

Brad Droege

Our next Chief is a fine example that our leaders don't need to come from a large community of fire department to be recognized as a fire service leader.

Chief Brad Droege, of the Hamburg Fire Department is our next Fire Officer of the Year.

Hamburg is a community of 560 people located in Southwest Carver County. Chief Droege is highly respected, very loyal and dedicated to the fire service. Brad's history and knowledge of his fire department and in the overall region make him the "go to guy" for many situations in the fire service. Chief Droege is a team player and works well with other departments, always offering assistance whenever possible. Chief Droege cares about doing the right thing.

Chief Droege has created an outstanding work culture in the Fire Department. He and the members of the Hamburg Fire Department have received numerous letters and phone calls from the citizens of the Hamburg Fire District that have faced tragedy, thanking him and the department for their service and care during their difficult time. These are the best compliments you can get.

Chief Droege has:

1. Been an MSFCA member for 21 years
2. He has been the Hamburg Fire Chief since 1995.
3. Has served as Vice-President of the Carver County Fire Chief's Association
4. Implemented the "rescue reserve" program for the Hamburg Fire Department. This program creates opportunities for individuals to assist in the medical/rescue department, adding staff to their daytime response.
5. Provided active leadership for successful grant applications to the Assistance to Firefighter grants and other programs for the improvement of the Hamburg Fire Department.
6. He been involved with disaster deployments in MN. Brad coordinated the Carver County fire response to the Moorehead floods this year. He also provided the leadership and coordination of the Carver County Response to St. Peter and East Grand Forks during the Tornado of 1998 and floods of 1993 and 1997.
7. If you want to see the entire list of his accomplishments you will have to see me later. His nomination was about six pages long.

Brad is well liked, dependable, knowledgeable, giving, and has a willingness to go above and beyond in his community, his County and State wide.

