

NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ann E. Wall, City Manager
DATE: December 11, 2019
SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

1. A memo from Eric Griffin, Fire/Rescue Chief, regarding live fire training on Friday, December 13, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the Glen Arthur Neighborhood
2. A memo from Eric Griffin, Fire/Rescue Chief, regarding participation in local toy drive

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Attachments ..

FIRE/RESCUE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ann Wall, City Manager
FROM: Eric Griffin, Fire/Rescue Chief *EG*
DATE: December 5, 2019
SUBJECT: GFR Conducting Live Fire Training

Greenville Fire/Rescue, in conjunction with Pitt Community College, will be conducting a live fire training on Friday, December 13, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the area of the Glen Arthur Neighborhood. The training may produce moderate to heavy amounts of smoke, however is not expected to pose an immediate danger to life and/or health. Notice has been sent to residents in the area.

The vacant structures being used for the training were donated to the City of Greenville. Trainings like these allow firefighters the opportunity to train in real-life situations, with a reduced risk.



FIRE/RESCUE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ann Wall, City Manager
FROM: Eric Griffin, Fire/Rescue Chief *EG*
DATE: December 6, 2019
SUBJECT: Greenville Fire/Rescue Collects Thousands for Local Toy Drive

Greenville Fire/Rescue is joined by the City of Greenville, Pitt County Schools, the Salvation Army, Greenville Utilities Commission, NC State Highway Patrol, the Greenville Hilton, and Inner Banks Media for the 31st annual Pitt County Operation Santa Claus. The operation began in the Fire/Rescue department more than three decades ago and we are excited it has since expanded to include many other organizations – because that means more toys, more kids, and more smiling faces on Christmas Day. Each year, the drive brings in thousands of toys for local families.

There are many toy drives this time of year, but what sets Operation Santa Claus apart from the others is that every toy collected will stay in Pitt County. Area families apply to the Salvation Army to receive gifts. Once the families are vetted, and if a need is determined, those families come to pick up their child-specific toys before Christmas. Operation Santa Claus 2019 began in November and the collection boxes will be out until Monday, December 16th.

Another way money is raised for Operation Santa Claus is through the Christmas with the Embers Benefit Concert. This year's date is set for Tuesday, December 17, 2019, and is hosted by Reimage Church. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and music starts at 7:00 p.m. You'll hear all your favorite holiday classics and sacred songs. Thanks to the generous sponsors, every penny from ticket sales goes back to purchase toys for kids in Pitt County. Last year, the event brought in more than \$16,000.