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FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOST STATEWIDE COMPETITION

(TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – 9/17/09) – Temple Terrace Professional Firefighters (Local 3582) have partnered with the City to host their second *Advanced Life Support Competition* Sept. 28-29, 2009, drawing firefighters and paramedics from throughout Florida.

The event runs 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Family Recreation Complex, 6610 E. Whiteway Drive, Temple Terrace. Firefighters and paramedics will compete in various fire-rescue scenarios involving multiple “patients.” They’ll be graded on how well they respond and perform in each mock disaster.

More than a dozen fire departments, representing more than 50 fire professionals, from throughout the state will be competing. A preliminary competition will be held Monday, Sept. 28 with finals scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 29, said Temple Terrace Fire Chief Keith Chapman.

“The competition is very intense,” Chapman said. “The whole idea is to recreate an EMS scenario as realistically as possible.”

The Temple Terrace Fire Department has performed well in numerous ALS competitions, but it is not permitted to participate in this event because it is involved in hosting the activities, Chapman said.

More than a dozen teams will compete in the preliminary event. Four of those teams will be selected for the Sept. 29 finals. The top-three winners will receive large axe plaques and individual trophies.

Members of the public are welcome to come out and watch the finals, Chapman said. There is no charge. For more information, call (813) 506-6700.

Members of the news media who would like to attend should contact PIO Michael Dunn at (813) 506-6406. The finals will be staged in the outdoor pool area and will provide the best visuals.

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