

Mug Shots / Meet the Geeks

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These three amigos made a rare joint appearance [Wednesday on Wesvill Court](#). If the pose looks familiar, that's 'cause they were photographed at a two-alarm fire five years ago in the same location. Might have been the very same building that burned. [Remember that pose they struck?](#)



Far right is Jeff Harkey. He's the editor and founder of [FireNews](#), and also helped create [Carolinas Fire Page](#) way back when. He's a lifelong buff and veteran fire photographer, and helped form a Raleigh Fire Department Photo Unit around 1990. You should see his scrapbooks! Jeff's an architect specializing in major event planning and operations as well as web designer by day, and he has a big hand in working with the South Atlantic Fire Rescue Expo each year.

Center is Lee Wilson. This guy's been [photographing firefighters and fire apparatus](#) for 21 years now. If you're not from around here, you probably met him many years ago, when he was travelling the state and seemingly trying to photograph every fire engine to be found. He's a photographer for the Raleigh Fire Department, as well as Wake County EMS. As for all those older apparatus pictures, he's presently scanning and identifying a couple hundred Macks that he has photographed. More on that in a moment.

Left is Mike Legeros. Moi. While in college, he got a job at Traffic Patrol Broadcasting. One of his duties was monitoring a scanner. You can guess where that led. Narrowly avoiding a career in radio, he instead joined the Raleigh Fire Department in 1989. Worked a couple years as a city firefighter (Stations 19, 15, 5, 16) and went back to school. Next career was the software industry, first as technical trainer and now as a web guy. Mikey got [bitten by the history bug](#) around 2001 and got [serious about incident photography](#) around 2005. He's the Raleigh Fire Department's historian as well as one of their photographers. Ditto as a photog for Wake EMS. Ergo the blue helmet. He also has the longest of these three bios. What an ego on that guy!

I am going to have to come down and hang out with you guys some time! I have only met you Legeros. I have talked to Harkey too much to have never met him though!

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Dems ah bunch of sum fin fellers in dat der piktur!!!

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