



ACHS Soccer Team opens NWC play with loss to West Caldwell

The Alexander Central Men's Soccer Team kicked off play in the NW 3A/4A Conference against the West Caldwell Warriors on Monday evening, September 10, at Central Park in Taylorsville. The Varsity Cougars were blanked by the Warriors, 3-0, while the JV Cougar Team played to a 3-3 tie. At the left, Alexander Central junior Caleb Bolick gets past a West Caldwell defender during Monday's contest. Below, ACHS junior Lance Garland competes for ball control against a Warrior player at Central Park.



Firefighter grants total over \$278K

Two Alexander County fire departments were notified recently that they will be receiving Federal grant funds which total over \$278,000.

Stony Point Volunteer Fire Department is receiving \$178,048 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance

to Firefighters grant program. Bethlehem Community Fire and Rescue also received a similar grant in the amount of \$100,534.

Stony Point Fire Department feels very fortunate to receive this grant. We will use this money to replace our aging SCBA (airpacks). Our old packs were 2.2 they will be replaced with 4.5 packs which are lighter on the Firefighter to wear. Stony Point Fire Department is supported by 38 volunteer fireman and a lady's auxiliary who spend countless hours volunteering for the department. I feel very fortunate and blessed as a Chief to work with such a group of men and women," said Stony Point Fire Chief Scotty Abernathy.

Bethlehem Community Fire and Rescue Chief Ashley Starnes stated that these funds will be used to purchase rescue equipment to serve the citizens.



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