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FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

From the Desk of the President

Hope this letter finds everyone and their families doing well. Of course this is the time for bad weather in Alabama. Everyone please be weather aware and stay safe as possible while you and your squad is out helping your community. If there's anything your association can do to help let us know.

I would like to thank Scottsboro Jackson County rescue squad for hosting the first quarterly meeting. As always they made us feel at home and did a great job. The food was great as always. We did have an unexpected cave rescue call out while we were there though. We appreciate the extra help from the squads that were able to break free and come help.

I would like to give a big thank you to Jeff Randall with RATSAR who gave us a preview of the upcoming classes that the association are getting out to the squads and other interested agencies. I think the first classes will be held April 23rd and 24th in Jackson county. More classes will be posted online soon. They're also being update on the upcoming fall training. There is also an AARS instructor application online now. Please see if you qualify and put your application in as soon as possible. We need as many instructors as possible across the state. David Holcombe has put together an AARS instructor class that will be available soon. A big thank you to him and everyone on the education and training committee for all their hard work and dedication the last couple of years. The association is pushing forward to make our volunteers the best trained rescuers as possible.

Another big thank you to Chad Tillman who gave us an update on the drone program. If not for his and Brian Moses hard work and dedication to this project it would not have been possible. Also it would not have been possible without the Grant from the Alabama association of RC&D councils. If you don't know who your local council is please research and reach out to them. They are a great resource for grants to local rescue squads. The first five drones have been awarded and put into service. Congratulations to Carbon Hill, Phil Campbell, Huntsville-Madison county, Morgan county, and LASAR for being chosen to receive these drones. They were awarded and put into service last month. If your squad is in need of assistance with one of these drones please reach out to one of these squads for help. We hope this makes a big impact on the entire state. We hope that this is just the beginning of this project and it grows to be even bigger.

Lots of stuff is coming up for the association and its members this year. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Daphne in May. Till then stay safe and remember this is your association so get involved and make a difference.

Brian Bailey
President

From the Desk of the 1st Vice President

Thanks for the great Meeting at Scottsboro, they did an outstanding job the last quarterly meeting. It was great seeing everyone; we had a great turnout.

As we approach the start of the hot summer months, be sure to keep hydrated. It seems Covid Delta strain is making it self-know. If you have not been Vaccinated, please consider to do so.

With the start of all the classes to be started be sure to attend what you can. The instructors that put the classes on are some of the best and they need to be successful.

Don't forget the Conference is fast approaching us again; it will be here before you know it, if there are any classes you would like to have let us know and we will do our best to have them.

Hope to see all of you in Daphne in May. Thank You all for your continuing support

Danny Butler
1st Vice President

From the Desk of the 2nd Vice President

Another year is flying by, it seems as if the year just started and now we are almost halfway through. We have a lot of things in the works for the AARS and I ask that everyone be patient with me as we build classes and get things organized. Things are coming into place but everything new is a process. We are growing the future of the AARS and it takes time, care and good roots to grow anything. Thanks again for your help and influence on the things to come for the AARS. "None of us is so mature that we cannot be influenced. The question is who or what do we want to shape our lives?" Lois Tverberg. Another year is flying by, it seems as if the year just started and now we are almost halfway through. We have a lot of things in the works for the AARS and I ask that everyone be patient with me as we build classes and get things organized. Things are coming into place but everything new is a process. We are growing the future of the AARS and it takes time, care and good roots to grow anything. Thanks again for your help and influence on the things to come for the AARS. "None of us is so mature that we cannot be influenced. The question is who or what do we want to shape our lives?" Lois Tverberg.

David Holcombe
2nd Vice President

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FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

First Quarterly Meeting February 19, 2022

Colors posted by the Honor Guard

Opening prayer by Chaplain Hoyt McCaghren

Welcome by Eddie Tigue

Special Guests:

Jim McKamey- Mayor

Gerald Nance - County Commissioner

Senator Steve Livingston

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes made by Desoto. Motion seconded by Daphne. Motion carried.

Financial report was read by Debbie Tidwell. Motion to accept the financial report was made by Daphne. Motion was seconded by Desoto. Motion carried.

Chauncey spoke about the bills that have been presented. There was \$20,000 to be divided between Rescue Squads, Ambulance Services and 911 Centers.

\$10,200 will be coming to the rescue squads could be more but not less. This is Covid Response Grants. Go to frf.alabama.gov. There will be another round coming in June or July, 1.06 billion.

Danny Butler had no new squad to present. Spoke about another EMS cruise.

David Holcombe, no ROQ. We need squads to send in letters for Rescue of the Quarter.

Danny Smith with the Ways and Means Committee gave report on the Grants turned in for the Quarter. There were 4 applications turned in, all were approved.

Chad Tillman gave an update on the drones.

55 squads present. Remember you have to attend at least 2 meetings to prevent going on probation.

Thank you to Scottsboro -Jackson for hosting meeting.

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2nd Quarterly Meeting
May 21, 2022
Daphne City Hall
1705 Main Street
Daphne, AL 36526

Hosted by Daphne Rescue Squad

Agenda

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

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