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*Robert Lewin, Fire Chief*

**December 4, 2014**

**To: Honorable LOCSD Board of Directors**

**From: Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief**

**Subject: Agenda Item 9A – December 4, 2014 Board Meeting  
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for October 2014**

**EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 121 calls in October with 8 Simultaneous Calls (Back to Back). Six of the Simultaneous Calls required Advanced Life Support (1<sup>st</sup>: 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> 5). Of these 121 incidents, 85 were Medical calls with 45 requiring Advanced Life Support provided by Paramedics; No CAL FIRE Firefighters rode in to the hospital with SLO Ambulance during the month of October. Three incidents were reported as Traffic Collision; Six incidents were reported as Fire, 25 as Public Service Assists, and five as Emergency.
2. Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies in the month of October a total of 13 times.

**ADMINISTRATION**

3. On October 6, 2014, Station 15 – South Bay Staff met with Golden State Water Staff, including General Manager, Robert Hanford. During this meeting Mr. Hanford and his staff expressed confidence in their ability to provide specific information with a Geographic Information System (GIS) layer/Google Earth/or Excel spreadsheet with Lat/Long regarding pressure, flow, hydrant location and type that can be accessed on the fire engine MDC's, at the request of CAL FIRE and Station 15 – South Bay. Shortly following this meeting, this information was adequately provided and is now being customized by CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire GIS Specialists to be inputted into our MDC's and Well Maps by early 2015.

## **TRAINING**

4. During the month of October 2014, Station 15 – South Bay continued the hiring process with three of the four chosen Reserve Firefighter Applicants. The fourth applicant requires training in the Paid-Call Firefighter Academy that will not begin until early February 2015. The three remaining prospective Reserve Firefighter candidates, Dillon Campbell, Trevor Oakley and Nathan Smith, completed their required training, including the Station 15 Rookie Task book. In order to streamline this process and unify instruction, candidates attended a two day Station 15 – South Bay Rookie Academy. At the Rookie Academy, Candidates learned station specific guidelines and procedures for both routine station maintenance as well as emergency response. In addition, they completed their sign off task sheets and 24 hour shadow shifts. The final applicant should be available in late Spring 2015. Reserve Company 15 currently has 22 of 25 positions filled.
5. In late October 2014, Station 15 – South Bay advertised in local media to several outlets regarding new applicants for our Reserve Company, with an application deadline in mid-November (see attached press release/news articles). The application process is the first step in a multi-month hiring process for Company 15. Staff expects to hire 6 depending on training needs of prospective Reserves.

## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

6. On October 9, 2014, Firefighters throughout SLO County participated in the 2014 Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation Burn Relay traveling from school to school starting in Nipomo at 8am and ending at Baywood Elementary School at 2pm where they were joined by Station 15 - South Bay Staff with Medic Engine 15 and Medic Rescue 15. The Relay taught school children about the importance of having “Escape Drills in the Home (EDITH)” and “Stop, Drop, Cover Your Face, and Roll” and other fire safe practices.
7. On October 10, 2014, Station 15 – South Bay Staff participated in the Baywood Elementary Carnival and Silent Auction held at Baywood Elementary. The on-duty crew handed out stickers and other trinkets, and provided information to about 75 people regarding fire safety in the home. Medic Engine 15 and Medic Rescue 15 were on display.
8. On October 11, 2014, Station 15 – South Bay Staff held their Annual Fire Safety Fair, previously called Open House. This year’s event was held from 11 am – 3 pm in the Vons Parking Lot and featured tours of the SLO County Fire Safety House, Medic Engine 15, Medic Engine 215, and Boat 15. Attendees also participated in our Raffle featuring 107 prizes. Firefighters demonstrated the “Jaws of Life” and Extinguisher Flash Pan. Experts taught children of all ages the technique of ‘Hands-Only CPR.’ Other Emergency Service Agencies, such as SLO County Sheriff’s, San Luis Ambulance, Los Osos Focus Group, Emergency Services Advisory Committee and SLO County C.E.R.T presented interesting displays and vehicles throughout the event. A tri-tip lunch was available for purchase, provided by the Kiwanis Club of Bay Osos. Approximately 450 people were in attendance and over 150 children participated in the Stamp Station Game, which seeks to educate youth on life-saving tips. The event raised just under \$500 for Station 15 that will be donated to the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation. An additional \$288 was donated by Kiwanis Club of Bay Osos to Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation.

