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Flagler County Fire Rescue Lt. Armando Castaneda twice honored in one week

October 16, 2019 – Fire Rescue Lt. Armando Castaneda received two honors in one week for his outstanding service to the residents of Flagler County.

Castaneda – who has worked for Flagler County for nine years – was named Firefighter of the Year by the Flagler-Palm Coast Kiwanis Club on October 9, and earned a Fire Safety Commendation Medal from the Flagler Chapter Sons of the American Revolution two days later.

“The Sons of the American Revolution through its Flagler Chapter presents a Fire Safety Commendation Medal to firefighter paramedics for accomplishments and outstanding contributions in the area of fire safety and service,” said David Kelsey, awards chairman.

Sons of the American Revolution President Charles Hayes presented Castaneda with a certificate while Tom Howard presented him the medal.

Deputy Fire Chief Joe King attended both awards ceremonies.

“Lt. Castaneda is very deserving of both of these honors,” King said. “He is a member of our Training Committee, Awards Committee, and adjunct instructor at our High School Fire Academy. He was influential in developing with other agencies the Active Shooter response in our county.”

Additionally, Castaneda provides training at conferences throughout the state of Florida. He also regularly attends training seminars and Hands On Training (HOT) conferences to bring the newest ideology and best practices back to Flagler County.

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