



The SPANNER

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From the Chief's Desk

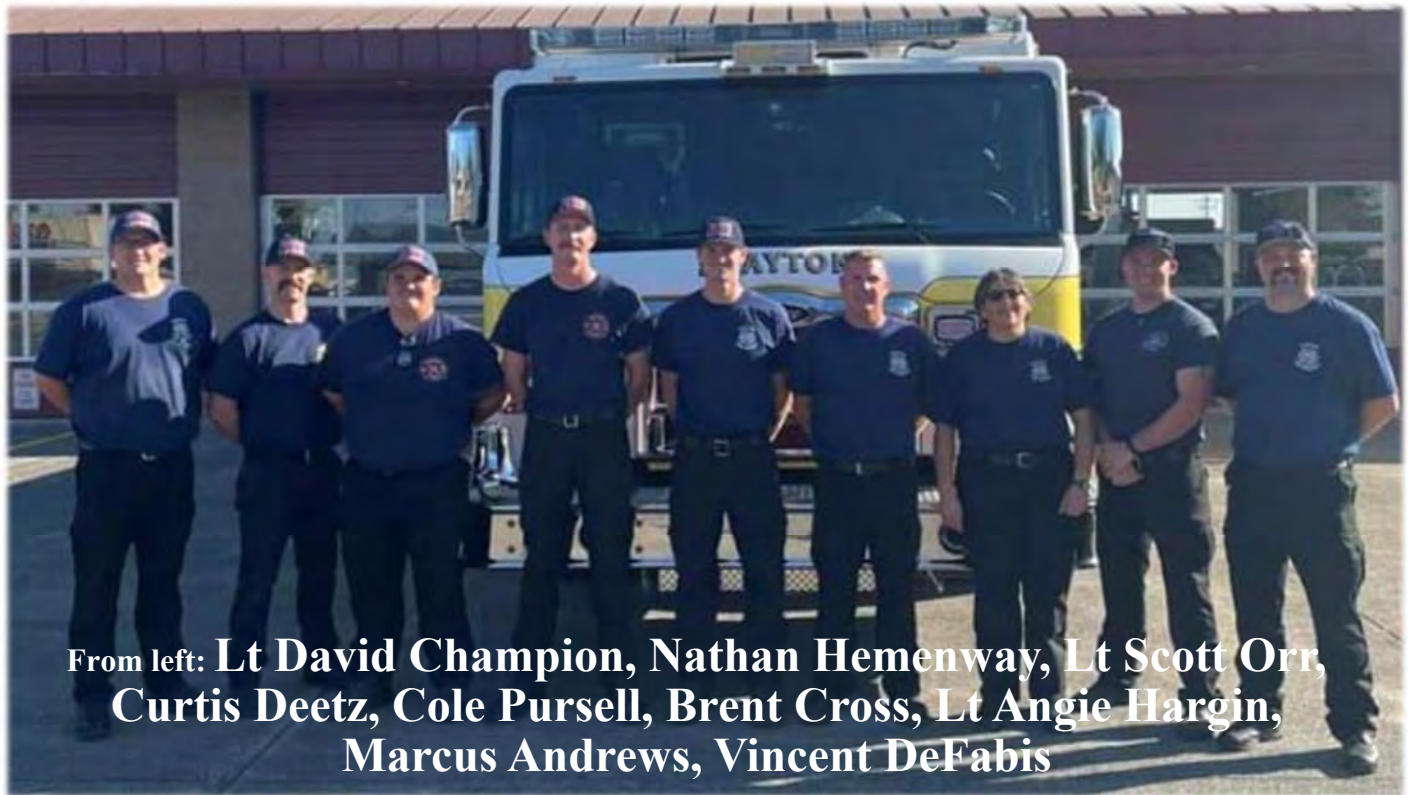
~ *Stayton Fire Chief Jack Carriger*

WELCOME to our nine new employees! This is the beginning of a new era for the Stayton Fire District and the communities we serve.

With the addition of these new positions, we will be able to provide the community quicker and more consistent

response taking the pressure off the Volunteers and allow them to concentrate on responding to the more major events. It will help take the pressure off our regular staff during the day as well, by taking on some of those duties. We will also have three more firefighters on every incident to assist the volunteers and staff.

We are honored that our community has given us this great opportunity by supporting the levy and we are excited to better meet the community's needs.



From left: Lt David Champion, Nathan Hemenway, Lt Scott Orr, Curtis Deetz, Cole Pursell, Brent Cross, Lt Angie Hargin, Marcus Andrews, Vincent DeFabis

As Captain Hansen retires we have implemented a plan to fill some big boots.

As of August 1, 2022, Lt Kurt Hueller will step in as Acting in Capacity (AIC) Captain for 6 months as we evaluate the future direction of leadership at Mehama station.