**CAL FIRE STATION 15 - SOUTH BAY**

**2014 ANNUAL ACTIVITY LOG**

ACTIVITY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
*FIRES - ALL TYPES	6	4	7	9	10	4	2	7	3	6			
FALSE ALARMS	2	1	4	4	1	3	2	8	1	3			
*RESCUE - EMS	72	64	72	61	70	78	78	61	66	85			
ADV. LIFE SUPPORT	42	34	42	32	27	45	35	31	48	45			
TRAFFIC COLLISION	5	1	7	4	4	7	3	2	3	3			
*SERVICE ASSISTS	23	14	18	24	24	23	19	21	20	25			
*EMERGENCY	3	3	5	5	5	6	10	3	5	5			
CODE 2 RESPONSE	10	11	8	12	22	7	9	13	7	12			
-ZONE I	1	1	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	0			
-MDO	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
-MUTUAL AID	0	0	3	2	3	0	0	1	0	1			
SUBTOTAL: OUT OF DISTRICT	4	3	7	3	4	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK	7	4	5	3	7	3	4	5	0	2			
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK (ALS)	5	4	6	3	6	0	2	2	1	6			
<b>2014 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>2014 CALLS YTD</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>1026</b>
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<b>2013 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>1250</b>
<b>2012 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	95	98	105	100	94	83	105	119	94	118	121	127	1259
<b>2011 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	111	72	81	106	97	115	99	91	112	131	89	84	1188
<b>2010 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	121	79	93	88	98	86	115	100	103	104	94	96	1177
<b>2009 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	84	79	74	126	89	80	86	77	87	148	99	177	1206
<b>2008 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	126	123	101	89	110	98	71	105	71	73	77	110	1154
<b>2007 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	100	87	90	88	100	60	77	80	94	76	70	95	1017
<b>2006 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	112	83	81	88	97	84	94	86	72	93	87	99	1076
<b>2005 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	88	91	88	88	77	73	68	72	86	79	100	88	998



**SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

- 9. On October 17-18, 2014 Station 15 - South Bay Staff participated in the Area 55 fundraising event at Los Osos Middle School. The school has created a fictional scenario where genetically-engineered organisms (GEO) have landed on their campus. Now, they're calling their campus "Area 55." In the scenario, the GEOs were being transported from Vandenberg Airforce Base to be dropped in the Pacific Ocean, but due to strong winds, they landed at the middle school. Students worked as Federal Safety Administration agents, and they gave search and rescue tours to find the creatures. Station 15 Staff were on stand-by, as well as participated as part of the event.
  
- 10. On October 27, 2014, Medic Engine 215 was sent to the CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department's South County Shop for routine annual maintenance. This work was completed as part of Schedule D of the Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department at no charge to the district. While Medic Engine 215 was in the shop, SLO County Medic Engine 212 was assigned to Station 15 - South Bay to maintain two vehicles for emergency response.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Lewin, Unit Chief  
**CAL FIRE** / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department



By Phill Veneris, North Coast Battalion Chief  
**CAL FIRE** / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department

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# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



SAN LUIS OBISPO UNIT  
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FIRE



**CONTACT: Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief    RELEASE DATE: October 27, 2014**  
**(805) 528-1053**

## Reserve Firefighters Wanted

The Los Osos Community Services District, in cooperation with *CAL FIRE/SLO* County Fire Department, Station 15 - South Bay has initiated a hiring process to select prospective LOCSO Reserve Firefighters. Reserve Firefighters are expected to cover two 12 hour shifts per month, attend required training and drills, and return for emergency call backs at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*.

In order to qualify for the Reserve Firefighter position, an application must be submitted by Monday, November 17, 2014 no later than 5:00pm with a valid form of ID, a Social Security Card, and a DMV report, dated within 30-days. Reserve Firefighter applications and additional information can be obtained at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*, located at 2315 Bayview Heights Drive in Los Osos, CA (Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm).

The hiring process consists of a Firefighter Physical Ability Test to be held at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*, tentatively set for Saturday, November 22, 2014 at 8:00am. The next step would be Oral Interviews, tentatively set for Sunday, November 23, 2014. The final step will be a background investigation and a successful completion of a pre-employment physical.

