



In the Spotlight

Highlighting Exceptional Employees

Lisa Edwards

Management Analyst and Fire Department Public Information Officer

Lisa Edwards has served as the Public Information Officer for the Fire Department for four years. She keeps the community informed about positive events in the Fire Department and major structure fires. She also serves on the Fire Department's senior command staff, which makes command-level decisions for the department, including policies, operations and strategic planning.

Lisa and Diana Harris handle all of the administrative functions of the Fire Department, such as building and equipment maintenance and payroll. Lisa also does budgeting and as the quartermaster is responsible for pricing, ordering, distributing and replacing uniforms.

Lisa was chosen to receive the Village Pride Award by WCHL in November because of her work to support the Pink Heals Campaign. Pink Heals raises awareness for cancer research and funds for the Lineberger Cancer Center. Captain Byron Greeson leads the Pink Heals Campaign in Chapel Hill, and Lisa provides essential support, from distributing information to taking photos and assisting

with fundraising activities. Every October, Fire Department personnel wear pink shirts all month to show their support for the campaign.

Lisa wanted to work in the Fire Department because she admires Chief Dan Jones and his leadership style, so she was eager to apply when the opportunity arose. Lisa appreciates the department's cohesive family environment. She feels she can call on any co-worker for help and they'll come through.

Lisa is a Chapel Hill native and worked as a school bus driver for 23 years. She is working on a second master's degree in organizational leadership. She also has a master's degree in business administration.

Lisa has a daughter, Lakia, 21, and a three-year-old grandson, Josiah. She spends most of her free time with her grandson or her three dogs. She also enjoys singing and doing activities with her church family.

—Story by Melanie Miller

Value in the Spotlight Professionalism



Melanie Miller photo

"I don't think there is anything Lisa cannot do when she puts her mind to it. She repeatedly impresses me."

—Dan Jones, Fire Chief

RESPECT Values

- Responsibility
- Equity
- Safety
- Professionalism
- Ethics
- Communication
- Teamwork

