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EMS COUNCIL VOTES TO OPEN PAULDING ZONE

The Northwest Georgia Region 1 Emergency Medical Services Council voted on September 17, 2013 to open the Paulding County zone. This follows the recommendation of the Transportation Committee after Sam Clark informed the committee of his intention to sell Clark Ambulance Service to Metro Atlanta Ambulance. All Licensed Ambulance Services operating in Region were notified on Thursday Oct 3rd that the zone will open on Friday October 4th and close at 5P on October 15th, 2013. They are invited to submit proposals to become the zoned provider in Paulding County. The Transportation Committee will meet on October 18, 2013 at 10A at Trinity Baptist Church to make a formal recommendation for the zone provider for the Paulding County zone. The EMS Council will consider this recommendation at the regular meeting on October 24, 2013. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma for the final decision once approved by the council.

NEW ZONING PLAN APPROVED BY EMS COUNCIL

The Northwest Georgia Region 1 EMS Council approved a new regional ambulance zoning plan at the September 17, 2013 meeting. The plan uses a standard template for all ambulance zones and assigned services provided by the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma. The plan is posted on the Northwest Georgia EMS website.

EMS COUNCIL TO CONSIDER TRAUMA CENTER REQUEST TEMPLATE

The Northwest Georgia Region 1 EMS Council voted to approve a trauma center request template to be used to provide input on making a recommendation to the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma on requests from hospitals to be designated as trauma centers. The template will be used to consider the proposal by Redmond Regional Medical Center to be designated a level 3 trauma center. The template has been sent to Renee Morgan SOEMS&T Trauma Manager to be considered as a statewide template to be used in all regions and/or merged with on

another region is creating too.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER 24, 2013

EMS-C 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
RTAC 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
LUNCH 11:30 - 12:00 p.m.
COUNCIL 12:00 p.m. – 501C3 – After Council mtg

All meetings will be held at the Trinity Baptist Church located at 1170 Rome Road in Calhoun, Georgia.



SCOTTY FROST OBITUARY

Mr. Scottie Joe Frost age 55 of Chatsworth passed away Saturday September 14, 2013. Scottie served as a paramedic for over 20 years in both Murray and Whitfield counties. His funeral was Monday, September 16, 2013. We will miss you Scotty.



FLOYD COUNTY POLICE OFFICER SAVES PATIENT WITH AED

Floyd County Police Officer Chad Matthews, pictured above, did not know that his medical skills would be required when he responded to a domestic dispute near Cave Springs, Georgia. The male in his fifties had struggled with another relative and the police had been called. Just after Police Officer Chad Matthews interview the man he said "I think I'm about to pass out." It appeared to Matthews that the man then went into cardiac arrest. "He wasn't breathing," he added. "He didn't have a heartbeat." Matthews then grabbed an automated external defibrillator, connected it to the man and checked his vital signs. The officer delivered a shock, and the machine again checked the man. This time the machine, which can deliver instructions, advised Matthews to perform CPR, he said. The officer gave the man 30 compressions and two rescue breaths. "He coughed, and he started breathing again," Matthews said. The AED had been provided by a federal grant through the Georgia Public Health District 1.1 office in Rome after being submitted by David Loftin of the

Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma. Training of all Rome Police, Floyd County Police and Floyd County Sheriff Department officers by Redmond Regional Medical Center EMS staff was coordinated by Sherry Peace. The grant supplied AEDs to all police vehicles in Floyd County. Officer Matthews received commendations from his department and is in consideration for Officer of the Year.

EMS EDUCATORS MUST RELICENSE BY DECEMBER 31, 2013

All EMS Educators in Georgia must apply for re-licensure by submitting a form to the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma by December 31, 2013. The form is posted on the Northwest Georgia EMS webpage.

All Region 1 EMS Educators that are the offices blast email have been email the form. If you did not receive it, then either pull the form of the Northwest GA EMS Website or email David Foster at the Region 1 Office for a copy. A

All forms are to be mailed directly to SOEMS in Atlanta and not the regional offices.