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JARRELL FIRE & RESCUE

3RD QUARTER (JULY - SEPTEMBER) 2025



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Greetings From the Chief's Seat!

Welcome to the first of the quarterly newsletters from Williamson Co. ESD #5 (Jarrell Fire & Rescue) Thanks to everyone's favorite HR rep, Lil V, for taking on this new idea of hers.

2025 was a much milder wildland season thus far after a wetter-than-usual summer with lower-than-expected temperatures. The third quarter saw the second most calls in a quarter in the history of JFR!

Welcome to our newest firefighter, AJ Selvera, and his fiancé, Orion. The third quarter also saw the promotion process for Lieutenant. Our *congratulations* go to newly promoted Driver Chayton Drake and newly promoted Lt. Devin Fontenot.

Welcome! We continue our baby boom, welcoming Levi Hamline and Meredith Drake in the third quarter of 2025 and anticipating more littles from Corey & Hannah Wade and AJ & Orion Selvera.

Jarrell Fire was able to send firefighters to the Texas Hill Country from Liberty Hill to Kerrville to aid in the July floods.

The approved budget includes a highway blocker vehicle and 2 admin trucks, plus at least 3 additional firefighters and up to as many as 9 if the SAFER grant is awarded.

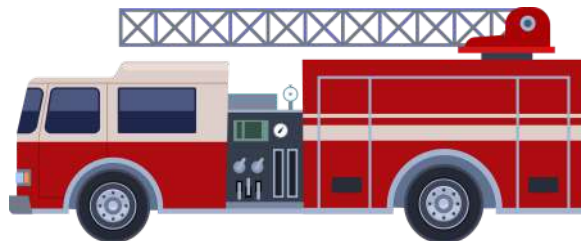
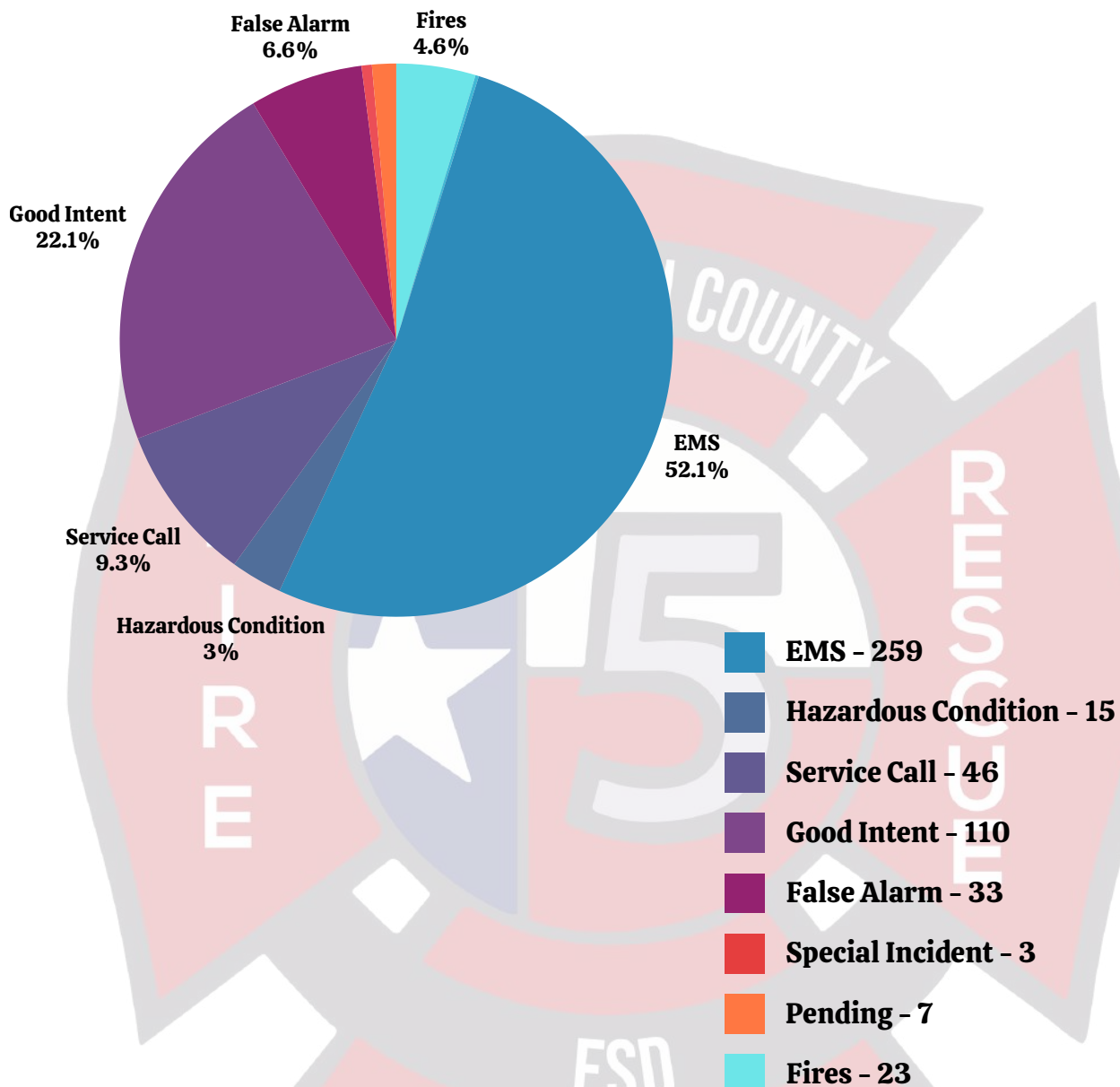
The Fire Marshal's office finally got some needed full-time assistance as the residential and commercial growth is here, with more on the way. Jeremy House joined Chief Belcher to assist in getting the growing number of inspections and plans reviews covered.

