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Badge Pinning Ceremony

On the evening of June 19th, 2018 Station 34 was full of Class A dress uniforms as Clallam County Fire District 3 came together to welcome our newest career firefighters. As is customary, after the daunting process of being hired into the fire service and a grueling year of probation, a firefighter's accomplishment is honored at a Badge Pinning Ceremony.

Surrounded by family, friends and coworkers, FF/EMT John McIntyre and FF/PM Mark Mullvain received their fire district badges. The event kicked off as Post #1003 Explorers Kylie Dunlap and Tyler Turner carried in the US and Washington State flags in, followed by Chief Ben Andrews, McIntyre and Mullvain. In true fire service form, processional was accompanied beautifully by Port Angeles bagpiper, Nathan Carroll.

After an Invocation and Blessing of the Badges delivered by Chaplin Dave Westman, Assistant Chief Eric Quitslund welcomed the assembly and shared a bit about the very different paths that brought these two individuals to this chapter of their lives. Chief Andrews administered the Firefighter Oath which is taken by every firefighter, volunteer or career, entering or promoting in the fire service. The oath includes the promise "to be ready at all times to help others when they can no longer help themselves."

It varies from district to district and at CCFD3, each firefighter chooses who will actually pin their badge on their uniform. John McIntyre was pinned by his wife Deana and Mark Mullvain chose his oldest son, William, to do the honors. After being congratulated by the Chiefs, and Commissioners Mike Gawley, James Barnfather and Steve Chinn, the new career firefighters enjoyed a round of group photos and a reception in their honor.

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