



The SPANNER

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From the Chief's Desk

~ *Stayton Fire Chief Jack Carriger*

Predictions are what you want them to be. There is certainly no way to tell if it is going to be a busy fire season or not. However, what we do know is this is already the warmest weather for this early in the summer we have seen for many years. With that said, we can assume that things are setting up to have great potential for a busy season.

To all responders: with the elevated temperatures coming this weekend, and in the near future, it is critically important to stay prepared to respond. Make sure you are keeping yourself well hydrated, with good nutrition and in good physical condition. Working in high temperatures conditions takes a

great deal of energy to keep your body cool and functional. Working at a good steady pace and not over exerting yourself up front will make it easier for you to work longer and more efficiently, avoiding heat exhaustion or worse yet heat stroke. Make sure you monitor your physical condition at all times and respond appropriately to how you're feeling. On scene, make sure you communicate any issues to your officer.

Responding to calls, especially fire calls, during this summer is going to be critical because of working conditions in elevated temperatures. We all know that our work periods are significantly shorter because of the heat so it takes everyone to provide outstanding service with a commitment to saving lives and property while maintaining a high level of safety for all.



CHAIN SAW TRAINING

This class was part of the WUI grant we received from the OSFM to offer chainsaw training to our members.

Thank You to Kurt and Carol Hueller for donating their property for us to use during the practical portion of the class. The course was

two days, one day of lecture and one day of field work using saws.

Members learned how to buck up downed logs and fall trees; lots of saw time for everyone.

We will be offering a second class in the fall of 2021.

Celebration of Life for Rosie Tegen



Saturday July 17, 2021
3 pm to 6 pm
45835 E. Lyons-Mill City Dr.

Bring a lawn chair.

DISTRICT ANNIVERSARIES

JULY

Sandy Johnson—36 yrs.
 Ray Porter—32 yrs.
 Jay Myers—22 yrs.
 Rhonda Grant—21 yrs.
 Lucy Hemenway—9 yrs.
 James McDougall—8 yrs.
 Russ Strohmeyer—6 yrs.
 Antonio Johnson—3 yrs.
 Craig Randall—3 yrs.

AUGUST

Laura Houston—27 yrs.
 Allyson Wren—11 yrs.
 Scott Cooper—8 yrs.
 Aletha Shine—6 yrs.
 Bradford Dees—1 yr.

*Congratulations
 And Thank You
 For 193 Years
 of Service!*

SANTIAM FIRE ACADEMY

This year's Academy concluded in June with a graduation ceremony for those who completed the training.

The academy is 6 months of training held on every other weekend and many hours of online courses. Recruits who complete academy have training in NFPA Firefighter I and II, NFPA Driver, NFPA Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations and Basic Wildland Firefighter.

Congratulations and well done to all the graduates!

Wildland Urban Interface Grant

In January of 2021, the Oregon Legislature Emergency Board granted approximately two million dollars to the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal for distribution to the Oregon Fire Service.

This funding is available to the Oregon Fire Service as a grant. The objective of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Assistance Grant program is to improve the capacity and capability of fire protection districts and fire departments across Oregon which protect Oregon communities and play a pivotal role in the prevention and suppression of wildland fires.

The district applied for the WUI grant to purchase new wildland packs and 25 new fire shelters. We currently have 25 shelters in use already so with the new ones, we can issue one to each responder. We also applied for various hose, structural and wildland (1", 1.5", 1.75" and 2.5"), to replace old hose and increase inventory, 4 chainsaws and chaps to add saws to apparatus with-

out saws, chainsaw training to improve safety and skills and iPads with mounts and cases to replace old iPads.

The district was notified on May 7th that we were awarded the grant for \$34,383, minus the iPads mounts and cases.

Once we receive the signed contract we will begin ordering the equipment. One of the saw classes has already been completed as of the date of this publication and we will be scheduling a second class in the fall.

We have until June 2023 to complete the grant purchases. It is our intent to order immediately and wait for the delivery (right now there are typically lengthy deliver times for most products).

This equipment and training will better provide for our personnel when responding to fires in the wildland urban interface environment and other incidents in the district.

FIRE ACADEMY GRADUATES

| AUMSVILLE | SCIO |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Garrett Bibeau | Tristen Haines |
| Robie Dysinger-Cadet | Misty Kastel |
| Gavin Legner | |
| Jenna Merkel | STAYTON |
| Chris Melton-Cadet | Christopher Nichols |
| | Rachel Potter |
| DRAKES CROSSING | Matt Shine |
| Fransico Galvez | Timothy Trahan |
| Rylan Galvez | |
| Greg Miller | SUBLIMTY |
| Jason Steffen-Cadet | Joe Alley |
| | Reed Hamilton |
| LYONS | |
| Jade Jones | TURNER |
| Aidan Lulay-Cadet | Elijah Nolan |
| Urah King | |
| Aidain Penny-Cadet | |

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Stayton is looking to fill two full time seasonal positions immediately through September.

We are looking to fill the positions either with two individuals or a combination of multiple individuals. If you are interested and can work days during the week, we are interested in working with you.

The position will be Monday – Friday with weekends and holidays off. We are requiring current Oregon Driver's License, FF II, and EMR.

The position pays \$17.00 per hour with overtime on a monthly basis.

If you are interested contact Chief Carriger at (503) 769-2601.

STATION 80 GETS A FACELIFT

inside and out this past month. All-Star Painting refreshed the outside of the main station and the mechanic shop's doors with a fresh coat of paint.

At the same time, staff was busy moving furniture and offices to make way for workers from Tim's Carpet to take up the old carpet and lay new vinyl flooring.

Thanks to Doug Kintz for managing these projects. Everything went smoothly, with no injuries or calamities, and the place looks so nice.



DISTRICT BIRTHDAYS

JULY

- 5—Doug Hansen
- 5—Sean Weitman
- 9—Craig Randall
- 10—Kaitlyn Woodsmall
- 15—Tim Trahan
- 19—Scott Cooper
- 19—Kristin Griffith
- 23—Mike Odenthal

AUGUST

- 5—Tanya McFadden
- 13—Trent Tegen
- 21—Scott Vigil
- 25—Steve Orr

Happy Birthday!



Backyard or Open Burning Season is closed until October. (including burn barrels)

Agriculture (Ag) burning is allowed on burn days with FD permit—call 877-982-0011 to check when allowed.

Congratulations Corner



Monica and Khyler Stacey welcome Clayton James Stacey April 2, 2021; 8 lbs. 6.5 oz. 21 inches



Grandparents, Doug and Tori Hansen Welcome Kayden Allen Hansen, May 6, 2021, 7 lbs. 6 oz. 20 inches

Effective May 1st Lt. Scott Vigil has been promoted to District Duty Officer and will now be responding solo on calls while on duty. Congratulations Scott on your success, dedication and commitment to attaining this position of responsibility. Great job! Let's all welcome Lt. Vigil to this new position and assist him in being successful as he gains experience.



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