From the Fire Department

Fire Employee Spotlight

Full-Time Firefighter Paramedic, Lieutenant Reno Contipelli

- Hired in 1992
- Past president and treasurer of Local 702, SERT Hazmat Team (2003) Cuyahoga County Type 1 Hazmat Team (2008)
- Education Master Public Administration in Emergency Management, B/A education, Associates Degree in Fire Technology
- National and State presenter on school safety, Attorney General DeWine (2011) statewide school safety committee, Gov Kasich appointment to Local Government Innovation Fund Committee (2011-17) Cuyahoga Hts. School Board 1994-2013, OSBA All-Ohio School Board 2008,
- Work part time for Ohio School Board Association as Regional Manager and Teach Hazmat for Cleveland State University

"I like working at CHFD because I enjoyed working with my fellow firefighters past and present, growing up in Cuyahoga Hts. and being able to give back to the community, being able to be on two regional hazmat teams and the training and teaching opportunities over the past 30 years."



From all of us, we wish everyone a safe and Happy Memorial Day. It is an important time to remember all those Americans who have fought to keep this country safe and free. It is a day to honor and respect the armed forces, those who have already sacrificed, and those who continue to serve our country still today.



From the Fire Department (continued)

Every two years the Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department teams up with Cuyahoga Heights Schools, Cuyahoga Heights Police Department, Brooklyn Heights Fire and Police Departments, and Valley View Fire and Police Departments to do a mock car accident.



This drill is done for the Junior and Senior classes before prom and graduation. The drill is used not only for the training of the participating departments but more importantly to show the students the consequences of drinking and driving and driving.



We hope the program impacts every student as they continue through high school and after graduation and we wish the best to the class of 2022.