

MINUTES

Oregon Life Safety Team

Meeting Date: Thursday, January 26, 2012

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Oregon Public Safety Academy - Room A234, 4190 Aumsville Hwy SE, Salem, OR 97317



Members, Representing:

Bob Wright, OSFM	Ginger Slavens, Tillamook Co
Bryan Emmons, Public at Large	Jeff Cranford, Yamhill Co
Candice Clark, OSFM	Jim Kusz, Lincoln Co
Chris Dugan, Clatsop Co	Joanne Hatch, Clackamas Co
Cindy Kettering, Crook Co & Deschutes Co	Les Hallman, OFCA
Claire McGrew, OSFM	Scott Goetchius, Multnomah Co
Daniel Hammel, Wasco Co	Terry Wolfe, OSFM
Dave Fields, OSFM	Tom Fields, ODF
Debbie McDermott, OFMA	

Guest, Agency:

Mark Wallace, OSFM

Claire called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m., January 26, 2012.

Claire thanked members for attending the meeting.

Regional and County Fire Service Reports:

Clackamas County – Joanne Hatch

- TVF&R conducted over 700 events, 36 safety house events, and reached over 60,000 people in 2011.
- TVF&R in partnership with The American Heart Association conducted a Hands Only CPR campaign using the Mini-Anne Manikins. They taught over 80 eighth graders at Valley Catholic middle school. These 80 students were required to teach five friends and family which equates to over 600 family and friends that have the Hands Only CPR.

Clatsop County – Chris Dugan (New Member)

- Chris attended the Clatsop County Juvenile with Fire Intervention Network meeting on January 24, 2012 at Warrenton Fire Department.
- Clatsop County Juvenile with Fire Intervention Network is hosting the Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist 1 (NFPA 1035) Training on May 30-31, 2012, at Warrenton Fire Department.

Crook County & Deschutes County – Cindy Kettering

- Preparing to deliver the team teaching program in Central Oregon.
- Bend Fire Department in cooperation with Central Oregon Council on Aging has developed an SOS (Safety Outreach for Seniors) program and will be presented at the 2012 Pacific Northwest Prevention Training Workshop on February 14, 2012.

Lincoln County – Jim Kusz

- Jim will be helping Jeff Cranford in McMinnville this March with Oregon Parks and Recreation's Robert Smith and Oregon State Marine Board on beach and water safety.
- Lincoln County is conducting a countywide evaluation on how their district and departments can work more effectively on the central Oregon coast.

Multnomah County - Scott Goetchius

- Portland Fire & Rescue is going through organizational changes.

Yamhill County – Jeff Cranford

- Jeff informed members of the upcoming event at Evergreen Safety & Information Fair. This event is free and takes place on March 24, 2012 at the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum in McMinnville, Oregon. They have 45 confirmed vendors including ODF, Life Flight, Reach Air, and the Coast Guard They are offering a reduced admission rate to fair attendees for the museum and water park.
 - [Evergreen Safety & Information Fair flyer](#).

Federal, State, County, City and Private Agency Reports:

Office of State Fire Marshal - Bob Wright, Claire McGrew, Dave Fields, Mark Wallace, and Terry Wolfe Bob Wright

- Bob's deputies are heavily involved with local projects through Douglas Forest Protective Association and other associations around southwestern Oregon.

Claire McGrew

- Claire asked members if they are attending the Pacific Northwest Fire Prevention Training Workshop on February 13-17, 2012 at Salishan Lodge in Gleneden Beach, Oregon.
 - ODF will not be able to attend this year due to budget cuts.
 - Jim Kusz will be conducting a walkthrough.
 - Tom Fields will be teaching *Senate Bill 360 – County Coordinators' Boot Camp*.
- Claire provided an update on the Oregon Garden Fire Safety House. The committee involved with the house hope to open by the beginning of July.
- Claire offered members Youth Fire Prevention and Intervention school resources to take back to their agencies.
 - [Reporting School Fire brochure](#) with the [Report Every Fire DVD](#) enclosed. This is a product of the Office of State Fire Marshal in partnership with the Special Districts Association of Oregon and PACE. This kit was mailed to all Oregon fire chiefs and fire marshals and will be mailed to every school in February.
 - [A Guide for Home Escape Planning](#) was designed for use with the Start Safe program.
 - [A Guide To Station Tours](#) with the [Age Appropriate Learning DVD](#) enclosed.
 - [Do The Drill: A School Resource Guide to Evacuation Planning](#)
- Claire informed members of two upcoming Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist 1 (NFPA) Training. They are scheduled for April 12-13, 2012, at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Oregon and for May 30-31, 2012, at Warrenton Fire Department in Warrenton, Oregon. For more information or to register visit: <http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/Training.shtml>.
- Claire shared a Corvallis Fire Department press release about the *After the Fire* documentary film to be presented on February 22, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at The LaSells Stewart Center on the Oregon State University Campus, 875 Southwest 26th Street, Corvallis, OR 97331. The presentation is free and open to the public. Their goal is to get 1,200 students and community members to attend.
 - See attached Corvallis Press Release.
 - For questions about the films presentation please contact Jim Patton, Fire Prevention Officer for Corvallis Fire Department at jim.patton@ci.corvallis.or.us.
 - To learn more about the film and its director go to: www.AfterTheFireMovie.com or www.guideoverweyen.com.
- Claire informed members that OSFM is looking at the *Ready Set Go* program.

