

CENTRAL YAVAPAI FIRE DISTRICT HONOR GUARD

The Central Yavapai Fire District Honor Guard was formed in 2010. Several firefighters had discussed the formation of an Honor Guard off and on for a couple of years. Chief Parrish had also been considering the formation of an Honor Guard and when he was approached by the firefighters he along with Chief Bliss and Chief Dalton encouraged and supported the formation of a District Honor Guard. The Honor Guard is comprised of nine team members who underwent 40 hours of intensive training on protocol, basic drill and ceremonial movements, flag etiquette and flag folding procedures, various types of service performances such as the presentation of colors at public ceremonies, parades and funerals.

The Central Yavapai Fire District Honor Guard's first performance was at the graduation ceremony for the 2010 Reserve Firefighter Graduation. The Honor Guard will perform at line of duty deaths for fallen firefighters or retired firefighters. The team will also make appearances at parades, formal ceremonies and other events such as Patriot's Day. The Honor Guard team members are team commander Engineer Duplessis, Firefighter Brown, Engineer Burch, Firefighter Cruz, Firefighter Fournier, Firefighter King, Engineer Olson, Firefighter Pacheco and Captain Prange.

The Central Yavapai Fire District Honor Guard would eventually like to add a pipes and drums section and donations to help support and obtain additional equipment and supplies are welcomed. For further information about the Central Yavapai Fire District Honor Guard contact Engineer Duplessis at 772-7711.