

**Hot Fireman.** Katherine Knowles

A Fire rages. Smoke gushes.

SCOTT / CHIEF  
That's it, aim the water up there.

ANDY / SCULLY  
You think there's an accelerant?

Mike enters. He is a hot fireman.

NIC / MIKE  
Hey you guys. So I finished holding the cute puppy, just like in the calender, and I was guarding the truck by lying on the hood, just like in the calender, and suddenly, I had this thought:

SCOTT  
What's that?

NIC  
Guys, this might be way off, but sometimes I think, maybe, I'm only here for the calender.

JON / RUBEN  
What? No!

SCOTT  
That's simply not true!

NIC  
Oh. Ok. Cool. So can I have a go on the hose?

SCOTT / JON  
No!

JON  
It's got a wicked back-kick. Don't want you getting hit in the face.

SCOTT  
I know. How about you go test the water? Make sure it's really wet?

NIC  
Oh. OK. Anything to help!

ANDY

Are you serious? This is a class 1  
fire! Plus, I'm pretty certain  
there's a Meth Lab in there.

**Boom!**

ANDY (CONT'D)

Yeah. Thought so.

Mike returns, wet.

NIC

You guys it's totally wet!

JON

Good. Nice job Mr September.

NIC

Look, are you sure I'm not just  
here for the calender?

SCOTT

Come on! Why would you say that?

NIC

Well, there's the uniform.

SCOTT

What about it?

NIC

You guys all have shirts. All I got  
was pants and braces.

SCOTT

Budget Cuts.

JON

Tough economic times.

NIC

Also, there's the training.

SCOTT

What about the training?

NIC

Well, Scully said his training took  
a year. Mine only took two weeks  
and most of that was waxing.

SCOTT

That's because, unlike Scully here, you're a natural!

NIC

I guess. But I also heard Scully say, "I wouldn't trust him with a lit cigarette. He's only here for the calender."

SCOTT

Oh Scully said that did he?

ANDY

Look, Guys, this is great, ok, but those flames are licking up! Surround and drown might not be enough!

SCOTT

Mike, you are a crucial member of this ladder. One of the team.

ANDY

Jesus Christ! I can see a woman up there! I'm going in!

He charges off. Chief and Ruben struggle to control the hose.

NIC

I can really do this! Half of fire-fighting is ninety percent mental. And the rest is brain power. I want to save lives, and fight fires, and save lives! You gotta let me do my job!

SCOTT

You wanna do your job? You really wanna help?

Scully runs out carrying Annie.

SCOTT (CONT'D)

Take that woman, and carry her up n' down in front of the news crews.

NIC

You mean like Rescue her?! Cool.

SCOTT

Scully, get back on this hose!

ANDY  
Seriously?!

ANNIE  
My Hero!

Other women rush the stage

JULIE  
Oh-my-god-you're-so-hot! Rescue me!

KEISHA  
Me too! Oh Yeah. Me Too!

KAITLYN  
No! Me! Rescue me!

ANDY  
Jesus! Stop. You're running into  
the fire! That's a fucking fire!  
Seriously. Don't run in there -

JULIE  
I'm so wet, I could put that fire  
out on my own.

ANDY  
No!

He runs after them.

SCOTT  
(watching Mike pose) This is going  
to be our best calender ever!

JON  
Yeah. Chicks are gonna see it, and  
fantasize about him, then get drunk  
and bang us!

SCOTT  
We must never let his pretty face  
get near a fire.

JON  
Plus, he'd only make it hotter.

Blackout.

On Screen: Newspaper picture: Nic rescuing Annie - very Mr  
September.

Scrolls down. Headline: Raging Inferno! Dozens Perish!