If you have any questions, please contact *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay* Fire Department at (805) 528-1053.

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Alisa Ann Ruch

**Burn Foundation**

FEDERAL TAX ID #23-7162017

October 17, 2014

South Bay Firefighters Company 15  
2315 Bayview Heights Dr  
Los Osos, CA 93402-3915

Dear South Bay Firefighters Company 15:

On behalf of the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation (AARBF), I want to acknowledge your contribution of \$200.00 received on 10/9/2014. We are so grateful for your support of our programs and services. Together, we make an incredible difference in the communities of California.

For more than 40 years, AARBF has continued to strengthen our partnerships with firefighters, educators, and burn care professionals to create real impact in the lives of burn survivors and to promote vital burn prevention education. Our staff and volunteers also engage burn survivors of all ages through in-hospital collaborations, support groups, regional activities, and recreational camps such as **Champ Camp**, **Young Adult Summit** and **The Getaway**. Burn prevention education activities include **Firefighters in Safety Education** (a collaboration with the California fire service and local schools) as well as presentations at health fairs, community events and parenting groups.

Your gift makes this work possible. Thank you for believing in AARBF's mission to enhance the lives of burn survivors and promote burn prevention education. We're proud to have you as our champion and are already looking forward to next year's Relay!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Radics, M.B.A.  
Executive Director  
TAX ID: 23-7162017

*NOTE: No goods or services were received in exchange for your donation. Your donation of \$200.00 is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowable by law.*

*Did you know you can now make your donation online at [www.AARBF.org](http://www.AARBF.org)?  
Simply click "Donate Now" and select your favorite AARBF programs to support!*

**Dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for burn survivors and promoting burn prevention education**  
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**A Celebration of the Generations  
on Grandparent's Day  
2014**

*Your TEAM MADE THE DAY SPECIAL*

The members of Rotary Club of Los Osos want to express our heartfelt thanks for your contribution and support in making this year's "Celebration of the Generations" the best ever.

In addition to providing a positive family event with fun and games for all ages, proceeds help support Baywood Elementary PTA and the Rotary Club of Los Osos in it's many community projects and services.

We look forward to your participation next year in whatever way you are able. Any feedback you have about this year's event to help in planning for Old Goats & Little Kids next year.

Save the date: September 13, 2015

**THANK YOU!!**



*"Service Above Self"*

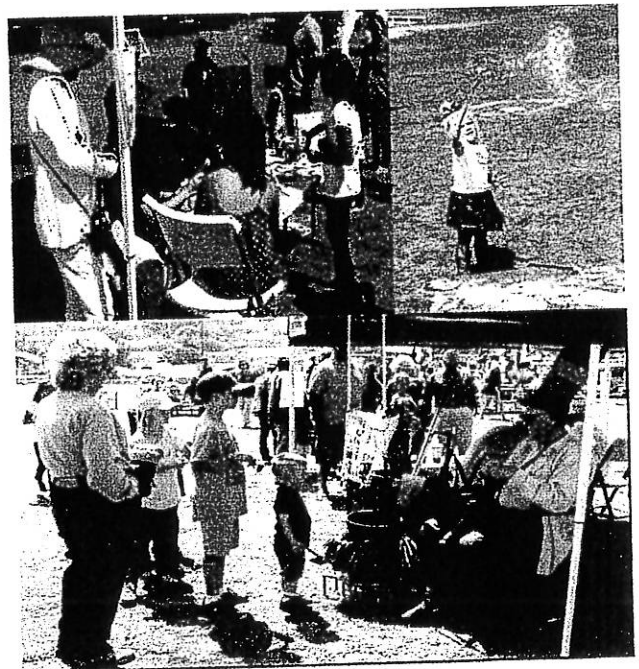
**Practicing the Four Way Test  
In the things we think, do and say:**

- Is It The Truth?**
- Is It Fair To All Concerned?**
- Will It Build Good Will & Better Friendships?**
- Is It Beneficial To All Concerned?**

Grandparent's Day Committee

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|-------------------|-----------------|
| Michelle Caretto  | Jim Quesenberry |
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| Jim Stanfill      | Dick Pacoan     |
| Marge Van Beurden | A.J. Fudge      |

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*Old Goats & Little Kids  
Celebration of the Generations  
2014*

