

- Investigation of the home explosion at 4520 Cochran Mill Road (the Charles Miller residence) continues. Various insurance companies and their investigation contractors are present periodically as the scene remains "closed." An official determination regarding the cause and origin of the explosion has not been issued.



- Discussions concerning an "automatic aid" agreement with the City of South Fulton have resumed. A final definition of boundaries and the related dispatching data is being completed with Fulton County for review by all parties and ISO.
- **Reminder:** The annual burn ban is in effect from May 1 – October 1. Don't forget, and tell others, the City of Chattahoochee Hills has an ordinance related to illegal burning—the ordinance includes citations and fines for persons who do not comply (see City website for ordinance information). Also, it is illegal to burn household garbage; federal and state fines can be as high as \$25,000 per day per incident.
- CPR classes (without American Heart Association certification) are FREE from the Fire Department. AHA certification classes are available, also, for a nominal fee. Send an email to request more information (CHFD@chatthillsga.us).



Students from Acton Academy recently visited Fire Station 51 for a tour and "treats."

Emergency Management (CHEMA)



Chattahoochee Hills Emergency Management will hold "Community Emergency Response Team" (CERT) training classes beginning in September 2019. CERT team members will receive certification and equipment from FEMA, GEMA and the City of Chattahoochee Hills to support city disaster operations as follows:

- Disaster response coordination
- Damage assessment
- Hazard mitigation
- Emergency shelter management
- Field operations
- Emergency first aid



 **CodeRED** is CHEMA's means for local alerting for inclement weather and other emergency notifications, and it's a FREE service to anyone. Visit the City website or the City Hall for registration documents.

 **WeatherBug** is a localized "weather station" service mounted atop CHFD Fire Station 51 ... anyone can access real-time weather radar and data for Chattahoochee Hills at this website: www.weatherbug.com (choose *Chattahoochee Hills*)