GAUTIER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Press Release

The Gautier Fire Department is pleased to announce that Firefighter Josh Latch was chosen by the vote of his peers within the Gautier Fire Department to be "Firefighter of the Year" for the year of 2014.

Firefighter Josh Latch resides in Ocean Springs, MS with his wife, Mrs. Emily Latch where they are raising their sons Tayden and Harper as well as expecting another child in the near future.

Firefighter Latch has 6 years in the fire service having served all of those with the City of Gautier. In that short period of time Firefighter Latch has obtained numerous certifications in dealing with emergency response and hazard mitigation. Some of those certifications include Nationally Registered EMT, Rope, Trench, Confined Space, and Swift Water Rescue.

Firefighter Latch uses his training to serve the citizens and visitors of the City of Gautier as well as those within the entire State of Mississippi. During 2014 Firefighter Latch a member of the State of Mississippi's Star Team 3 deployed to Louisville, MS where they successfully performed search and rescue missions after an EF-4 tornado impacted the area.

Firefighter Josh Latch is a devoted employee and asset to the City of Gautier and we would like to congratulate him for this accomplishment and thank him for his service to the community.

City of Gautier
Fire Department
Josh Latch

Firefighter of the Year

On This 24th day of February 2015

Chief

Deputy Chief