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From the Chief's Desk

~ Stayton Fire Chief Jack Carriger

Joint recruiter position to be the next step to a closer working relationship between Sublimity and Stayton Fire.

For years Stayton and Sublimity have tried to find ways to work closer together, to provide more dependable, quality service to our patrons. Some of these efforts have been more successful than others but have always given us better insight and understanding as to how each other functions. Probably our most successful efforts have been in training. For years now the two Districts have been training together on a regular basis and have experienced considerable growth in our skills and ability to work ing service while maintaining a core of dedicated together.

As Fire Chiefs of the two Districts, Chief Hume and I see the joint Recruiter positon being our next successful co-venture. We both feel strongly that this position can help bring the organizations even closer together, especially at the firefighter level. Having the same person recruiting and working with our firefighters jointly should help us to become closer as individuals and as agencies. The success of our organizations in the future is going to hinge on our ability to support each other and to optimize resources. As we all know our most important resource is our people, and recruiting and retaining our people is our highest priority and our biggest challenge.

As our agencies move forward it becomes more incumbent on us as members to ensure we are doing everything possible to continue to provide outstand-(Continued on page 3)

Welcome our new Stayton/Sublimity Recruitment **And Retention Coordinator**



My name is Marcus Andrews, and I am pleased to join both the Stayton and Sublimity Fire Districts as the Recruitment/ Retention Coordinator.

I have lived in Stayton my whole life and attended the Stayton schools from kindergarten to 8th grade. I then transferred to Cascade where I completed High School. After High School, I attended Chemeketa Community College and received my General Studies degree.

In 2018, I got married to my wife, Taylor, and I started volunteering at the Stayton station in that year as well.

I have two dogs, a chocolate lab named Copper and a shepherd mix named Todd.

I look forward to working with both Stayton and Sublimity Fire Districts as well as our communities.

DISTRICT **ANNIVERSARIES**

FEBRUARY

Steve Orr-9 yrs. Scott Orr-8 yrs. Kaitlyn Woodsmall—8 yrs. Josh Lindemann—4 yrs. Kathi Kent—1 yr.

MARCH

Doug Hansen—36 yrs. Eric Peterson—14 yrs. Jeff Harris Sr.- 14 yrs. Trent Tegen—8 yrs.

APRIL

Eric Fery—33 yrs. Adam Bailey—16 yrs. Craig Griffith—14 yrs. Byron Brown—6 yrs. Emma Costello—1 yr.

Congratulations & Thank You For 172 Years of Service!

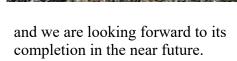
Training Facility Update

In the past few months, we have accomplished many projects at the training facility through two work parties as well as individuals working on projects on their own time.

Two new containers were added to the second story of the search building and an interior stairwell was built and installed giving us access into the second story. We

> have cut openings into all the second story containers allowing us to begin developing the second story for training. At this point, the second floor is NOT usable for training.

> We poured concrete approaches to the storage building and the burn room and footings for the new roof prop designed by Doug Smith. Steve Orr and his crew built the frame for the roof prop. Work on the new roof prop is continuing



A viewing window was installed in the burn room for exterior observation during live fire training. We have purchased a new temperature monitoring system and will be utilizing that from now on to gather data that can be used to enhance training and safety of live fire exercises at the facility and for acquired structures.

We also installed a new working wood stove prop.

The next Training Facility work party is scheduled for April 4th at which time we will be working on framing the second story openings, installing access into the tower from the second floor, and working on the design of the second story.

We wish to thank all those who have donated their time and skills to make the training facility more functional. We could not accomplish so much without your hard work and dedication to the District.

Fire Officer I Class

In November, we held an NFPA Fire Officer 1 course with 10 students from Stayton and neighboring departments. The 60-hour blended class included online coursework and 2.5 days of practical applications.

