



### **2016 Fire Service Recognition Bar – Firefighter/Paramedic David Lester**

Mesquite, TX – January 15, 2016 – The Fire Service Recognition Bar is given to members who provide service beyond that which is called for in their job description. It is given to members who contribute their time, equipment and/or expertise to better the community, the Fire Department or the Fire Service.

Our next Fire Service Recognition Bar goes to a member of our department who donates not only his time, but his talents. Firefighter/Paramedic David Lester has been with the department since March of 1993. David is known for spending much of his personal time involved in special projects, and these projects have become a large part of what our department is today.

David helps coordinate the Ronald McDonald House donation drive that helps provide lodging, meals and the opportunity for families to stay together while their loved ones are being treated at local hospitals. Last year, David, the department and our community were able to raise \$8,000 in goods and services, and donated their time to provide a wonderful home cooked meal on Good Friday. Every year he sets a goal higher than the last, and every year he does all he can to help us meet or exceed that goal so that these families have a wonderful experience.

David is an exceptional individual who is always willing to step up whether it be on the job or volunteering for a good cause. We honor Firefighter/Paramedic David Lester for his time and dedication that he is always willing to give to help “make a difference” in our community.