Dave Fields

- La Grand Fire Department has almost completed refurbishing the 2-story fire safety house they received from OSFM, Robert Tibbetts is leading this department wide project.
- Dave has attended Fire Prevention Cooperatives up and down I-84.
 - Central Oregon Fire Prevention Cooperative discussed theaters in the Hood River and Hermiston area looking for PSAs to run for free. Both Hood River and Hermiston say statistically between 750,000 to 1,000,000 people attend their theaters.
 - Mid-Columbia and Umatilla Fire Prevention Cooperatives discussed debris burning
- Office of State Fire Marshal is holding a Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist 1 (NFPA 1035) Training on April 12-13, 2012, at the Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Oregon.
- Central Oregon Fire Prevention Cooperative would like to sponsor a centrally located OLST meeting in central Oregon once a year so that OLST members located in Central Oregon could attend.

Mark Wallace, State Fire Marshal

- State Fire Marshal Wallace talked shared photos of the 2009 Black Saturday Fire in Australia. He was one of 15 who worked with the Royal Commission to review the studies on the Kilmore East fire that involved 3,000,000 acres, and caused around 119 fatalities, 2,100 homes and 100 schools to be lost. Their previous messaging was evaluated for effectiveness and . the development of the *Ready Set Go* program was a result of this study.

Terry Wolfe

- Terry provided an update on the new *Take the Right Steps (A fire and fall prevention and safety program for older adults)* Train-the-Trainer Class that was launched in November. We have held three classes and trained 31 students.
- Terry informed members that NFPA has a new northwest public education advisor Gary Honold, located in Missoula, Montana. He replaces Monica Colby.
 - Gary Honold at 406-241-5981 or Imagesnwords_7@msn.com.
- Terry reminded members of recent listserv releases:
 - SmokeFree/FireSafe materials for landlords and residents that includes educational pieces for landlords and residents of multi-unit housing and media messages. Terry provided samples of these pieces that are fully customizable by emailing Diane Laughter at diane.laughter@comcast.net.
 - To view samples visit: www.smokefreehousinginfo.com/pages/SmokeFree-FireSafe.html.
 - Grants Management Class is scheduled for March 29-30, 2012, at DPSST, and tuition is \$595.
 - For more information visit: <http://grantwritingusa.com/grants-training/grant-management-workshops/salem-oregon-march-2012.html>.
 - F-273 Marketing Fire Prevention in your Community is scheduled for April 30-May 1, 2012 at DPSST, is sponsored by NFA and being hosted by OSFM and DPSST, is free, and free lodging is available for those who will travel 75 miles or more one way.
 - For more information visit: http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/Training.shtml#OSFM_Training_Opportunities.
- Terry received notification that the 2012 Fire & Life Safety Educators Conference of the Rockies is scheduled for April 18-20, 2012, in Estes Park, Colorado.
 - For more information visit: <http://www.firesafetyeducators.org/>.

Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) – Tom Fields (New Member)

- Tom is the new fire prevention coordinator for ODF. He was the Douglas County Fire Prevention Cooperative President for about eight years.

Fire Service Association Reports:

Oregon Fire Chiefs Association (OFCA) – Les Hallman

- OFCA 2012 Spring Conference is scheduled for May 9-11, 2012 at Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Oregon. For more information visit: <http://www.ofca.org/>.

