



The SPANNER

A Bi-Monthly Publication for the Friends and Firefighters of the Stayton Fire District

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From the Chief's Desk

~ *Stayton Fire Chief Jay Alley*

Hope everyone's New Year is off to a great start. In the past year our firefighters responded to 1261 calls for service. Thank you to all the men and women of the fire district who answered those calls.

The holiday season is always busy around the district; we started with our family Christmas dinner, quickly followed by the Santa Cruise car show and breakfast benefit for the Toys for Joy program – thank you to Russ and Margie Strohmeyer for sponsoring that event.

Our annual Toys for Joy program is for Stayton and Sublimity fire district citizens needing assistance. Volunteer Firefighter, Allyson Wren, coordinated the work and had many other volunteer helpers including a local sorority group. Also, thank you to all those that donated toys or funds to purchase toys.

We ended the season with one of our favorite ac-

tivities; touring the community with Santa on the decorated ladder truck, playing Christmas music and handing out candy canes to the kids. This event was coordinated by Volunteer Lt. Taunie Alley. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to make the holidays in our community more enjoyable.

We have experienced many changes around the district in the past few months. Chief Carriger retired. AC Jay Alley was promoted to Fire Chief and FF/EMT Doug Kintz was promoted to Asst. Chief. The District hired 9 full-time firefighters for a 24/7 response crew due to the voter approved levy. AIC Kurt Hueller was promoted to Captain and AIC Kelly Oliver and Kevin Bakke were promoted to Lieutenant positions at the Me-hama Station.

As our communities grow and more changes are needed, we will continue to strive to provide outstanding service with the men and women who are dedicated to serving YOU.

“To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.” *Winston Churchill*

FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING

The District's Fire Life Safety Team offer organizations training to learn or refresh their skills on how and when to use a fire extinguisher.

The laser driven digital fire extinguisher prop is a safe and efficient way to train. The prop responds as the trainees properly aim and sweep the extinguisher.



DISTRICT ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY

Dan Houston—36 yrs.
Gene Dershewitz—13 yrs.
Tim Wilson—4 yrs.
David Champion—1 yr.
Lavon Maskell—1 yr.

FEBRUARY

Steve Orr—12 yrs.
Scott Orr—11 yrs.
Kaitlyn Woodsmall—11 yrs.
Nathan Hemenway—1 yr.
BJ Hollensteiner—1 yr.

MARCH

Eric Peterson—17 yrs.
Jeff Harris Sr—17 yrs.
Trent Tegen—11 yrs.

*Congratulations
And Thank You
For 136 Years
of Service!*

*Thank You
for Your
Service*

Volunteer Recruitment

The past few months were busy with the holidays and all the events! Academy started on January 4th with one recruit for Stayton and 5 recruits for Sublimity. They have started working on donning and doffing turnouts and SCBA and spent the last weekend working on ropes and knots, fire

extinguishers and building construction and fire dynamics. Capt. Hueller built a tiny house (small scale fire behavior prop) out of plywood with his construction class and this weekend the recruits got to see this in action. Thank you to all the volunteers who are helping with Academy! We could not do this without you.



**Firefighters
enjoy giving
tours of the
station and
fire trucks to
our “future
firefighters”.**



♥♥♥ SWEETHEART ♥♥♥

BINGO

FEBRUARY 11TH 2023, 6PM TO 9PM

6	CONCESSIONS	44	51	
13	20	33	50	70
	17	♥	LOTS OF PRIZES	62
4		32	52	63
14	26	35	53	

Stayton Volunteer Protection Co. #1 is bringing back their Annual Sweetheart Bingo Fundraiser!

WHERE: Mehama Station
21475 Ferry RD - Mehama, Oregon
(parking available behind station)
 Suggested Donation: \$10.00 per card played or \$20.00 for all games!



DISTRICT BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

5—Jeff Harris Sr
 31—Nathan Hemenway

FEBRUARY

3—Doug Kintz
 5—Mike Beaumont
 7—Jonny Jensen
 7—Sean Mullins
 13—Chris Enquist
 14—Lucy Hemenway
 28—Ray Porter
 26—Kevin Bakke
 26—Doug Smith

MARCH

2—Guy Cox
 11—Lavon Maskell
 22—Rhonda Grant
 30—Maria Sammons

Happy Birthday!

THANK YOU to Scentsy Consultant, Lyndia Basl, for holding a fundraiser for Scentsy Buddies for Stayton Fire District.

Lyndia received donations for 84 Buddies to be given to trauma victims, the elderly or children that might need comforting during an emergency. Thanks Lyndia!



Upcoming Events...

Happy New Year!

Jan 4—Fire Academy started

Feb 11—Sweetheart BINGO at Mehama Station

Feb 14—Happy Valentine's Day

EMT classes in progress

March 18—Awards Banquet

Watch your emails or check calendar on website for more info.

** Congratulations Corner **



Scott & Regina Cooper welcome granddaughter, Addilyn, 6 lbs., born on Dec. 8th to parents Cadence & Brody Michael.

We have 4 members who completed their Pump Operator Course and are now working on task book sign offs. Please help Chris Enquist, Jonny Jensen, Antonio Johnson, and Rachael Potter get some practice. Congratulations!!

Effective January 5th, 2023 AIC Captain Kurt Huller has been promoted to Captain; AIC LT Kevin Bakke and Kelly Oliver have been promoted to LT. They were sworn in at the January business meeting. Congratulations Kurt, Kelly and Kevin!



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