

Resident Alerted by Neighbor gets out of Burning House Safely St Lucie County Fire District will Recognize Good Samaritan

St. Lucie County, FL - The St. Lucie County Fire District will recognize neighborhood hero, Brian Kelsch as a Good Samaritan at this month's Fire Board meeting.

The presentation will take place tomorrow, July 27, 2022, at 3:00 pm, in the commission chambers at the St. Lucie County Fire District Administration offices, 5160 NW Milner Drive, Port St. Lucie FL.

On the evening of July 4th, Brian was sitting at home when he noticed smoke and flames coming from a nearby home. He immediately called 911 and ran to the house. He knocked on the door a few times, but no one answered even though he could see someone sitting in a chair playing a video game. He then realized that the resident was wearing headphones and began banging and yelling to get the occupant's attention.

The resident and two pets were outside when firefighters arrived, but one cat was still inside the home. The missing cat was quickly located and given oxygen to revive.

The Good Samaritan Award is given to someone who exemplifies extraordinary concern for others. Brian's quick and immediate actions helped mitigate a situation that could have had a very different outcome.