Oregon Fire Marshals Association (OFMA) – Debbie McDermott

- Debbie highlighted the classes being held during the upcoming 2012 Pacific Northwest Prevention Training Workshop and OFMA Annual Board Meeting on February 13-17, 2012 in Gleneden Beach, Oregon.
 - To view the workshop flyer visit: www.ofma.net/WebDocs/2012%20Prevention%20Workshop.pdf.

Agenda Items:

2012 Kickoff – Claire McGrew

Claire reviewed the OLST logo and purpose. The OLST purpose statement is "To coordinate and implement consistent statewide fire prevention education."

- She shared the roles and responsibilities with members, and welcomed new representatives Chris Dugan and Tom Fields to the team.
- Claire mentioned we will have a strategic planning session for the March OLST meeting since we should have enough of NFIRS data in to decide what we want to focus our prevention efforts on for 2012.

Smoke Alarm Program Updates – Terry Wolfe

Terry informed members that the guidance documents are completed and they are meeting with the training development specialist on this program. He will provide an outline of the program during the March OLST meeting to get members input.

Home Heating Safety - Terry Wolfe

Terry briefly discussed the [Home Heating Safety brochure](#). They targeted current fire casualty causes. He asked members to provide feedback by next Monday, January 30, 2012 so they can compile feedback, finalize changes and get the brochure to print by February.

- Claire informed members that this brochure is a product of both the Educational Message and Home Fire Safety Subcommittee members.

Terry briefly discussed the draft [Recreational Vehicle Home Fire Safety brochure](#). He asked members for feedback.

- Chris Duggan mentioned a reason people sometimes remove smoke alarms from the RV is because steam from cooking and showers can set them off.
 - State Fire Marshal Wallace suggested photoelectric smoke alarms might work better in an RV.
- Dan Hammel has found electric heater overload to be a common cause of fires in an RV. The electrical system doesn't appear to be designed to support long term use of electric space heaters.
- Dave Fields mentioned that people are having their RV retrofitted for propane, they are not always done correctly and the deputy state fire marshals have received complaints from propane companies.
- Jim Kusz would like to have Oregon State Parks give the brochure out to vacationers at campgrounds.
- Tom Fields would like to add an attention grabbing phrase to the brochure.
 - Tom gave an example "historically there have been this many RV fires resulting in so many deaths".
 - Debbie McDermott suggested "in the past two to three years the number of RV deaths have increased by some percent".
 - Jim Kusz suggested "Fire Doesn't Take a Vacation" or "Don't Forget to Pack Your Brain" for vacationers.

Terry discussed the *Using Home Oxygen Safely* brochure. He asked members to provide feedback by the end of February so he can provide the brochure at the March OLST meeting.

- Terry says Dave Gulledge discovered a fire department in Massachusetts had already created a brochure on using home oxygen safely.
- Terry suggested that the oxygen distributors could hand out this brochure when supplying oxygen.
- See attached *Using Home Oxygen Safely* brochure.

Subcommittee Updates – Subcommittee Chairs

- Claire reported that the Educational Messaging Subcommittee and Home Fire Safety Subcommittees met and reviewed home heating. The recommendations are attached to the November 17, 2011 minutes.

- Terry shared that the Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Alarms Subcommittee discussed what the new smoke alarm program would look like and some of the options to make this program more accessible in a multitude of different scenarios.
 - We are going to maintain the traditional training that we have had in the past because there are still departments that will want help establishing a five step process.
 - We are also creating other options where if we identify direct needs, an example a fire department found a trailer park with older adults where they discovered no smoke alarms were installed, they requested 100 smoke alarms to install and provided Terry with the addresses where they installed.
 - Terry is working with Dave Gullede to get the addresses where smoke alarms are installed into a database to show output.
 - We are also requesting that a certain percentage of follow up visits or phone calls be made six months to a year later to see how many smoke alarms are still operational.
- Scott Goetchius reported that when he attended a TVF&R landlord training program and one point that he found valuable was TVF&R's example of how they followed up on the installed smoke alarms. Scott asked Joanne Hatch what percentage of the smoke alarms was still operational.
 - Joanne reported that 30 days after smoke alarm installation they had over a 50 percent disabling rate as they had been removed again.

Other Business:

- Members approved the November 17, 2011 minutes.
 - To view visit: www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Comm_Ed/LST/Minutes/2011/11-17-11.pdf.
- Dan Hammel reported that a Special Districts Association of Oregon representative provided him the [Reporting School Fire brochure](#) and informed him that they are offering a \$500 grant. He filled out the one page application.
- Jim Kusz suggested we work with local theaters to get our messages out.