It is an exciting time to be at Jarrell Fire as we see potential growth that has stations 3 and 4 on the radar and an updated vision plan forthcoming in the 1st quarter of 2026. Visions that will be cast include the stations, apparatus, and personnel.

On behalf of the entire administrative staff, we wish you a safe 4th quarter and happy holidays!

God Bless you, your families and Jarrell Fire & Rescue
Chief Ron

2025 Q3 INCIDENT STATISTICS



JFR IN THE COMMUNITY

Crews were in the school zones at the three elementary schools to welcome kids back and remind drivers to slow down and stay alert.



We love interacting with the community!

Honor Guard posted the colors at the annual TCDRS Conference.



JER IN THE COMMUNITY



Lt. Nielsen and FF Grinnell



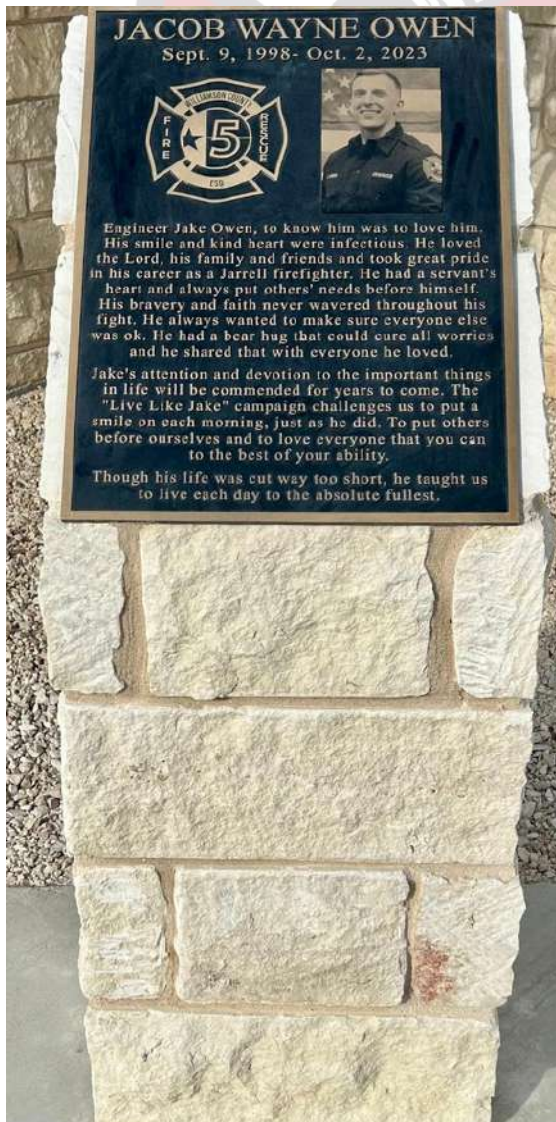
Thanks to Jarrell Montessori School
for the little library.



