



**News:** This year's Central Virginia EMS Expo was great as usual. Every year it gets bigger and better. Several Forest View Rescue Squad members attended various classes. The auction of Station 1 ended in February. Three items were moved to station 5, and five were moved to station 2 for storage. All remaining items were picked-up by the Salvation Army on March 24. The Salvation Army would not take the mattresses, wood chairs, old TV in the back, or broken copier. These items will either be given to another organization, or will go with the building when it is sold.

By the time this is published, station 5 will have been in operation for a couple of weeks. There have been several calls out of that station. Both D.J. and Thomas Totty are sending out mass emails with procedures needed to follow that are a little different than the other stations. When you get these, please read them carefully so we can operate safely and successfully out of station 5.

Finally, D.J. asked me to pass on information on the upcoming retreat. Again this year, it will be at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth. After a survey, the dates were set for June 30 thru July 2. Please mark your calendar now. Emails will be going out later telling you about the planned activities and how to sign-up. One thing you can look forward to, is the special activity set for this year. We will be riding the water ferry to a home Tidewater Tides ball game. This will include a supper at the field.

**A Message from the Chief, Alice Beachy** I am always impressed with the time and effort that is put into Forest View by its members. Most have finished the infection control training on time and we thank you for that. Others, I am sure, will be hearing from Gail.

We continue to rearrange crews to find the best fit. Thanks to all for your patience and cooperation.

Station 5 is going well, Lieutenants, hats off to you for all your hard work with staffing station 5. As we all know, DJ wanted to be on the unit the first night. He hurt his back and was unable to ride the first night as planned. However, guess who got the first call, DJ, even though he did not ride the first night!

Congratulations DJ, you deserved it.

Don't forget to mark your calendars:

May 16, 18, and 21 – EVOC

May 21 – Open house at station 5

June 30-July 2 – FVRS retreat