

**24th Year of the Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program
(2018-2019) 370 *Young heroes and counting!!!*
(7 Young Hero in FY 19)**

Acton

◆ **Kristen McCaffrey**

On Monday, October 8, 2018 (Fire Prevention Week coincidentally) 17-year old Kristen McCaffrey was home with her brother who is on the autism spectrum. She heard the smoke alarms sounding and found a fire in the kitchen. She struggled to persuade her brother to leave the house and stay out, and brought him to a neighbor's for safety. She called 9-1-1. Acton Fire Chief Hart was impressed with Kristen's ability to assist her brother under difficult conditions and by reporting the fire quickly, reducing the damage to the home.

Dartmouth

◆ **Kazin Chrisman**

On Friday, January 4, 2019, 10-year-old Kazin Chrisman was spending the day at his grandfather's home in Somerset. After deciding to order a pizza they were both seated in his grandfather's car when his grandfather experienced a medical emergency and became unconscious. Kazin immediately reached for his grandfather's cell phone, dialed 9-1-1 and calmly described his emergency to the dispatcher. Kazin stayed by his side until help arrived from the Somerset fire department, police and paramedics. His grandfather was taken to the Hospital and made a full recovery. Later that day police delivered a pizza to Kazin and shared it with him and his grandfather. Chief Richard Arruda and firefighter Anthony Poente of the Dartmouth (District 3) Fire Department credit Kazin for saving his grandfather's life.

Hudson

◆ **Loren De Freitas Vieira**

On Sunday, September 23, 2018, 6-year-old Loren De Freitas Vieira was at home with her mother. Loren's mom put food in the oven for dinner and then went to take a shower. Shortly after that Loren noticed smoke coming from the kitchen. When she investigated she saw fire coming from the oven. She immediately told her mother about the fire. Loren and her mom called 9-1-1, they exited their third floor apartment, closed the door behind them, activated the pull station and waited outside for the fire department to arrive. Chief Stephen Geldart, and Lieutenant Brian Harrington are proud that Loren put into practice what she had learned from the S.A.F.E program, including her and her mothers' quick actions which ultimately saved lives and property from further damage.

Mansfield

◆ **Ian Reddish**

On Wednesday, August 29, 2018, 17-year-old Ian Reddish, a senior at Mansfield High School was walking home from practice and found a man lying in his driveway, surrounded by his wife and daughter. The temp with the heat index measured over 100 degrees. 911 was called, but there was going to be a bit of a delay, so Ian stayed with the man, calming him and raised his upper body off the ground so the patient would not burn himself. When rescue arrived, Ian helped them bring the man inside to his house. He stayed to make sure all was well and helped keep the family calm. Ian did not know these people, but he helped anyways.

Sterling

◆ Darion Castillo

On Saturday, November 17, 2018, at approximately 2:00 p.m., 12-year-old Darion Castillo was at home and in the kitchen with his younger brother (Dominic) when he noticed that Dominic was choking on some food. Darion's mother and grandmother were in the next room and Darion shouted for their assistance. Darion, wasted no time and began abdominal thrusts to relieve the object from Dominic's airway which by now had become completely blocked by the obstruction. Darion continued the abdominal thrusts until the obstruction was fully relieved.

Wakefield

Cody and Caden Hourihan

On Sunday, November 1, 2018, at 4:50 p.m., 10-year-old Cody Hourihan and his 8-year-old brother Caden were at home with their mother when they noticed a fire in their kitchen. The boys alerted their mother, pointed out the location of their home extinguisher, and were very calm and helpful. Mom called 9-1-1 and the boys exited the apartment and went to their meeting place outside while mom put the fire out. When the fire department arrived the boys showed the fire fighters the best way to access the apartment. Chief Michael Sullivan of the Wakefield Fire Department is proud that Cody and Caden responded so quickly, which ultimately saved lives and property from further damage.