

# TALKING FIRE



## MISSION STATEMENT

The primary mission of the Stratford Fire Department is to provide a range of programs to protect the lives and property of the inhabitants of the City of Stratford from the adverse effects of fires, sudden medical emergencies or exposure to dangerous conditions created by man or nature.

Talking Fire will provide information related to emergency response, training, fire prevention and public education. We will also be introducing the men and women that work very hard on a daily basis to provide fast, efficient and effective emergency response. James Clements, Fire Chief.

Chief Clements was born and raised in Stratford and has served 30 years with the Fire Department. Jim is a director with the Stratford Culliton Hockey Club and a board member of St. John Ambulance. He enjoys gardening and fishing.



## HISTORY

This issue is dedicated to the memory of Fire Chief Hugh Durkin and Firefighter Carl Schultz, two extremely brave and courageous firefighters who lost their lives while fighting fires in the City of Stratford.



## STATS - JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2004

### FIRE SUPPRESSION:

- EMERGENCY RESPONSES
- JANUARY 118
- FEBRUARY 109

### FIRE PREVENTION:

- INSPECTIONS 221
- PUBLIC EDUCATION 27

### TRAINING EVOLUTIONS:

- |                                      | PERSON HOURS |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| • WATER/ICE RESCUE                   | 66 HRS       |
| • CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION      | 62 HRS       |
| • TERRORISM/HAZARDOUS MATERIALS      | 60 HRS       |
| • SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS | 68 HRS       |
| • INCIDENT DOCUMENTATION             | 192 HRS      |

## FIRE SAFETY TIP

If a fire broke out tonight while you were sleeping, would you and your family get out alive? The Fire Department encourages every household to develop a home fire escape plan and practice it regularly. Make sure every family member knows two ways out of your home. Establish a common meeting place away from the house so that everyone can be accounted for and call the fire department from your neighbour's home. Never re-enter a burning building to try to save possessions.

**ANYONE WITH QUESTIONS IN REGARDS TO FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY IS ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU AT 271-3212.**