

Southern Ambulance

*The team to count on
when life is on the line.*

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A Message from:

Southern Paramedic CEO, Gary Padget

Sometimes the claim that “bad things come in threes” could not be more accurate. And, as we anticipate the impending holiday season, I am glad our “three” are behind us and left us not that worse for wear.

Even the expert driving status we insist on couldn't spare us from three vehicle collisions during a recent three-week period. Thankfully, no patients were involved, our ambulance crews did not suffer any serious injuries and the collisions were not our fault.

- 1. Driver ran a red light and T-boned us right at passenger door.*
- 2. A taxi coming merging on to a six-line express from an on-ramp lost control on wet pavement and was spinning out of control when it hit the front end of one of our ambulances.*
- 3. Our number “three” occurred when a huge deer ran into driver side of our ambulance and did major damage all the way from front bumper to back bumper.*

I would just ask you all to take special care during the holidays when there are more vehicles on the road. More families travel during the holidays to spend time with loved ones. Stresses are magnified, and distractions increase. Also, give our State's ambulance professionals and all first responders a wave during the upcoming holiday season. They will all be out there for your safety and care and not with their own families during Thanksgiving Dinner, during Chanukah and on Christmas morning. I am so grateful for our EMS personnel and their families who demonstrate their commitment to the residents and visitors in all our service areas, 24/7 and all year long.

To them and all our friends and EMS Stakeholders, Happy Holidays!

EMT/Paramedic and Dispatcher Recruitment/ EMS Careers

You're invited!

Southern Paramedic Service and Southern Care Ambulance seek qualified Arkansas licensed paramedics and EMTs for 9-1-1 emergency pre-hospital care and non-urgent medical transportation. We're matching a competitive wage and benefits package for caring, compassionate and skilled EMS professionals with a medically aggressive rural EMS experience where transports often exceed 30 minutes. This means our paramedic teams work hand in hand with the company's medical directors and on-line Emergency Department physicians to carry out advanced lifesaving care.

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Prairie County Fair Demolition Derby

The event was held on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6 at 7:00 P.M and was hosted by *AMMP Motorsports* (Arkansas Mud & Monsters Productions). They require an ambulance to be on site while the derby takes place and Southern Paramedic Services were there in case any of the drivers or spectators needed assistance. Southern ended up transporting a driver out of the event. His car was hit hard enough to break welds loose on the braces inside his car.



C.O.D.E.

Community Organization for Drug Education

Michael Drost and his wife Susan Drost (*PR Assistant*) are on the board of the **C.O.D.E.** in Stuttgart. Pictured here is the **C.O.D.E.** group taking a new picture with the Drug Take Back Box which will be located at the Stuttgart Police Station.



Green Forrest High School

Students at Green Forrest High School learning all about EMS and what it entails.

Pictured here is Southern Paramedic Service's Hadden Barthol, EMT who is the station manager at our Eastern Carroll County service area which includes both Green Forest and Berryville locations.



Christmas Toy Drive

Southern Paramedic Services CEO Gary Padget, along with the Stuttgart Fire Department began a toy drive December 1st in hopes that no child in Stuttgart would go without a toy this Christmas. Between drop-offs and cash donations, over \$1000 worth of toys will be distributed to children in need in the community. Gary gave the drive's first donation of \$250 which was quickly followed by many others. Southern thanks its partners Chief Jimmy Carson and the rest of the Stuttgart Fire Department.



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