



May 2022

WHERE'S THE FIRE (CORPS)?

2022 Governor's Volunteer Service Award for Service to Community



It is with GREAT PRIDE that I get to congratulate you. You, the members of the Green Valley Fire Corps, have been selected to receive the **Governor's Volunteer Service Award for Service to Community**. This event took place Monday, May 2, 2022 in the Executive Tower at the Arizona State Capitol. The seating was limited. Senators Galbadon and Gowan both visited with members from Fire Corps and introduced them on the Senate Floor.



Above Left: Governors Officer of Youth, Faith and Family Services Director Maria Fuentes presents Governor's award to Kevin. Above Right: Governor Ducey congratulates Chief Wunder.



Fire Corps members visiting with Senate Gowan prior to being introduced on the Senate Floor. The link below will take you to the video clip of Kevin receiving the award.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NUc2tgKwVGpRd1ELGitpK4bx4-16GWIi/view?usp=sharing>



The Arizona State Capitol in Phoenix photo credit to Jan Misner

What's New?

The KOLD 13 Heart and Sol Volunteer of the Week for the Tucson area is Jim Handley of the Green Valley Fire Corps. On Monday, April 11 KOLD13 Photojournalist Diana Cadena interviewed Jim Handley and presented him with a \$300 gift card.



Fire Corps Members Making a Difference

George and **Kathleen** did a great job and were practically in and out before we knew it! Thank you! Hugh McKenzie wanted to be sure that Fire Corps was aware of the terrific job that was done by **Ann Birch** and **Dale Sonnenberg** in changing his batteries. He praised them for being professional, fast, and friendly. Polite, respectful, friendly, and helpful individuals. Thank you so much for the wonderful service!! It is so important for the safety of those of us that can no longer climb on a ladder to have these wonderful volunteers to provide us with this program. They were so helpful from the first phone call to the replacement of batteries. Thank you again!! We appreciate the fire service performed by **Bob Senning** and **Anne**. **Bob** and **Anne** were very professional and knowledgeable. **Dave Vleck** and **Dale Sonnenberg** were friendly, thorough and efficient. **Rick** and **Rick** were knowledgeable and professional. They explained how our fire alarms work. We are very appreciated of this service provided by the GV fire department.



Thank you to both **Rick** and **Rick**.

Photo: Kevin, Denny, and Bob all set up for Fiesta Sahuarita at Anamax Park

Doug and **Dale** provided outstanding. service. Thank you. **Dennis** was very fast, efficient, courteous and credit to the Organization! Thank you, **Bonnie** for this great service to the community! The gentlemen were very professional and customer friendly. Professional guys, no wasted time. Smoke alarm program is super! Efficient and informative. **Bob S** and **Anne** were wonderful and very patient with complete replacement of all the smoke detectors. It was a very positive experience. My wife and I appreciated the telephone and postcard reminders that it was time to replace the batteries in our smoke detectors. GVFD volunteer **Dennis** was personable, thoughtful, and efficient. This service is invaluable. Keep up the good work! **Dale** and **Anne** were very efficient and kind! We were very pleased with their service. Thank you so very much! Both **John** and **Dan** were very polite, would answer any question I asked, were very professional and I would welcome them to perform any services needed to protect me or my home. Nice gentlemen! **Steve** and **Anne** were wonderful, professional, and a definite asset to your organization. **Maureen, Jim and Rick** were very professional and provided additional regarding the services they provide. **Dave** and **Karen** did a super job. Quick, professional, friendly. They're a great credit to Fire Corps . **Maureen** climbed to the top of a 10 foot ladder to change the battery in one of my smoke alarms. Both **Maureen** and **George** were friendly and efficient. **Dennis** was extremely knowledgeable and very, very thorough in his explanation of the need for battery replacement. He also updated us on the importance of replacing batteries every other year. He is definitely a welcome addition to the Green Valley Fire District Fire Corps. **Kathleen** and **Clem** were terrific. Knowledgeable – Professional – Friendly. **Dennis** was courteous, friendly and very helpful. **Maureen** and **John** came to my house to change my smoke alarms. They were just terrific.



SHiM

SHiM® (Safety and Health in Motion) is a program for the community that was developed in 2010 by the Green Valley Fire District with Valley Assistance Services. This fall prevention program combines a teamwork of RN's from Valley Assistance Services to assess for medical and health risk factors related to falls, and Green Valley Fire Corp Volunteers to assess environmental risk factors related to falls. This team provides a home visit together to assess for these risk factors. Those volunteers that are assisting from the Green Valley Fire Corp assess the environment in the house, electrical cords placement, height placement of everyday items, walkways, garages, outside surfaces, lightening, rugs, fire prevention including fire extinguishers and smoke alarms. The environmental assessment is done through a written checklist designed by the Green Valley Fire District. SHiM® has been a program which has helped over 1000 residents in the Green Valley area. Volunteer hours range from one visit a week (2 hours) to a couple of visits a week. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer for this program. Email Linda at l.walter@valleyassistanceservices.org if you are interested in helping. They are looking for 3 more volunteers.

In Memory of



Vincent "Vinny" Capizzano

June 4, 1954 – April 26, 2022

Watch for details this fall for a Celebration of Life for Vinny

May Birthdays

Jill Leach

Peggy Allen

Bob Budnick

Holly Chorba



Green Valley Fire Corps
Join the Team at 520/625.9400
