

St. Lucie County Fire District News Release



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St. Lucie County Fire Inspector Matthy Named Florida Fire Chiefs' Fire Inspector of the Year

St. Lucie County, FL – The Florida Fire Chiefs Association (FFCA) has named SLCFD Fire Inspector Michael Matthy the Fire Inspector of the Year. Matthy was recognized by the FFCA at the Fire-Rescue East Conference earlier this month in Daytona Beach, FL.

Fire Inspector Matthy has been with St. Lucie County Fire District (SLCFD) since 1992 and with the SLCFD Fire Prevention Bureau since 2004. He has worked tirelessly, completing over 2,200 inspections last fiscal year. In addition he has done plans review and site plan reviews. He has worked well with businesses to help them to become compliant with fire and life safety building codes.

“Fire Inspector Matthy has been diligent in his efforts to make St. Lucie County a safer place to live, he is so deserving of this recognition,” said SLCFD Fire Chief Ron Parrish.

In early January the Treasure Coast Fire Chiefs Association recognized Matthy by naming him Emergency Service Provider of the Year. In 2005 Matthy, along with four of his peers, were recognized by the Florida Fire Marshal's and Inspectors Association as Fire Investigator of the Year.

Matthy has also been active in the Christmas 4 Kids Toy Drive, Big Heart Brigade, and the Smoke Detector installation program. Matthy, and his wife Joanne, live in Ft. Pierce. They have one son, Christopher.

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Fire Inspector Mike Matthy, second from left, receives the Fire Inspector of the Year Award from the Florida Fire Chiefs Association. Presenting the award are, from left to right, St. Lucie County Fire Chief and FFCA President Ron Parrish, Matthy, St. Lucie County Fire Marshal and Deputy Chief Buddy Emerson, St. Lucie County Assistant Fire Chief and Secretary-Treasurer of FFCA Carlos Duran, and Port Orange Fire Marshal and FFCA Fire Prevention Chair Chris Weir.