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Robert Lewin, Fire Chief

September 3, 2015

To: Honorable LOCSO Board of Directors

From: Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief

**Subject: Agenda Item 9A – September 3, 2015 Board Meeting
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for July 2015**

EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 81 calls in July with 3 Simultaneous Calls (Back to Back). Two of the Simultaneous Calls required Advanced Life Support (1st: 1, 2nd: 0, Both: 1). Of these 81 incidents, 60 were Medical calls with 31 requiring Advanced Life Support provided by Paramedics; A CAL FIRE Firefighter rode in to the hospital with SLO Ambulance one time during the month of July. Three calls required Staging; Six incidents were reported as Traffic Collision; Three incidents were reported as Fire, 13 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 July a total of 3 times.

ADMINISTRATION

3. Tolosa Press / Bay News published a *Correction* in the July 23-August 5 Edition regarding a previously published article concerning how the Los Osos Community Services District Special Fire Tax is calculated. (See attached News Article).
4. On July 31, 2015 Reserve Firefighter Brent McNichols resigned from Station 15 – South Bay Fire in good standing, after accepting a full-time position as a Firefighter-Paramedic at Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District. Brent served 3+ years at South Bay and was known for his diligent work ethic and attention to detail. Station 15 - South Bay Staff wish him and his family the very best!

SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

5. Throughout the month of July, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay continued advertising for their upcoming CPR/AED Class that will be held on Sunday, August 2nd at the South Bay Community Center from 2:00-6:30 p.m. This class is largely funded by the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company grant award. Assisting with this course, the South Bay Community Center donated their facility and Central Coast CPR provided a 33% discount per student. These collective discounts have made it possible for Station 15 – South Bay to offer the course at a rate of \$10/per person (due at time of registration) to 24 prospective students. This class is open to the public. (See attached News Articles).
6. On July 7, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay hosted two tours of approximately 40 children total, ranging in ages from 5-11, from the Monarch Grove Elementary YMCA Program. Firefighters provided a tour of the Firehouse, Medic Engine 15, Medic Rescue 15, and an overview of firefighting gear along with basic fire safety tips.
7. On July 8, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay hosted two tours of approximately 25 children total, ranging in ages from 5-8, from the Monarch Grove Elementary YMCA Program. Firefighters provided a tour of the Firehouse, Medic Engine 15, Medic Rescue 15, and an overview of firefighting gear along with basic fire safety tips.
8. On July 23, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay Staff hosted a fire safety demo at the Los Osos Library. The event was open to all ages. Firefighters provided a tour of Medic Engine 15, Medic Rescue 15, and an overview of firefighting gear along with basic fire safety tips.

FIRE PREVENTION

9. On July 13, 2015, third inspections were conducted on fire code violations in the District. Of the 288 original parcels, 18 were still in violation and notices were sent to the property owners with one week to correct. Fourth inspections were conducted on the 18 parcels on July 22, 2015; Inspectors found 16 parcels to be in continued violation of the fire code. Station 15 Staff began attempting personal contact with each property owner to encourage compliance prior to citations being issued.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Lewin, Unit Chief

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By Phill Veneris, North Coast Battalion Chief

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CAL FIRE STATION 15 - SOUTH BAY

2015 ANNUAL ACTIVITY LOG

ACTIVITY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
*FIRES - ALL TYPES	5	5	9	5	6	6	3						39
FALSE ALARMS	0	3	6	7	8	4	6						34
*RESCUE - EMS	100	67	66	62	71	63	60						489
ADV. LIFE SUPPORT	48	25	34	27	36	28	31						229
TRAFFIC COLLISION	3	6	2	0	3	2	6						22
*SERVICE ASSISTS	27	21	20	8	18	15	13						122
*EMERGENCY	3	9	3	6	4	0	5						30
CODE 2 RESPONSE	10	8	10	3	7	5	6						49
-ZONE I	5	1	1	2	2	0	0						11
-MDO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
-MUTUAL AID	5	1	1	0	0	0	0						25
SUBTOTAL: OUT OF DISTRICT	10	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK	4	3	2	1	1	0	1						12
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK (ALS)	6	1	2	0	1	1	2						13
2015 TOTAL - MONTHLY	135	102	98	81	99	84	81	0	0	0	0	0	680

2015 CALLS YTD	135	237	335	416	515	599	680	680	680	680	680	680	680
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2014 TOTAL - MONTHLY	135	85	102	99	109	111	109	92	94	121	95	131	1252
2013 TOTAL - MONTHLY	108	87	108	98	100	122	102	112	115	102	83	113	1250
2012 TOTAL - MONTHLY	95	98	105	100	94	83	105	119	94	118	121	127	1259
2011 TOTAL - MONTHLY	111	72	81	106	97	115	99	91	112	131	89	84	1188
2010 TOTAL - MONTHLY	121	79	93	88	98	86	115	100	103	104	94	96	1177
2009 TOTAL - MONTHLY	84	79	74	126	89	80	86	77	87	148	99	177	1206
2008 TOTAL - MONTHLY	126	123	101	89	110	98	71	105	71	73	77	110	1154
2007 TOTAL - MONTHLY	100	87	90	88	100	60	77	80	94	76	70	95	1017
2006 TOTAL - MONTHLY	112	83	81	88	97	84	94	86	72	93	87	99	1076

Correction

Last issue's story about the Los Osos CSD fire tax, used an incorrect formula to try and illustrate the tax. We calculated the fee as being based on property value and as a result over-estimated the fire tax that property owners must pay. The correct Special Fire Tax amount depends on the type of structure, explained Battalion Chief Phil Veneris. Each structure will pay \$15.76 per "benefit unit" and the number of benefit units varies. So a single-family residence would pay five benefit units or 5×15.76 for a total of \$78.80 as per the tax schedule. Motels pay for three units per room, so a 25-room motel would pay 75 units or about \$315.



