



# LIFEGUARD AMBULANCE SERVICE

## Monthly Operational Report -- October 2011

### Call/Transport Volume

656 Requests for Service

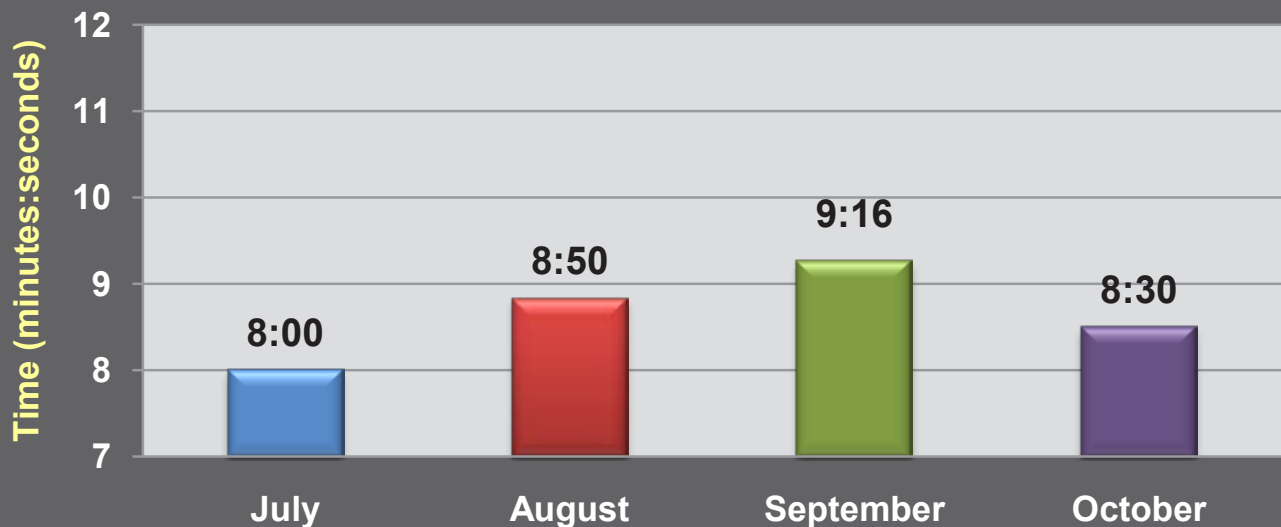
620 Transports

### Response Time Average

(Combined Rural & Urban)

8 minutes, 30 seconds

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### New Office

Lifeguard-Columbia County recently moved to its administrative office to a new location across the street from the County Courthouse. The operations supervisor, DIVA and records storage are all located in this 1,400 square foot building. The new office building also has a great view of the beautiful Olustee Park.



### Continued Growth

Lifeguard continues to grow and create jobs in Columbia County. In the month of October, Lifeguard added an additional four people to its employee roster. Also, one of Lifeguard's team members showed great leadership skills and was promoted from Paramedic/Field Training Officer to Lieutenant Supervisor. Congratulations, Chris Bethea on your promotion.



## *Community Involvement*

### Participation:

- Educational Safety Sessions at elementary schools
- Lake City Police Department's Halloween Safety Bash
- Lake Shore Hospital's 100th anniversary event
- Lunch & Learn

### Standby Events

- Columbia County Rodeo
- Columbia County Fair
- High School Varsity Football Games
- High School Cross Country Events

### Halloween Safety Bash

Lake City Police Department hosted the *Halloween Safety Bash*. This was a joint effort between the police department, fire department and Lifeguard, in order to provide children with a safe zone for Trick or Treating on Halloween. The police department accepted candy donations and had volunteers from within the community giving out candy to the kids. Along with the candy, Lifeguard gave ambulance tours to the kids and had a snow cone booth.



### Emergency & Safety

In October, Lifeguard visited the elementary schools for Educational Safety Sessions. They spent time with the kids, telling them how to be safe in various situations. The Lifeguard Teams also explained to these kids of who to call during an emergency. It is very important to Lifeguard to assure that children know what to do in an emergency situation and how to stay safe. Of course, after the learning session, the students were allowed to explore the back of the ambulances.



## *Lunch and Learn*

The guest speaker for this month's Lunch and Learn was Dr. Lyndon Box. His topic of choice was "Racing to Save Lives: Field Identification of ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction Patients." There were about 15 people in attendance from Lifeguard, local fire departments and paramedic students from City College.



Dr. Box has been an instrumental pioneer in the stemi alert program. The overall goal is to decrease the time it takes to get this type of cardiac patients from the door of an ER and up to the cath lab. Often times, this process starts with an ambulance transport. The ability to react quickly and decrease the door-to-balloon time requires great teamwork and understanding from the ambulance crew, ER physicians and nurses, and the cath lab.

