



## Marion County Board of County Commissioners

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## YOUNG CHILD RECOGNIZED FOR HELP IN MOM'S RESCUE

Immediate Release

Photo/Interview Opportunities Available

- WHO:** Firefighter/Paramedics and Firefighter/EMTs from Marion County Fire Rescue's Spruce Creek Station 30 and South Forest Station 6, now 8-year-old Stephen Flanner and his mother, Kristin Metcalf.
- WHAT:** MCFR recognizes Stephen Flanner, 8, for acting quickly and calmly during an emergency situation. The event will also provide Kristin Metcalf the opportunity to meet her MCFR rescuers.
- WHEN:** Tuesday, Jan. 24 ▪ 3 p.m.
- WHERE:** Marion County Fire Rescue Spruce Creek Station 30 ▪ 7900 SE 135th St., Ocala
- WHY:** Then 7-year-old Stephen Flanner's actions, combined with the skill of medical professionals, helped save his mother's life. On Sept. 17, 2011, Kristin Metcalf was having trouble breathing and asked her son, Stephen, to call her mother. When he couldn't get a hold of his grandmother, and his mom became unconscious, he dialed 911. He provided dispatchers with the necessary information and then watched after his 2-year-old sister until rescuers arrived seven minutes later.

Firefighter/Paramedic Brent Murray and Firefighter/EMT Scott Chamberlin of Spruce Creek Station 30 were assisted by firefighters from MCFR's South Forest Station 6. Upon arrival rescuers found Kristin Metcalf in severe respiratory distress, and she became unresponsive during transport to The Villages Hospital where she was treated and released.

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