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FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

From the Desk of the President

Hello to all. I hope all is well with each squad. Just a short reminder this time. As you all know this summer has been hot but the days of rescuing people goes on. Seems we all have been busy.

When you are applying for SD-1 property the request needs to be on your squad's letterhead and include the squad's FID number. This will make the paperwork go a lot better.

Now that the Legislative session is done, I hope Chauncey can rest up. He has worked hard during this session and we can't forget Jimmy who also has helped. He has gotten us some great bills passed this time that will help us in the long run. When you see Chauncey and Jimmy at the meetings, please let them know how much you appreciate all the hard work they do. I want to thank the squads who go down and sit in during the meetings. Without all of the of squads support it is hard to do.

Also thanks to Athens Limestone for putting on a great 2nd Quarterly meeting. It was great to see everybody there. I hope to see you all soon. Please be safe out there,

Danny Butler
President

From the Desk of the 2nd Vice President

This year is flying! I just got back from the bill signing with Danny, Jimmy and Chauncey. I can tell you that Chauncey and Jimmy are doing some good things up there. I was impressed with how many people recognize the green coats and were happy to discuss things with them.

I have been too busy at work to accomplish much for SAR but hope the rest of the year slows down.

For Conference this year, I am planning to get the president of the National Association of Search & Rescue to introduce everyone to the training they have to offer and the benefits of being members. I have been a member for many years and there is no better recognized certification in the nation. (nasar.org)

On the home front, we assisted with the search for Naomi Jones in Pensacola, FL. This was an exhaustive search that was led by Klass Kids and included Escambia County Sheriff's Office and the FBI. We (NBSSAR) searched approximately 35 acres total. As you may know, Naomi was a 12 year old little girl that was abducted in Pensacola and later found deceased, 2 miles from her home.

Keep training, to be ready...
Looking forward to convention...

Luther Peebles
2nd Vice President



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FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Second Quarterly Meeting
May 20th, 2017
Athens, Al

Colors posted by the Honor Guard. Opening prayer by Hoyt McCaghren. Meeting was called to order by President Danny Butler. Scott Kellenburger spoke briefly about man-tracking and setting up classes.

Roll was called by Debbie Tidwell with 45 squads in attendance.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes by Desoto Rescue Squad. Motion was seconded by Daphne Search and Rescue. Motion carried.

Financial report was read by Debbie Tidwell. Motion to accept report as read by Daphne Search and Rescue. Motion was seconded by Cherokee County Rescue Squad. Motion carried.

Mike Stone has an e-group setup for the Association.

We will have a Facebook policy written up and vote on at the August meeting.

Danny spoke about the EVOC refresher course and it will go through the regions. As of now it will still be going through the state.

First Responder Appreciation Day June 9th in Dothan. There will also be a First Responders Day hosted by the United States National Reserve Corps on September 9th at Prichard Stadium in Mobile.

The State EMS Conference is August 8th – 10th at Perdido Beach, we will try to have an officer and our SMECC Representative attend.

The AAA ambulance Conference is September 27th – 28th in Orange Beach, we will also have a representative there.

Danny also spoke about classes for the conference, if anyone has anything they would like for the Association to try to do to get with Luther Peebles.

This is the 50th Anniversary for the Association and we are having a shirt design competition again this year and we want the design to integrate the 50th Anniversary. Send the design to Gwen Stone and she will forward to the photographers to choose the winning design.

The Association purchased an AED.

There was no submission for Rescue of the Quarter.

Chauncey gave a brief overview of what happened in the legislature. HB 250 will benefit our state as we join eleven other states. HB 242 passed, workman's compensation. Public Safety Protection Act did not pass. And the Abuse Act did not pass. Line Item from the Education Trust Fund will be brought back up, we should have a good idea around the first of December on the amount that we will be getting.

Matt read a letter of apology about the CPR cards being delayed.

David Holcombe is our SMECC representative. His e-mail address is protocols@alars.org

Matt spoke about the new AED and it will be mounted in the trailer.

Matt had 2 applications to bring up: Orange Beach Fire & Rescue and Westover Fire Department.

There was discussion on the Orange Beach application, they could not attend the meeting today. They will attend the third quarterly meeting.

Motion made by Florence-Lauderdale EMA to accept this application. Motion seconded by Anniston Rescue Squad. Motion carried.

Thanks to Athens-Limestone for hosting the meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone in Dekalb County in August.

Honor Guard removed the colors and the meeting was dismissed.

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3rd Quarterly Meeting
Hosted by:
Dekalb County Association of Rescue Squads
August 19, 2017
Mentone Community Church Life Center
90 Summerville Road
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Agenda

Registration	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Welcome and Posting of Colors	9:30 a.m.
Board of Directors Meeting	10:00 a.m.
Lunch	12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
General Business Meeting	1:30 p.m.

Lunch is provided by the Dekalb County Association of Rescue Squads.