Thank you IGO Elementary, for the first
responder breakfast.

JAKE OWEN MEMORIAL

On September 6th, 2025, friends and family gathered to unveil the memorial to honor our brother Jake Owen. This was a very special project led by Captains Trenton Hernandez and Josh Louis, funded by the Jarrell Professional Firefighters Association Local 5104. They went above and beyond in their attention to detail, making sure it was perfect. Jake will live on forever in our hearts.



DEPARTMENT TRAINING

Jarrell Fire Rescue stays busy with our training schedule to ensure we are equipped for any scenario.



Confined Space
Training



Ropes Rescue



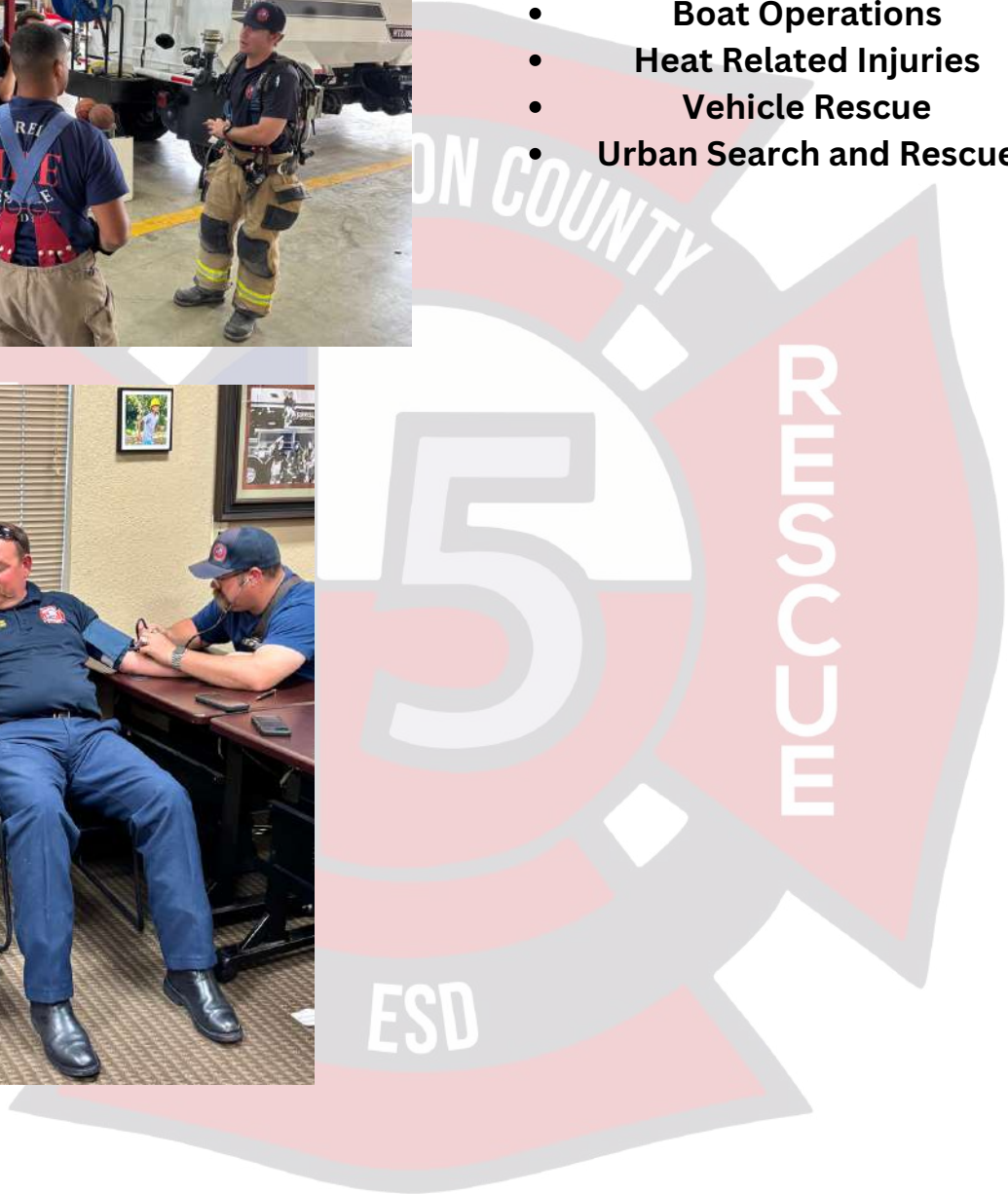
Active Shooter
Training

DEPARTMENT TRAINING



Other trainings this quarter:

- Wildland Fires
- Medical - Airway
- Boat Operations
- Heat Related Injuries
- Vehicle Rescue
- Urban Search and Rescue



FIREFIGHTER IN FOCUS



FF Paris Williams

Paris is 30 and was born in Chicago but raised in Southern Mississippi. His family came to Texas after Hurricane Katrina. He is the youngest of 4 siblings, two older brothers and one older sister. Paris is a business owner and likes to spend his free time with his girlfriend and two dogs. He enjoys going to car shows and supporting local community charity events.

Paris has known since early grade school that he wanted to be a firefighter. Many fire departments are involved in their communities by attending schools and presenting fire safety to children, and that's exactly how Paris was inspired to be a firefighter. He distinctly remembers the fire safety presentation at his school post-9/11 that inspired his career choice.

He started his journey in the fire service by attending the MCC Fire Academy in Waco, TX. He was offered a welding scholarship, but declined because his heart was set on the fire service. He worked at Temple Fire and Rescue for 4 years and began working at Jarrell Fire and Rescue in February 2025. He loves to serve this community.

He would like to thank his girlfriend, Desiree, and his mom for always supporting him through his journey.

SAFETY TIPS FOR FALL

- **Clear Excess Leaves**

Something as simple as a pile of leaves can be a potential fire hazard.

- **Check Your Heating System**

Regularly replace furnace filters and burner areas clean and clear.

- **Check Smoke Alarm Batteries**

A simple way to remember is to check at the start of each season.

- **Keep Your Fireplace Clear of Debris**

Always have your chimney inspected each year before use.



JARRELL FIRE ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries

Fire Chief Ron Stewart 3 Years (July)

Engineer Howdy Cummings 7 Years (July)

Captain Trenton Hernandez 4 Years (July)

