



# Press Release

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### UPDATE

## Firefighters Assaulted While Extinguishing House Fire

**UPDATE: On Sunday, 08-24-2014 at approximately 10:43am members of the Kilgore Police Department took Kenny Davlin into custody upon his release from Good Shepherd Medical Center, Longview, Texas. Kenny Davlin was arrested due to a warrant of arrest for the charge of Aggravated Assault on a Public Servant. Davlin was transported and booked into the Rusk County Jail in Henderson, Texas. No bond has been accessed at this time.**

**KFD Fire Marshal Brandon Bigos has been placed on paid administrative leave in accordance with standard procedure. Investigation is ongoing by the Texas Rangers and the Kilgore Police Department. The Texas State Fire Marshal’s Office is assisting the Kilgore Fire Department with the investigation into the cause of the residential fire.**

**Kilgore, TX – At approximately 1:00 am this morning the Kilgore Fire Department and Kilgore Rescue responded to a residential fire located at 1512 Peach Street, Kilgore, Texas. The residence was fully engulfed and unoccupied. During course of extinguishing the fire, a Kilgore Firefighter witnessed a person, later identified as Kenny Wayne Davlin, 39 years of age, of Kilgore, walking in the street carrying a handgun behind his back. Kenny Davlin appeared to be very intoxicated. Davlin soon became engaged in a scuffle with his wife who was seen attempting to disarm him and return him to their nearby residence. Kilgore Fire Marshal Brandon Bigos attempted to intervene and take Kenny Davlin into custody but Davlin ran into his residence. He then exited the residence with an AR-15 Rifle pointing the rifle at Kilgore Firefighters working at the fire scene. The firefighters took cover behind fire trucks and Davlin was shot by Kilgore Fire Marshal Brandon Bigos. Kenny Davlin was transported to Good Shepherd Medical Center, Longview Texas. His medical condition is unknown at this time.**

Investigation is ongoing and being conducted by the Texas Rangers and the Kilgore Police Department. The reason behind Mr. Davlin’s behavior has not yet been determined. Criminal charges are pending in regards to Kenny Davlin.

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