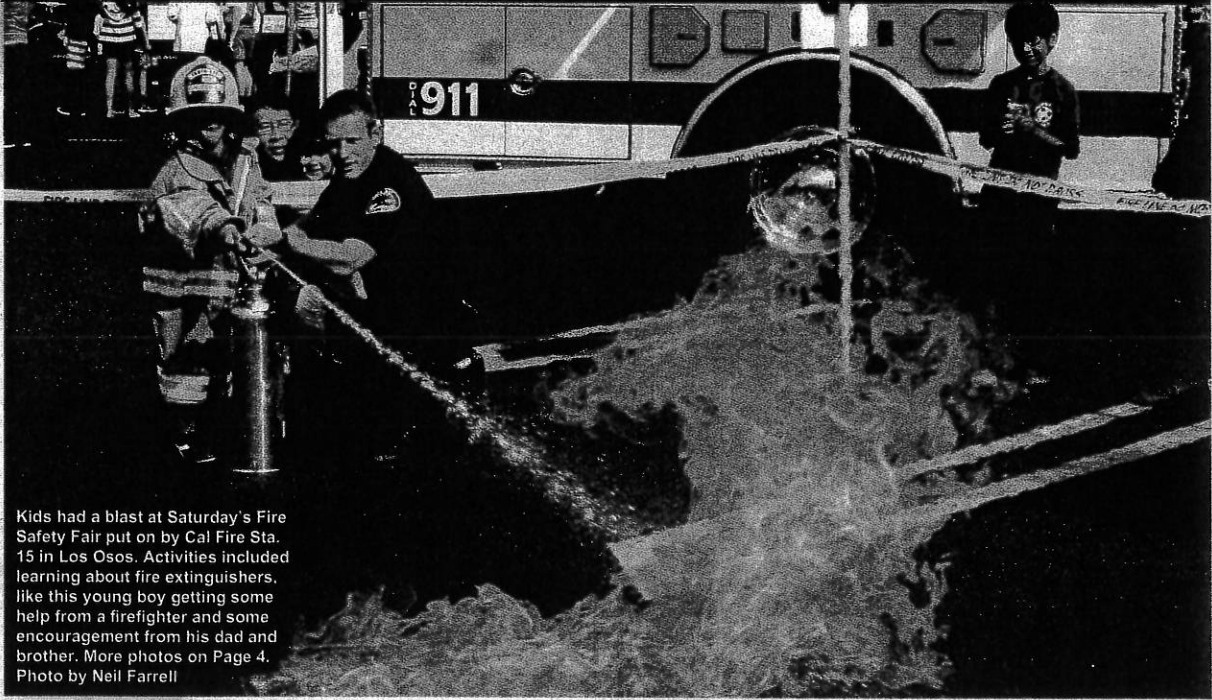


# BAY NEWS



YOUR COMMUNITY IN YOUR HANDS

LOS OSOS MORRO BAY CAYUCOS CAMBRIA



Kids had a blast at Saturday's Fire Safety Fair put on by Cal Fire Sta. 15 in Los Osos. Activities included learning about fire extinguishers, like this young boy getting some help from a firefighter and some encouragement from his dad and brother. More photos on Page 4. Photo by Neil Farrell



## Fire Safety Fair

Photos by Neil Farrell



Cal Fire Sta. 15 in Los Osos held its annual Fire Safety Fair Saturday in the Vons parking lot on LOVR. The event included the County Fire Chiefs Association's Fire Safety House, a demonstration of the Jaws of Life and other rescue tools, a demo on using a fire extinguisher complete with a real fire flash pan, repelling gear, a barbecue by the Kiwanis Club, safety booths, lots of free stuff and more. ♣



### Cal Fire to host fair on fire safety

Cal Fire will hold a Fire Safety Fair on Oct. 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Vons Shopping Center in Los Osos.

The event will include music, entertainment, games and other activities while offering hands-only CPR demonstrations; a meet-and-greet with local firefighters, Sparky the

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## Roundup

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Fire Dog and Smokey Bear; and a tour of the county Fire Safety House and emergency vehicles.

The event also will include a Jaws of Life and other live Fire Department demonstrations.

A Kiwanis tri-tip lunch will benefit the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation. For more information, call 528-1053.

— Nick Wilson