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FIRE DEPARTMENT PLACES SECOND IN ALS COMPETITION

(TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – 10/29/09) – The Temple Terrace Fire Department took second place in the statewide *Flagler County Advanced Life Support Competition*, held Oct. 25 at Destination Daytona in Ormond Beach.

More than a dozen teams competed, including teams from Nebraska and New York.

Firefighters were faced with a mass-casualty scenario involving a flight on a prop 727 airliner. While onboard, they suddenly had to respond to multiple patients involving air sickness, cardio problems, embolism and other mock illnesses, including hazardous-materials contamination. The firefighters accumulated points based on how well they responded and performed in each incident.

The Temple Terrace Fire Department was represented by Capt. Carl Sullivan, firefighter/paramedic Chris Ashley, engineer/paramedic Mike Schaer and engineer/paramedic Mike Brown.

“I think it was a real good scenario,” said Sullivan, the team leader. “It was set up well.”

Sullivan said the tight time frame (12 minutes) and the number of patients (five) made the scenario challenging.

“You only have so much time, so there’s always a little bit of pressure involved,” he said.

The Temple Terrace Fire Department has done well in advanced life support competitions throughout the Southeast, and recently hosted its own well-received competition at the Family Recreation Complex in Temple Terrace.

Miramar Fire Rescue took first place in Sunday’s competition, while Boca Raton Fire Rescue placed third.

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