Adjournment: 3:35 p.m.



Press Release For Immediate Release

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DATE: 1/20/2012

SUBJECT: "After the Fire" Documentary Film to be Presented in Corvallis

EVENT TIME AND LOCATION: February 22nd, 7:00 PM, LASELLS STEWART CENTER (OSU)

CONTACT PERSON:

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AFTER THE FIRE Documentary Film to be Presented in Corvallis

The Corvallis Fire Department is excited to announce that on February 22nd at 7:00 pm. at the LaSells Stewart Center on the Oregon State University campus the recently completed documentary film AFTER THE FIRE (a story of Heroes & Cowards) will be presented by the films director Guido Verweyen.

AFTER THE FIRE, based on the Pulitzer Prize story and NYTimes bestseller, tells the inspiring survival story of freshmen roommates Shawn Simons and Alvaro Llanos after the tragic Seton Hall University fire, that killed 3 students. And it is the story of the search for the arsonists—and the elaborate conspiracy that nearly obscured the truth.

Both Shawn and Alvaro will be joining Guido during the films presentation and will share their incredible and inspiring story.

Recent press include The NYTimes ("A POWERFUL EXPLORATION ON TRUTH & HUMANITY"), FilmThreat.com just reviewed AFTER THE FIRE as: "ONE OF THE MOST COMPELLING DOCUMENTARIES IN RECENT YEARS"

Guido Verweyen's other directing credits include NBC's Starting Over (for which he won an Emmy in 2005), America's Next Top Model/CW, The Bachelor/ABC, Gone Country/CMT, Hilary Duff's "This Is Now"/MTV.... and was DP for the Oscar nominated documentary "The Man On Lincoln's Nose" .

The short film will be of particular value for resident students but should also have significant interest for faculty, staff, and local residents. Shawn and Alvaro will share not only the tragic experience of surviving the fire and their long and painful road to recovery but also how their friendship helped them through the experience and how they are striving to be an inspiration to others.

The presentation is free and open to the public. To learn more about the film and it's director go to:

www.AfterTheFireMovie.com

www.guidoverweyen.com

For questions about the films presentation please contact Jim Patton, Fire Prevention Office, Corvallis Fire Department at Jim.patton@ci.corvallis.or.us.

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1-800-833-5256 (Español),
1-800-833-1477 (TDD)

or online at www.trytostop.org

American Cancer Society

1-800-227-2345

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American Lung Association

www.lungusa.org

Resources for
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1-800-AGE-INFO

(1-800-243-4636)

Executive Office
of Elder Affairs



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Oxygen + Smoking
is Dangerous

Oxygen + Fire
is Deadly!

"Smoking in homes where people use oxygen starts many fires each year that cause deaths and injuries to patients, family members, neighbors and pets.

These fires force whole families and other building tenants out of their homes, destroy a lifetime's possessions and cause hundreds of thousands of dollars in property damage."

Stephen D. Coan
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

What you and your family should know:

Using home oxygen increases the risk of fires and burns.

When oxygen is used in the home, the amount of oxygen in the air, furniture, clothing and hair goes up, making it easier for a fire to start and spread.

When more oxygen is in the air, fires will burn hotter and faster.

When using home oxygen, learn how to handle it safely—especially if you smoke.

It is important to keep home oxygen and tubing 10 feet away from heat sources.

Common heat sources are:

- » Matches
- » Lighters
- » Cigarettes
- » Candles
- » Gas stoves
- » Appliances
- » Electric razors
- » Hair dryers
- » Heaters

Don't use flammable products such as:

- » Oils
- » Grease
- » Petroleum products
- » Oil based lip balms or lotions

For doctors, nurses and therapists:

Smoking while using home oxygen is not just a personal health hazard but a public safety danger. It puts everyone in the building at risk.

Encourage and help patients to quit smoking.

Help patients to understand the fire dangers of home oxygen use.

More information for health care providers on smoking cessation is available at www.trytostop.org.



Smoking Issues

No one should smoke in your home. The fire danger is too great.

You should not smoke.

Your family and friends should not smoke around you.

Quitting is the best thing you can do for your health and safety.

If you must smoke:

- Disconnect the oxygen.
- Wait 10 minutes.
- Go outside to smoke.

This gives the oxygen time to come off your hair and clothes into the open air.

This is not a safe way to smoke but is less risky than smoking indoors.

Home Fire Safety

Your family should help make sure your home has working smoke alarms.

You and your family should make and practice a home escape plan.