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All Members

From: Chief John M. Buckman III

Re: Electronic Social Networking policies

Date: June 2009

If you have a facebook or similar electronic media account and your personal profile indicates you are a member of GTFD and you decide to send or use vulgar, profane, inappropriate and/or sexual messages DELETE any and ALL references to your relationship with the GTFD.

This fire department does not condone, practice or accept the above described behaviors.

The Fire Department does not censure your ability to communicate in any form you desire and we do support an individual communicating in any form they desire. We do believe that we have the right to limit the use of the FD name and uniforms or other identification items associated with or provided by this fire department to members.

If you decide to write on facebook or any other similar electronic media about a GTFD response DO NOT mention any individuals name involved in the response or give a street address of the residence where the call occurred. This type of action may be considered an invasion of privacy and will expose you personally to a potential liability claim.

If you desire to bad mouth, criticize or gossip about other individuals not just those on the fire department then you are expected to remove any association with the fire department from your Facebook account.

If you don't understand the term inappropriate message as described above - ask your mother what she would consider inappropriate and act accordingly. If your mother does not give you clear guidance ask me.

If you have a question about this policy contact me before sending messages on electronic social networking sites where you have identified yourself as a member of this fire department.

Taking pictures of emergency responses is limited by our photography policy. You shall not take pictures during emergency responses with your personal equipment for personal use.

Member Signature

Date Signed