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EMS/Fire Brigade Duo Follow Their Family's Lead

Alex Manning, EMT

Alex Manning tried to, as he says, "broaden my horizons." He tried to stay out of the medical field that employed first his great-grandmother, then his grandmother, and finally his father – all of them nurses.

But something about becoming a lifeguard in high school and then learning CPR sparked a desire to further explore emergency medicine. "It felt right to me," he said.

After graduating from Marietta High School in 2015, Manning earned his EMT licensure and went to work for Love County EMS/Fire Brigade as a first aid attendant at Winstar Casino.

Manning, a good football player in high school, considered future education in either coaching or nursing. Caring for customers and employees at the casino "tipped the balance" on his career plans and he is now halfway through paramedic school at Grayson County College.

Since 2017, Manning has been fitting his studies around fulltime work as an ambulance EMT. The first time he performed CPR was in the emergency room. His father, ER nurse David Manning stood by. "He told me later I did well," Alex said.

His grandmother is Paulette Manning, RN. His great-grandmother, Grace Sanders, also was a nurse. His mother, Kerri Manning, is an E911 dispatcher.



Andrew Bogdan, Firefighter/Paramedic

Plunging headlong into education, Andrew Bogdan chalked up quite a list of accomplishments. By age 21, he was both a certified firefighter and a certified paramedic.

He has been on the fast track since high school graduation in 2014, studying hard in classroom and technical coursework at various colleges in Texas.

Bogdan started answering fire and ambulance calls at Station 2, WinStar Casino, in January 2017. On his off day he drives a fire truck for the Parker, TX fire department.

"I grew up in that station. My mom's brother worked there. I became a volunteer when I was a senior in high school," he said. Bogdan's father and uncles are police officers.

"When I started out I thought I wanted to be strictly in firefighting, but paramedic school shifted my thinking and now I prefer the medical side," he said.

And given his family history and experience to date, Bogdan definitely likes 911 response.



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