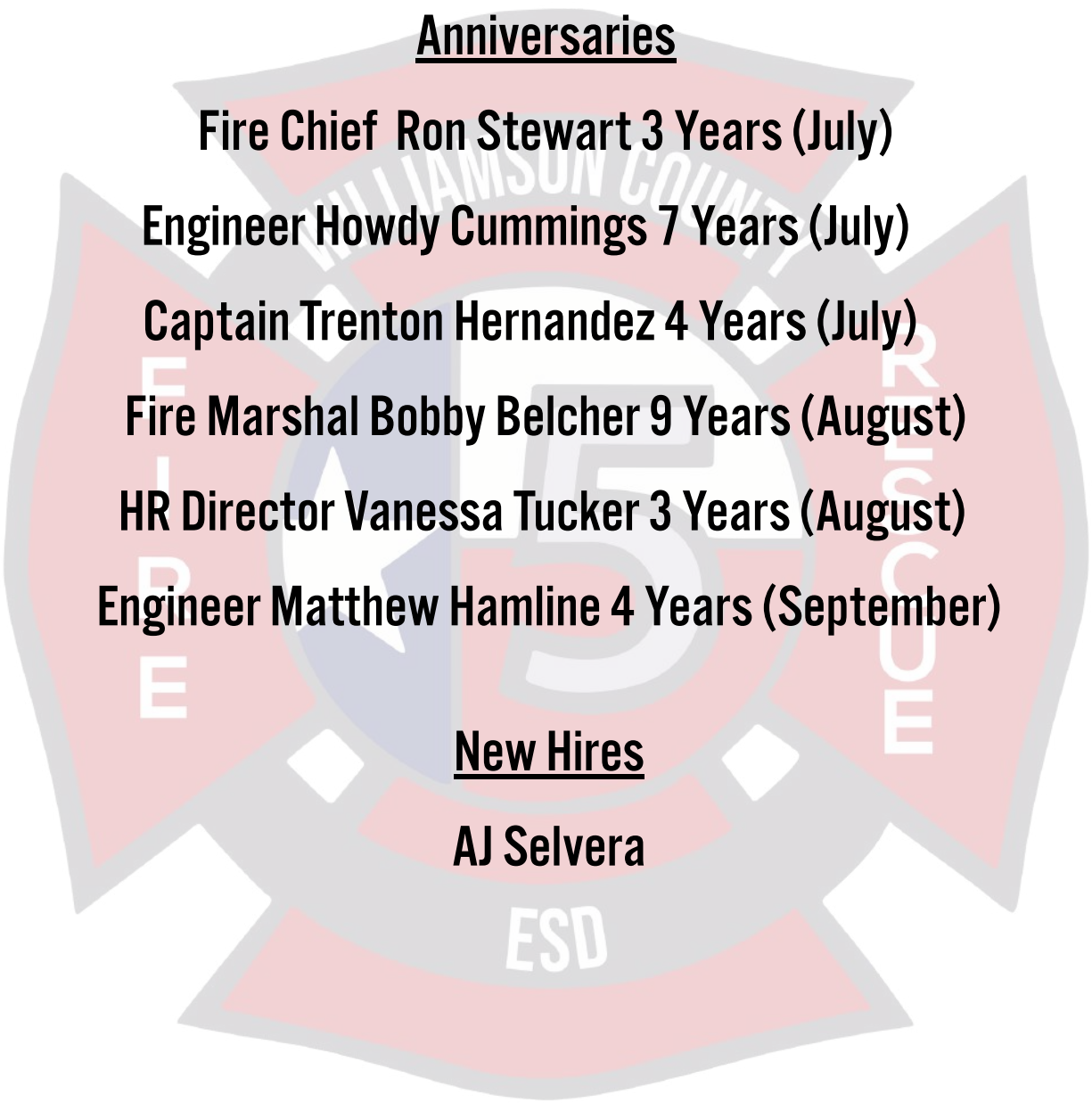
Fire Marshal Bobby Belcher 9 Years (August)

HR Director Vanessa Tucker 3 Years (August)

Engineer Matthew Hamline 4 Years (September)

New Hires

AJ Selvera



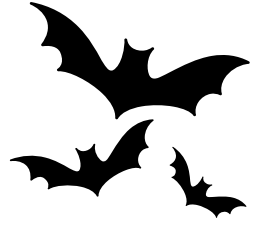
UPCOMING EVENTS



October 25th, 2025

Annual Trunk or Treat

5pm-7pm 212 N 5th Street, Jarrell Fire Station 1



October 25th, 2025

Push In Ceremony

4pm-4:30pm 212 N 5th Street, Jarrell Fire Station 1

