



DPSST Bulletin

Training For Excellence

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Academy Training Supervisor Appointed

After an extensive recruitment, DPSST is pleased to announce our most recent addition to the leadership team. Scott Brewen is the new Academy Training Supervisor. His duties include oversight of all classroom instruction at DPSST with direct supervision of both the Training Coordinators and part-time instructors in the Basic and Leadership classes. Scott was previously the Leadership Training Coordinator at DPSST.



Prior to his work at DPSST, Scott was an Officer in the U.S. Coast Guard for nine years. His most recent assignment was the Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Cutter ORCAS in Coos Bay.

Scott's training includes three years as the Training Supervisor of the Coast Guard Pacific Area Training Team where he oversaw programs in law enforcement, fire fighting, and other operational specific areas. In this capacity he participated in drafting law enforcement policy for the Coast Guard, conducted needs assessments, developed training programs, qualified and evaluated instructors and participated as a trainer in a number of subject areas.

Scott graduated from the United States Coast Guard Academy in 1991 with a B.S. in Mathematics, and is currently enrolled in the distance learning graduate program in Instructional and Performance Technology at Boise State University.

Scott can be reached at (503) 378-2100, ext. 2220 or emailed at scott.brewen@state.or.us

DPSST Satellite Office additions

As the staff at DPSST continues to grow, workspace continues to be a challenge. As temporary measures until the new facility is built, office reorganizations and relocations have occurred based on the functions staff perform, and to accommodate additional staff.

After much consideration and planning, the Accreditation Section, Regional Training and the Resource Center have moved to the "Capitol & Gaines Building" located at 1320 Capitol Street NE, Salem. The new telephone number is (503) 378-4888. From this number individual sections can be reached as follows:

- Dial 1 for Private Security
- Dial 2 for Regional Training
- Dial 3 for Accreditation Section

**The mission of
DPSST is to
promote
excellence in
public safety
through the
development of
professional
standards and
the delivery of
quality training.**

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“Range 2000” equipment now installed

Judgement under pressure.....

Range 2000 is a force-control simulator that fully covers all aspects of the use-of-force continuum; from classroom theory to the most realistic practice using the whole range of force control, from

officer stance and demeanor, communication and verbalization skills, to non-deadly weapons and firearms training. This training is an integral part of the Basic Police training and is available through Regional Training. For scheduling, please contact your Regional Training Coordinator.



For more information, contact Cary Gilman, Survival Skills Supervisor
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New Lot for Instructor Parking

Lot M consists of two parking lots: the lot behind the library and the one-way street to the north side of the library. Instructors, please mark your parking permit with an “M” or pick up a new one at reception.



With the recent purchase of a Skid Car Trailer, the challenge of providing this equipment regionally is being addressed.

The Skid Car Trailer will enable staff to transport the Skid Car, pulled by a utility vehicle, and greatly reduce the staff time in installing the skid car equipment from 8 hours to 1 hour since the equipment remains intact.

New Addition to Regional Training Equipment

Additional benefits to using a Skid Car is that the training site can be a large parking lot rather than a vacant airport runway when using a regular vehicle.

Plans are currently being developed to determine how this equipment will be scheduled, transported and made available to our constituents.

For more information, please contact
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Constituent Committee Work Results In Amendments To The Reading And Writing Standards

Through the efforts of the Police Advisory Committee's work over the past year, the Board of Public Safety Standards and Training (BPSST) recently approved an amendment to the Oregon Administrative Rules, adopting a standard for reading and writing competency for all law enforcement officers attending the Basic Police or Police Career Officer Development classes. This standard requires that police officers read and write at the 12th grade English level and it will be implemented throughout the next 12 months. Information on the implementation process, along with a list of approved test vendors, will be mailed to all law enforcement agencies within the next few weeks.

For additional information, contact Mary Gaines, Supervisor, Certification and Records Section, at 503-378-2100, ext. 2367, or Shawn Irish, Certification Coordinator, at ext. 2223.

Additions to DPSST Staff

Please join us in welcoming new staff members.....



SHAWN IRISH
Certification
Coordinator

Prior to coming to DPSST, Shawn has worked as a Court Administrator in the Devils Lake Justice Court, and as a paralegal for both the Oregon Judicial Department of the Supreme Court/Court of Appeals and Oregon Tax Court. Additionally, Shawn served on active duty in the United States Navy as a Radioman and currently is in the reserves as a Legalman. Shawn is completing her Master's degree in Business, specializing in Organizational Effectiveness.

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WILLIAM BALDWIN
Fire Accreditation
Coordinator

After 27 years of federal civil service as a firefighter, William retired from the Department of Navy and began his employment with DPSST. Bill's fire and emergency services career began in 1973 and he has held the positions of Fire Captain at the Naval Air Station in Bermuda, Assistant Fire Chief, Fire Chief and the US Navy Fire Marshal.

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PAM COLLETT
Telecommunications
Coordinator

Pam began her Telecommunications career as a Communications Specialist with the Eugene Police/Central Lane 9-1-1 over sixteen years ago. Pam served as a Call Taker, Lead Communications Specialist, Trainer and Supervisor. Pam implemented the Field Training & Evaluation Program for the Communications Division at Eugene Police. Pam has also served as a DPSST Instructor, Background Investigator and EPD 9-1-1 Training Manager.

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Salem selected as site for new Public Safety Academy

On November 5, 2001, the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training announced that Salem has been selected as the preferred site for construction of a new Public Safety Training Academy. The location of the site is in southeast Salem, on property currently owned by the Department of Corrections, adjacent to Aumsville Highway, just east of the Marion County Jail. The decision to locate the academy in this location was predicated on the fact that the property is already owned by the State and lacks apparent issues that could delay the start or completion of construction. The location provides the maximum accessibility by staff, instructors, and constituents and should help to alleviate current challenges in maintaining an adequate part-time instructor pool. It is also the site that has received the most support across the state from the state's public safety providers.

This decision was reached after many months of evaluating sites across the state. DPSST received 13 proposals from communities wanting to have DPSST in their communities. Each site was analyzed based on several key features, including zoning restrictions, environmental issues, infrastructure costs, community acceptance, future operational costs or constraints, property availability and size, and potentials to delay construction. The reviews were conducted by the DPSST Facility Steering Committee and the Core Facility Work Group in coordination with the Department of Administrative Services.

The Salem site presents unique opportunities for partnerships. The proximity to the current site will aid in the phase-in process and may allow for continued partnerships with Western Oregon University. It also virtually eliminates relocation costs or disruption to employees or instructors. The proximity to three Department of Corrections facilities and the Marion County Sheriff's jail facility will allow for inmate labor opportunities without significant security risks as well as shared use of the facilities by other agencies as space allows. Any future industrial or commercial development in the area would not be directly adjacent to the campus. In meetings with the neighbors on locating the academy in this area, the response was very positive in that the academy would add an element of security to an area dominated by correctional institutions.

The Department was instructed by the 1997 legislature to increase police training to 16 weeks from 8 weeks at that time. The inadequacy of training facilities at the present location on the Western Oregon University campus in Monmouth has prevented that from occurring.

Currently, police officers in Oregon receive 10 weeks of basic training, which is significantly below the national average of 22 weeks. DPSST has over the past 10 years assumed additional new responsibility for training corrections officers, parole and probation officers, firefighters, emergency medical dispatchers, and telecommunicators, and licensing of private security officers placing additional burden on its existing facilities.

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