## 2019 Professional FF of the Year: Alec Michael Wogoman

As they say at the department, Advanced Firefighter Alec Wogoman is someone that you can always count on. Whenever someone is needed to step up and get the job done, Firefighter Wogoman is the first to step forward.

He was born and raised in Northern Indiana (30 minutes East of South Bend, IN). He is a third generation firefighter. He started his fire career at age 16 as an explorer at Middlebury Fire Department, taking classes while in High School. At age 18, he joined that department part-time as well as volunteering.

In 2016, he achieved his NIMS-ICS (100,200,700,800) Certs, his EMT Certification, his Pro-board FF 1 & 2, & his Hazmat Ops/Awareness. also that year, he moved to Savannah & started at Chatham ES in October, 2016. He has worked multiple rescue & engine units: R6, E24, E10, E3, Truck 7, & now E2. In 2018, he achieved his Pro-board Fire Officer 1 & Fire Instructor 1, he is on the SOP committee (3/18), he leads the SAFE program (smoke detectors 2/18), & in the summer of 2018 he constructed a smoke ventilation simulator for training. In August 2018, he received a letter of recognition from Chatham ES for his service.

He steps forward to assist at almost every level within the Fire Service. Whenever someone is needed to help with the recruit academy or instruct a training class, Firefighter Wogoman steps up. Whenever someone is needed to ride up, he steps up. He has gone out of his way to build training props for the department.

No matter what the task is, Firefighter Wogoman steps up to the plate and gets it done.