

**The Year in Review**

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*Legeros Fire Photography*

[Twelve months of incidents and events](#) as seen through the lens of Mike Legeros. He's the one in the Hawaiian shirt. Building fires, vehicle fires, hose streams, aerial streams, privates, paramedics, chief officers, incident commanders, promotional ceremonies, retirement lunches, MVAs, MCIs, USAR, haz-mat, trees down, buildings down, the Raleigh tornado, Wake County, Johnston County, downtown, down east, graduations, celebrations, the state EOC, the state firemen's convention, parades, public education, axes, helmets, ambulances, radios, pulling hose, loading hose, smiles, tears, and whole lot of shutter clicks.

Featured agencies include but are not limited to Raleigh FD, Raleigh PD, Wake County EMS, Durham FD, Bay Leaf FD, Warrenton FD, Warrenton PD, Soul City FD, Morehead City FD, Newport FD, Fuquay-Varina FD, Rolesville FD, Wake County EM, Six Forks EMS, Wake County FF Association, NC Task Force 8, Durham Highway FD, Cary FD, Western Wake FD, Stony Hill FD, Apex FD, Raleigh FD Historical Society, Wake-New Hope FD, NC Forest Service, Wake Forest FD, Cary EMS, Charlotte FD, Morrisville FD, Garner FD, Raleigh-Durham Airport ES, Selma FD, Selma EMS, Fairview FD, and the Dragon Slayers.

Thanks for everyone's support and assistance. [See the photos](#). See prior years on [Mike's photo archive page](#) or at [www.flickr.com/legeros](http://www.flickr.com/legeros). (See also prior posting about [picking these photos](#).)

*Legeros Fire Blog*

Renamed this year from the longer Raleigh/Wake Firefighting Blog. Total of 454,590 page views and 67,988 absolutely unique visitors, says Google Analytics. Total of 1022 topic postings, if my math is correct. Total of X posted comments, where X equals some number not yet computed. Might get around to that.

The process of posting comments was also updated. Reader remarks are now moderated. This change was effected a couple months ago. The reason for the change was my diminished tolerance for the negativity that was regrettably regularly recurring with operational questions and discussions about specific incidents. Or, short version: quarterbacking was getting out of hand.

Trends, thoughts, observations, observations on observations? Let me think about that. My favorite question for the Firegeezers and Dave Statter every year in Baltimore is "what have you learned since last year?" Will work on a response to that to myself. Meanwhile, here are some stats.

The top ten threads by unique page views:

1. [This Afternoon's Two Alarms / Avent Ferry Road](#) - 1,250

2. [Asheville Firefighter Killed, Another Critically Injured \(Updated\)](#) - 1,135
3. [Build Your Own Fire Truck](#) - 804
4. [Today's House Fire in Wake Forest](#) - 934
5. [Two Raleigh Firefighters Struck on I-40](#) - 874
6. [Wake Forest Receives New Ladder](#) - 839
7. [This Afternoon's House Fire / Basil Drive](#) - 658
8. [astern Wake Chimney Fire](#) - 723
9. [Reviewing the Storm Response - Unit Numbering](#) - 774
10. [Quick Poll: Who Wears Shorts](#) - 746

The top ten threads by reader comments:

1. [This Afternoon's House Fire / Basil Drive](#) - 45
2. [This Afternoon's Two Alarms / Avent Ferry Road](#) - 41
3. [Wake Forest Receives New Ladder](#) - 40
4. [Quick Poll: Who Wears Shorts?](#) - 39
5. [Reviewing the Storm Response - Unit Numbering](#) - 38
6. [Falls Fire Department Fundraiser...](#) - 36
7. [Today's House Fire in Wake Forest](#) - 32
8. [This Afternoon's House Fire in Wake Forest](#) - 31
9. [This Morning's Two Alarms / Edwards Mill Road](#) - 31
10. [Eastern Wake Chimney Fire](#) - 30

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I may be a tad biased, but I'll say it anyway. Thank you for all of the amazing work, photos, and contributions that you give to Raleigh's bravest. I am in awe, every single day, of your passion and love for the fire service.

**Mrs. Blogger** - 01/01/12 - 12:49

Agreed Kudos and THANK YOU for what you do for the fire service in the greater Triangle area!

**shevais** - 01/01/12 - 13:40

Thanks Sweetie, thanks Shev. Now onto the new year, and we'll see what excitement a "twelve year" brings.

**Legeros** - 01/01/12 - 13:43

Yes Thank you for all the work that you do Mike and lets not forget Lee..... With the work you do photographing and blogging it has kept me in the loop with the happenings in Raleigh... Thanks again for your fine work..

**Jim** - 01/01/12 - 16:45

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