Congratulations to all the students who completed the course: Trent Tegen, Taunie Alley, Kelly Oliver, Kevin Bakke, Scott Orr, Scott Vigil from Stayton; Ryan Rux from Turner, Chris Lorenz from Aumsville, Travis Powers from Jefferson and Rick Heuchert from Silverton.



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volunteers. To ensure the future success of our agencies, Chief Hume and I will be considering more avenues to explore and additional opportunities to unite our Districts in providing service to

our communities. We recognize not all efforts will provide the results we strive for, but trust that as we explore these opportunities, all members will support the efforts to bring our Districts closer together as a united resource.

Live Fire Class

We recently held a Train-the — Trainer course for Life Fire Instructor for our training facility burn room. This course was to train instructors on the NFPA 1403 standard and how it applies to the procedures and training at our fixed burn room facility. The 8-hour course included review of the standards, our burn room procedures and live fire evolutions using the procedures.

In the class from Stayton was Chief Jack Carriger, Lt. Trent Tegen, Capt. Craig Griffith, Lt. Scott Vigil; from Sublimity was Capt. Angela Hargin, Capt. Kent Silbernagel, Eng. Ryan Nelson and Eng. Will Peterson; from Scio DC Howard Ellis; and from Aumsville Capt. Brad McKenzie and Eng. Stormie Morlan.

Congratulations to each student and agency for supporting our burn room training. We are excited to start using it more effectively and efficiently.

Thank You to the cadre of instructors who attended a 2-day course and an online course prior to instructing this class: Doug Kintz (Stayton), David Champion (Sublimity), Robert Surette (Aumsville) and Jay Alley (Stayton).

NEW Oregon W-4 Form

As of January 1, 2020, changes to federal tax laws mean that federal Form W-4 may not provide the correct withholding for Oregon taxes. Department of Revenue (DOR) has created Form OR-W-4 to help determine correct allowances for Oregon.

Who needs to file Form OR-W-4? Employees who:

- Were hired on or after January 1, 2020.
- Have had a financial situation change.
- Want to change their withholding amounts.
- Want to claim exemption from their Oregon withholding.
- Have relocated from another state.

Note for members of Stayton Fire District: If you already have a Federal W4 that you filled out prior to Jan. 1 and you are fine with your current tax withholdings, you do not need to do anything unless you choose to. Those withholdings will continue to work for Federal and State tax deductions from any pay you may receive from Stayton Fire District.

DISTRICT BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY

3—Doug Kintz

5—Mike Beaumont

12—Nastasja Johnson

14—Lucy Hemenway

26-Kevin Bakke

26-Doug Smith

28—Ray Porter

MARCH

22-Rhonda Grant

30-Maria Sammons

31-Sheila Woodsmall

APRIL

1—Ashley Griffith

3-Kathi Kent

12—Jay Alley

18—Gene Dershewitz



Happy Birthday!

Santiam Fire

Academy is off and running with 36 students registered. The Academy is now in its 3rd week and students are just getting into the swing of things. Students in this year's Academy are from Aumsville (6), Gates (2), Jefferson (2), MCFD#1 (9), Lyons (3), Scio (2), Sublimity (5), and Turner (7).

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Upcoming Events...

Feb 14 Happy Valentine's Day

Feb 17 President's Day, Business Office

Closed

Mar 8 Daylight Savings Time starts

Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day

Mar 21 District Awards Banquet

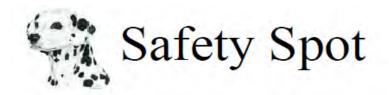
April 12 Happy Easter

May 10 Mother's Day

May 17 Firefighter Breakfast and

Support Team Raffle

Watch your email or check the website calendar for activity and event notifications www.staytonfire.org



Suggested Online Trainings

Target Solutions

⇒ Workplace Stress

Safe Personnel

- ⇒ Hearing Loss Prevention
- ⇒ Back Injury & Lifting
- ⇒ Eye & Face Protection

SDAO Webinars

- ⇒ Hazard Identification
- ⇒ Fall Protection
- ⇒ De-Escalation Training—Conflict Resolution



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