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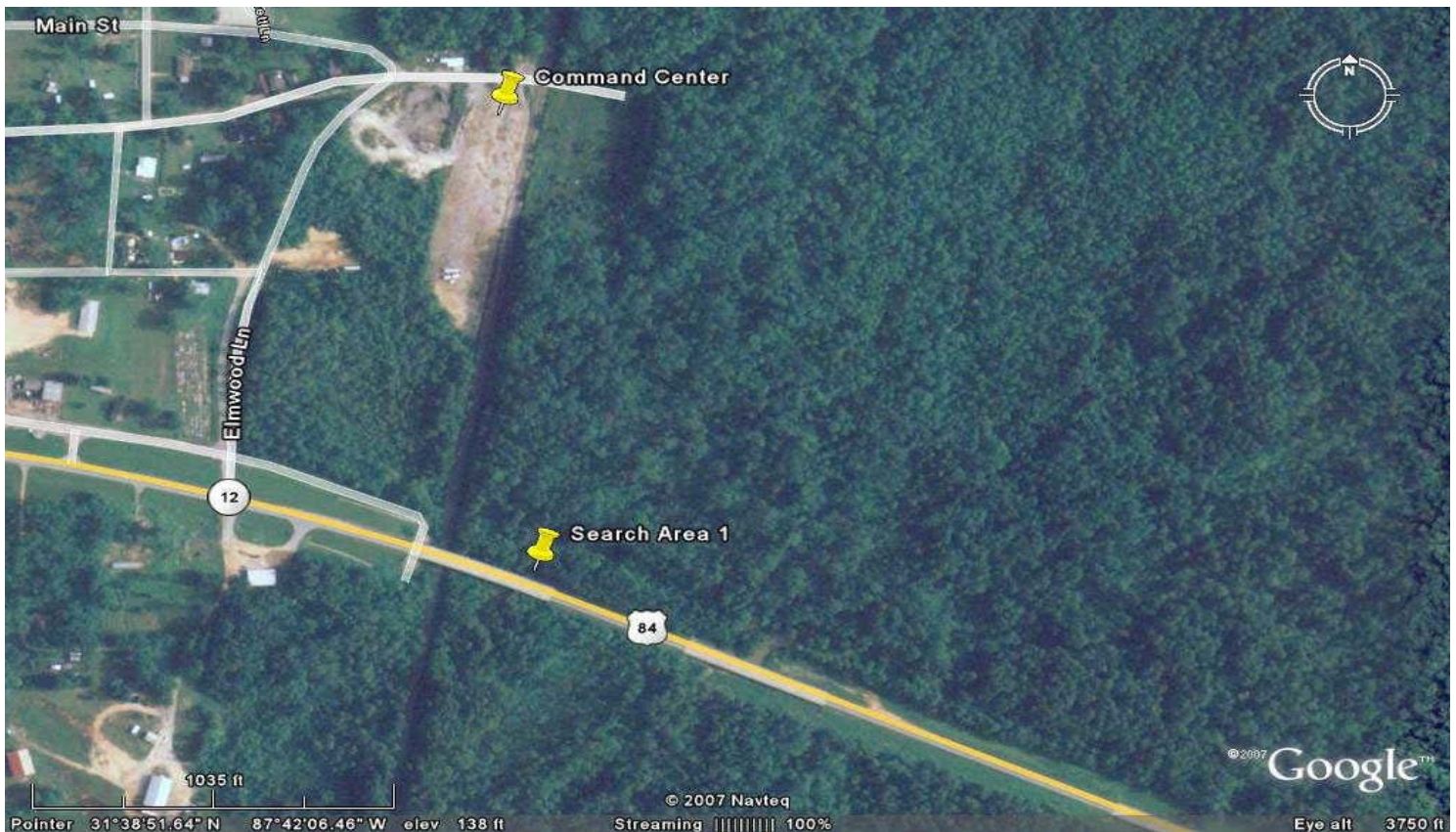
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The health and safety of your team and the victims you are on scene to serve are depending on you to perform your tasks proficiently. A mistake or a loss of precious time could change the outcome of your mission to an undesired one. We all know that mistakes will be made but one caused by lack of training is unacceptable. We are viewed as being the expert in our fields of service. We should display confidence, proficiency and professionalism in any task we say we can do. We should not try to complete any task unless we believe we can execute it proficiently and without compromising safety.

The only way for your team to be proficient is to provide frequent, quality training. Frequency of training is very subjective but can be evaluated in several manners. What is the risk of the task? What could happen if I don't perform the task correctly? Higher risk tasks require more frequent training. A task that could have a severe negative consequence if not performed correctly should be considered critical. Training on critical tasks should be frequent enough that they are consistently performed correctly. Refresher training can be used to gauge knowledge retention. If our training frequency shows that we continue to perform the task correctly we can be reasonably assured that we have the frequency correct. If during refresher training we do not perform the task correctly the frequency should be adjusted until we show continued proficiency.

How frequently will I need to perform the task? A task performed frequently like driving a car will require little to no refresher training. The task is almost automatically performed without much thought. Tasks performed infrequently will require more frequent refresher training. The goal of refresher training is to ensure we can consistently perform the task any time we are asked.

How do I know if I am providing quality training? The simplest way to answer this is "we train as if it were an actual mission". While there is nothing wrong with tabletop exercises to give us a high level opportunity for planning and determining resources needed, we must execute the training hands-on in real world conditions. Do you train only during daylight hours? Do you train only during fair weather?

Don't fool yourselves, many of our missions occur on a cold, rainy night. This can make tasks much more challenging. How will you see to perform your task? What could happen if your equipment gets wet? Are you well prepared to stay warm and dry? Have you tested these things?

We should never take shortcuts during training. The human mind will cause you to repeat performance unconsciously if you have performed it that way several times. During training perform tasks as if it were a real scenario. Your mind and body will perform as it has been taught.



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SouthernLinc
Michael Stone

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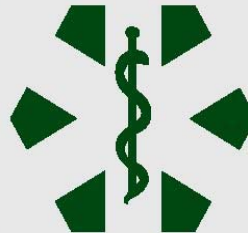
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