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Extensive Fire Department Training

The Green Bay Fire Department will be conducting live fire training and Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) training on August 11th and 12th on St. George Street.

WHEN: Thursday, August 11th and Friday, August 12th from 9am-4pm. **Call for specific times for best viewing.**

WHERE: 1805, 1809, and 1813 St. George Street

WHY: Live Fire Training-- In order to survive, firefighters must be able to think critically and clearly and solve problems quickly, under extreme stress. This can be especially difficult in an actual fire, so training instructors conduct live fire training drills: they purposely set buildings on fire to give firefighters opportunities to develop these skills. The overall goal of this behavioral training is to instill good habits in firefighters through repeated exposure.

USAR Training--Urban search-and-rescue (US&R) involves the location, rescue (extrication), and initial medical stabilization of victims trapped in confined spaces. Structural collapse is most often the cause of victims being trapped, but victims may also be trapped in transportation accidents, mines and collapsed trenches.

Urban search-and-rescue is considered a "multi-hazard" discipline, as it may be needed for a variety of emergencies or disasters, including earthquakes, hurricanes, typhoons, storms and tornadoes, floods, dam failures, technological accidents, terrorist activities, and hazardous materials releases. The events may be slow in developing, as in the case of hurricanes, or sudden, as in the case of earthquakes (content from FEMA Website).