

# Neighborhood News



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## Special Edition: Fire Safety



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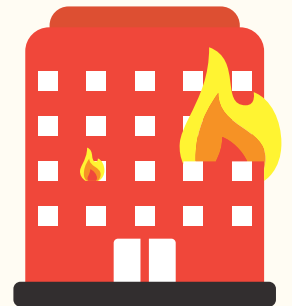
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# FIRE PREVENTION



In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy.

Make sure your **smoke detectors** are working!

**Do not smoke** in your unit !!!!!



# SHA

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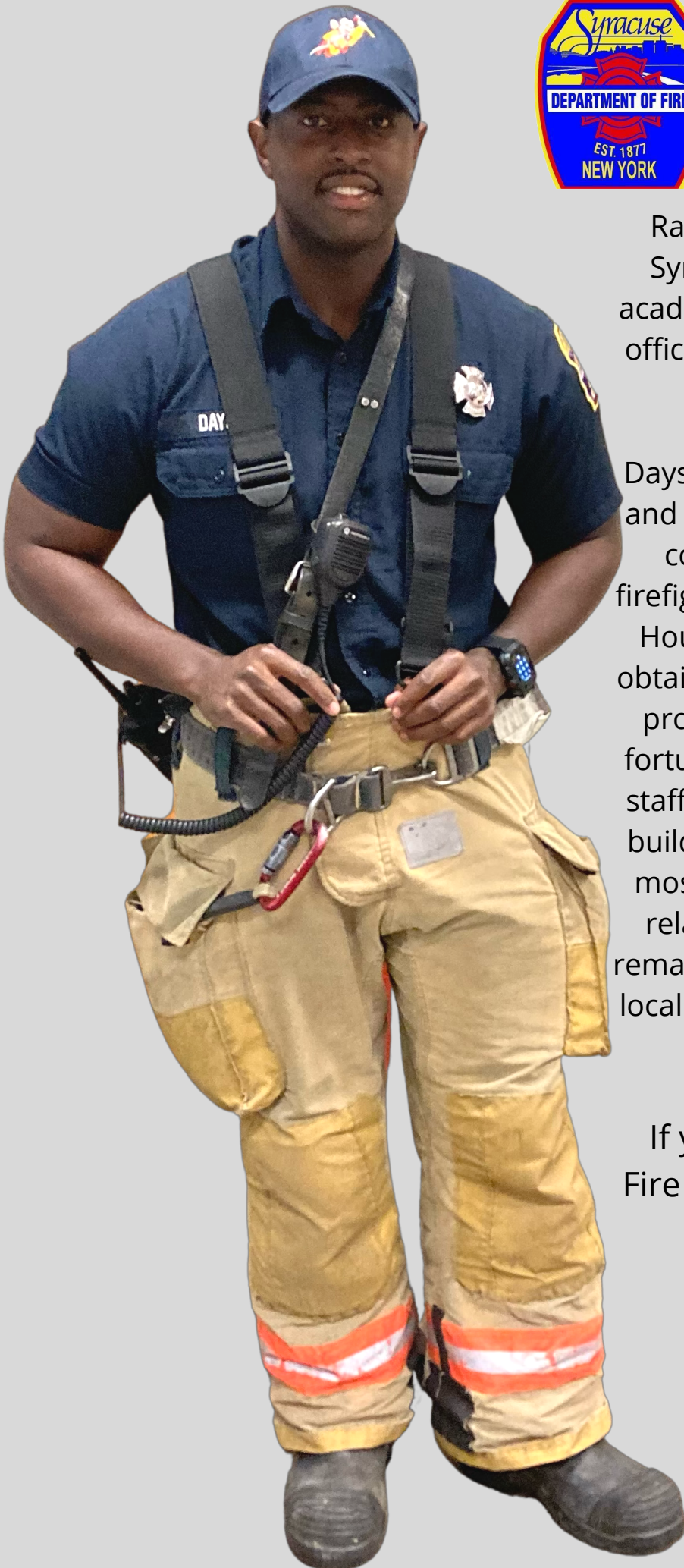
SHA wants to give a special thank you to **Deputy Chief Elton Davis, FF Rakiem Days, and FF Timeka Mack** of the Syracuse Fire Department for participating in SHA's Fire Safety Class in Pioneer Homes. We would also like to thank LT Joe Fenell, FF Terrance Smith and firefighters from both Truck 8 and Engine Company 1 for participating. Our residents greatly appreciated it.

It was a great kick-off to **Fire Prevention Week!!!!**

SHA would also like to thank firefighter Rakiem Days for facilitating the event with the SFD and doing an exceptional job engaging with our residents!!!!

It was a great community day for all!

# MEET FIRE FIGHTER RAKIEM DAYS



Rakiem J. Days graduated from the Syracuse Fire Department training academy in 2018. Firefighter Days was officially sworn in 2019. Days is also a New York State Certified First Responder (CFR).

Days is a life long resident of Syracuse and is committed to his city and to his community. Prior to becoming a firefighter Days worked at the Syracuse Housing Authority since 2009. Days obtained employment through the TAP program for residents. SHA is very fortunate to still have Mr. Days on our staff. He has an understanding of the building and property operations and most importantly has an established relationship with the residents. He remains involved in community events, local youth programs and relationship building with residents.

If you have any questions about Fire Safety Contact FF Days at 315 -470-4240

# ENGINE CO. 1

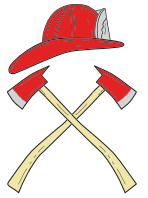


Firefighters from Engine Company 1 demonstrated different tools found on a fire engine





# TRUCK 8



Firefighters from Truck 8 demonstrated different tools found on a fire truck such as ladders, hydraulic rescue tools, floodlights, fire hose, fire extinguishers, self-contained breathing apparatus, and thermal imaging cameras.



# FIREFIGHTER GEAR



To decrease the fear many children have of firefighters in their gear, Fire Investigator, LT Fenell and Firefighter Days demonstrated how the gear works.



The kids also got to try on the gear themselves!!!





# SMOKE DETECTORS



It is important to have a working smoke alarm on every level of your home and inside each sleeping room. They must be able to hear the smoke alarm if they are asleep. When you hear the **BEEP, BEEP, BEEP** sound of a smoke alarm:

1. **STOP** what you are doing.
2. **CHOOSE** the best way out of the room.  
Each room should have at least 2 ways out.
3. **GET** outside quickly.
4. **GO** to your outside meeting place.

A smoke alarm sometimes makes a chirp sound, like a chirping bird. That means the battery is not working well or the smoke alarm is getting old.

When you hear the **CHIRP** it means the battery, or the entire alarm, must be replaced. Please talk to your family about the importance of working smoke alarms in your home and the four important things to do when they hear the **BEEP, BEEP, BEEP** sound of a smoke alarm. Together we can keep your family safe from fire.

