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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Citizens Preform CPR until First Responders Arrive St. Lucie County Fire District presents the Citizen Hero Award**

**ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FL** - The St. Lucie County Fire District will present four Citizen Hero Awards at the next Fire Board meeting.

In two separate incidents good Samaritans stepped up and performed CPR until rescue workers arrived. Both of the patients are doing well today thanks to those efforts.

The presentation will be on Friday, January 12, 2017, at 1:00 pm, at the beginning of the rescheduled Fire Board Meeting, held at the St. Lucie County Fire District Administration offices, 5160 NW Milner Drive, Port St. Lucie FL.

On December 26, 2016, Station 8 responded to a cardiac issue in Nettles Island. Upon their arrival, the crew found that a man had collapsed outside of his home and was unconscious and unresponsive, but with a pulse; thanks to neighbors Barbara McSweeney and Bernie DuPlan.

On November 4, 2017, Station 14 responded to a Full Arrest at the PGA Learning Center. Upon their arrival, the crew came upon a very similar situation as the above incident; however, in addition to CPR, employees used the AED to shock the patient. If not for the quick actions by John Tuller and Bob Morin the outcome could have been very different.

“Unfortunately, cardiac arrest calls do not usually have happy endings, so it is especially nice to honor these four citizens today.” – Interim Fire Chief Nate Spera

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