



Near-Miss Matters

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Welcome to the second issue of Near-Miss Matters. 2010 is off to a great start with 184 new reports posted to www.firefighternearmiss.com. This is the most reports we have received in a single month since the program's inception in August 2005. We also had more web site visitors in January than ever before. Thank you to everyone who took the time to submit a report or visit the Web site.

Be sure to read the February calendar case study about rope rescue training by Battalion Chief Katherine Ridenhour of the Aurora Fire Department (CO). It's not too late to order calendars for your department. Send your mailing address and the quantity you need to ahultman@iafc.org.

In next month's Near-Miss Matters, we want to debut a new feature that will highlight a near-miss report and changes the individual or the department has made since the event. If you would be interested in being featured, please e-mail ahultman@iafc.org. Your anonymity will remain publicly protected as that is at the core of our program. And remember you have until Friday, February 5 to submit your resume for the Near-Miss Report Reviewer. Click on the link under "What's New" for more information. Thanks for your commitment to firefighter safety and please let us know if you have any ideas for Near-Miss Matters. Until next month, stay safe.

What's New

→ 2010 Near-Miss Calendars: Receive free copies by selecting this [link](#) and submitting your name, address and the quantity needed.

→ Don't forget February 5th is the deadline for submitting your resume for the Near-Miss Report Reviewer position. Select this [link](#) to view the description; if you have any questions e-mail ahultman@iafc.org.

ROTW

- [ROTW 012110](#): Intuition averts a dangerous front door greeting. (09-1120)
- [ROTW011410](#): Are those brake lights? (10-013)
- [ROTW 010710](#): My mask is frozen I can't breathe! (09-1001)

Resources

- Grouped Reports for Training: [Head Burn Injury](#)
- Create your own department Report of the Week Binder. Select this [link](#) to print a cover and spine graphic.

Upcoming Events

- [Andy Fredericks' Memorial Seminar](#)
February 6, 2010
Tarrytown, NY
- Gainesville, Florida Regional Training
February 16-19, 2010
Gainesville, FL
- [2010 Mid Atlantic Expo & Symposium](#)
February 26-27, 2010
Virginia Beach, VA

Poll Results

In conjunction with ROTW 09-159, what is your department's policy for controlling electric services?	
No policy.	5%
Shut off power at the main breaker box.	34%
Routinely allow fire personnel to pull the meter.	8%
Fire personnel pull meter only if life is in danger.	8%
Pulling the meter is left to the power company only.	45%
Total	148

[Vote in the current poll!](#)

Testimonial

The Report of the Week is sent to our personnel each week and they are encouraged to complete at least one hour of training on it. The feedback from our members in the field has been very favorable and I feel that their situational awareness toward safety has been elevated.

Eugene Hull Lieutenant, Training Division Columbus Fire and EMS (GA)



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