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Casa Grande Fire Department suffers loss of Fire Captain

Casa Grande, AZ, January 26, 2015: It is with a heavy heart that the Casa Grande Fire Department announces the loss of Fire Captain Phil Emmett. Captain Emmett, 42, passed away on Saturday, January 24, 2015 while off-duty. No information regarding the cause of death is available at this time.

Captain Emmett was hired as a paid—on-call firefighter in October, 1999. He became a full-time firefighter on October 1, 2001. He was a dedicated member of the department and was promoted to Engineer in 2007. On December, 9, 2007, Phil was promoted to the rank of Captain. Captain Emmett was also a Hazardous Materials Technician. During his career, he was recognized by community organizations such as the VFW and the Moose Lodge for his service. He was awarded Firefighter of the Year in 2006 and EMT of the year in 2009 by the Department.

At this time, we have no information regarding funeral arrangements. We will continue to release information as details become available.

During this most difficult time, we appreciate everyone’s condolences, support and respect for Captain Emmett’s family, his Fire Department family and the community he proudly served.

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