

Section 2

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On Friday, July 14, 2006, I was assigned to Medic 803. I transported one patient to Lewis-Gale Medical Center and returned to the scene. At this time I approached Lt. Crowe for my next assignment and I was given the task of EMS Control.

I assumed EMS Control at approximately 0820 and immediately set up a triage area at the Student Center. I advised Command that triage was being set up in the Student Center. I was told that there were patients in the student center complaining of headaches and nausea. These patients were triaged and taken to the hospital by Salem Fire-EMS medic units.

While these patients were being treated Chief Counts, Lt. Crowe and Roanoke College representatives were meeting with the rest of the groups from the dorm in Olin Hall. People who were experiencing symptoms were told to report to the triage area for treatment.

Since I was unsure at this time whether there was any CO in the Student Center I moved triage outside for patient safety.

At 0840 I contacted Carilion Patient Transportation Services (CPTS) for more ambulances and was told by their dispatcher that they could send 2 ambulances to Roanoke College.

At 0854 I called CPTS again and spoke to Allan Belcher. He advised that they were sending me 5 ambulances, one of which was capable of transporting 6 patients.

The Carilion ambulances arrived moments later. I also had Medic 801, 802, 803, 804 and Medic 156 on scene for transport.

I assigned PM Karen Georgoulis to be the triage officer. She requested oxygen bottles and oxygen masks for the patients in triage. I arranged for Lt. Hite to deliver these items to triage.

Captain Craig McCown arrived in Carilion Command 1 and assumed control of triage at approximately 0910. He suggested moving triage inside Sutton Commons. After assuring that Sutton Commons was clear of any CO contamination, triage was moved inside the building.

During this time I contacted Lewis-Gale Hospital numerous times to evaluate their ability to take more patients. At approximately 0920 I contacted Roanoke Memorial Medcom and was told that they could take as many patients as needed. At 0942 I called RMH and advised them that all of the patients from triage were on their way to RMH.

One van from Roanoke College was also sent to RMH, with people from the dorm. According to the people in the van, they were experiencing no signs or symptoms.

At this time EMS control was turned back over to Lt. Crowe.

While taking down the triage area I was told that there was an unconscious patient in the rear of the building. I went to the rear of the Sections dorm and assisted with patient removal and airway. The patient was taken to LGH by Medic 802.

At 1012 another victim was found in Room 511 by Roanoke College personnel and at 1014 the patient was declared a DOA. I contacted Salem Dispatch at 1020 to advise them to notify the Crime Scene Unit.