AIC Kevin Bakke and AIC Kelly Oliver will step up their responsibilities during this transition to support AIC Captain Hueller. In the fall of 2022 or early 2023, we will conduct a testing process to promote a Lt to fill a vacancy.

Congratulations to Kurt, Kevin and Kelly on your promotion to leadership with the district!!!

767 Calls for Service for Jan—August 2022

DISTRICT ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST

Laura Houston —28 yrs.
 Allyson Wren—12 yrs.
 Scott Cooper—9 yrs.
 Aletha Shine—7 yrs.
 Bradford Dees—2 yrs.
 Audrey Anderson—1 yr.

SEPTEMBER

Kevin Bakke—16 yrs.
 Greg Beitel—10 yrs.
 Sean Weitman—10 yrs.
 Dana Orr—6 yrs.
 Ashley Griffith—5 yrs.
 Josh Starbuck 5 yrs.
 Nick Pomme—2 yrs.
 Chris Enquist—2 yrs.

***Congratulations
 And Thank You
 For 115 Years
 of Service!***

**No Backyard
 burning until
 October. Call
 before you burn.
 1-877-982-0011**

Back to School Safety Tips

- Give yourself extra time for your commute to allow for bus stops, more traffic, etc.
- No texting and driving.
- Stop for school buses when red lights flashing—all lanes are closed until driver turns off flashing lights.
- Comply with directions from school crossing guards; do not block crosswalks
- Watch your speed and be aware of school zones
- Watch for more pedestrians and cyclists—share the road
- Follow the rules for drop off and pick up
- Be patient
- Be alert and drive safe



Chief Carriger swearing in firefighters Jonny Jensen, Audrey Anderson, Rachel Potter, and Tim Trahan

Plan, Practice, Be Prepared with a Home Fire Escape Plan

Home fires are burning hotter and faster, leaving as little as two minutes for people to escape. Having a plan and practicing it often can make a lifesaving difference.

Prepare

- Install a smoke alarm on every level of the home, including the basement, outside of sleeping areas, and inside each bedroom.
- Make sure everyone in the home knows the sounds of the alarm and what it means if they hear three beeps.
- Walk through the home and inspect all possible exits and escape routes. Make sure all doors and windows that lead to the outside open easily.
- Make sure street numbers outside your home can easily be seen, both day and night.

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- Create a routine of ensuring escape routes are clear of tripping hazards or potential obstacles before going to sleep each night.
- Sleeping with the door closed slows the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.

Plan

- Involve all members of the home.
- Draw a map of each level of the home, showing all doors and windows.
- When possible, identify two ways out of every room and two ways out of your home.
- Teach children to escape on their own in case an adult cannot get to them. Make sure they can open windows, remove screens, and unlock doors.
- Plan for everyone in the home, including those who are unable to exit on their own, including babies, older adults, and individuals with disabilities.
- Identify an outside meeting place in the front of the home at a safe distance, something permanent such as a tree or mailbox. Make sure everyone knows where the meeting place is and to go there if they hear the smoke alarm.
- Ensure everyone knows how to call 9-1-1 from a mobile phone or trusted neighbor's phone and that they know the address of the home.

Practice

- Push the smoke alarm to start the drill.
- Encourage everyone to get low under smoke and get out as quickly as possible.
- Try to get everyone out of the home in two minutes or less. Consider having a timer available to see how long it takes to escape.
- Practice using different ways out.
- Remind everyone to close doors behind them as they leave.
- Go to the outside meeting place.
- In the event of an actual fire, remember to get out quickly and stay out. Never go back inside for people, pets, or things.

DISTRICT BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

4—Audrey Anderson
13—Trent Tegen
13—Wyatt McDougall
21—Scott Vigil
22—David Champion
25—Steve Orr

SEPTEMBER

2—Jack Carriger
8—Eric Fery
10—Drake Smith
13—Brent Cross
22—Matt Riordan
25—Vincent DeFabis

OCTOBER

2—Laura Houston
19—Sherry Bensema
15—Kelly Oliver

Happy
Birthday!



<<<< Board Directors Ray Porter and Eric Fery prepare dinner while volunteers and their families enjoy giant water slide in lieu of last month's business meeting.

Upcoming Events...

2nd Monday—Board of Directors Meeting

1st Thursday—Safety Committee Meeting

1st Thursday—SVPC Business meeting

October 1, first day of 48/96 Shift Firefighter schedule

October 31, Chief Carriger's last day

Oct. 31 Halloween Safety Open House

Watch your email or check the website calendar for activity and event notifications
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Congratulations Corner



*Emma Ann Dees
June 29, 2022
8 lbs 10 oz*

Congratulations
Brad & Kyleah Dees



Congratulations
Jordan & Brandy Wakem



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