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CPR training in San Luis Obispo County

San Luis Obispo County Fire is holding a CPR training session in Los Osos on August 2nd.

It will take place at the South Bay Community Center from 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. It is a one day event and there are just three weeks left to register, just because participants attend the event, doesn't mean that they will walk away with a certification. That will be determined by the instructor.

Training only costs ten dollars because of several grants given by organizations that support fire fighting efforts. It's funded by a grant from Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, part of a nationwide philanthropic program. Central Coast CPR also provided a 33% discount per student and the South Bay Community Center has waived their facility fee.

If you want to participate, please call San Luis Obispo County Fire 528-1053.

COMMENTS

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Los Osos Cal Fire to hold CPR class

Thanks to a grant awarded to Cal Fire, the agency's Station 15 in Los Osos will host a one-day CPR and automatic external defibrillator course to residents 16 or older at a reduced rate

of \$10.

The event will be held 2 to 6:30 p.m., Aug. 2, at the South Bay Community Center at 2180 Palisades Ave. in Los Osos.

The agency is able to offer the course at the reduced rate because of a grant provided by Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, as well as Central Coast CPR offering a 33 percent discount per student and waiving of normal facility fees by the South Bay Community

Center.

Participants, who must be at least 16, will receive either a CPR certificate or a certificate of completion of the course, depending on skill level.

Interested parties may sign up or find more information by visiting Cal Fire Station 15 at 2315 Bayview Heights Drive or by calling 528-1053 during normal business hours.

Registration deadline is July 31.

— Matt Fountain

Community



Grant Used for Fire Gear, Smoke Detectors

Los Osos residents and the fire department will be a little safer after Cal Fire/County Fire Sta. 15 was awarded a grant from Fireman's Fund Insurance Co.

DeWitt Stern partnered with Fireman's Fund on a \$10,190 donation to the station, which is contracted for by the Community Services District.

The money was used to buy new self-contained breathing apparatus tanks, some 50 CO2/carbon monoxide smoke detectors and two full sets of firefighter personal protective equipment, including new pairs of firefighting boots, which the County Fire Chief, Bob Lewin said could save a fireman from serious injury because of their design.

Station commander Battalion Chief Phil Veneris said the smoke-gas detectors are a new model with a battery that has a 10-year life span. They wanted to share the good fortune of the grant directly with the community and the smoke detectors were the way to do that.

They will be available for local low-income residents, and they will carry them on the engines and give them away when they see a home without smoke detectors. Some of the money will also be used to help pay for a public CPR class set for Sunday, Aug. 2 at the South Bay Community Center.

"This grant fills a critical void and provides us with equipment that



enhances firefighter safety," said Fire Chief Robert Lewin. "It also allows our fire department to offer programs targeted for our residents, which enables us to better serve the community. We really appreciate this generous donation."

"Firefighters put themselves in harm's way every day to serve others and deserve to have the best equipment available," said John Hamby, managing director of DeWitt Stern. "We are honored to support the South Bay Fire Department with this grant."



Hamby is a local resident who was instrumental in putting the department up for the grant award, something he's done in the past with a different insurer's program. Fireman's Fund representative, Michael Bibeau, was on hand for the check presentation.

In the photo is the South Bay Station crew, CSD officials and the folks from DeWitt Stern and Farmer's Insurance.

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Nora
Blach

Sabir

Thank You Station 15

Awesome field trip!

2nd Grade at Monarch Grove

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I love it
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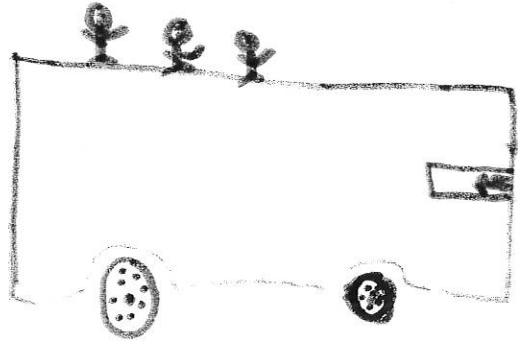
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Dear Fire Fighters
Thank you for showing
up to Monarch Grove.
So let us learn all
about you. Thank you
Dylan, Dave, Brendan,
and Teddy.



Thank you for taking the time
to come to the Los Osos YMCA
and teach us about fire safety!
Our kids loved having you here. It
was a real treat!

- The Los Osos Discover Camp
Staff
Maxine, Carly, + Lauren