



Hot Spots from the State Fire Marshal May 2011

OFCA Meritorious Awards Banquet May 14

The 10th Annual Oregon Fire Service Meritorious Awards Banquet, hosted by the Oregon Fire Chiefs Association, is scheduled Saturday, May 14, 2011 at the Salem Convention Center. The event begins with a no-host bar at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Attire is semi-formal/formal; Class A uniforms recommended. Cost is \$35 per person. RSVPs must be received by Monday, May 9, 2011 by calling 503-587-9427 or toll free 888-846-5741. You can also email your RSVP to ofca@ofca.org. [RSVP forms are available on the OFCA website.](#)

Start Safe kits and training available

Start Safe: A Fire and Burn Safety Program for Preschoolers and Their Families provides preschool teachers and fire educators the tools needed to help parents and caregivers make their homes safer. The program also provides tools to deliver effective fire education to children ages 3-6 years old. The Office of State Fire Marshal's Youth Fire Prevention and Intervention Program, in partnership with the Home Safety Council and Safe Kids Oregon, are providing Start Safe kits and training to fire agencies and preschool programs throughout the state at no cost. To schedule training in your community, contact Helen Feroli at Helen.feroli@state.or.us or Judy Okulitch at judy.okulitch@state.or.us

OSFM managers create Positive Action Committee

A group of managers at the Office of State Fire Marshal recently created the OSFM Positive Action Committee with the goal of maintaining morale and skill improvement through awards, recognition, and training opportunities. Employees can be nominated for recognition by anyone inside or outside the agency. Visitors to the OSFM's Salem office are encouraged to comment on their experiences with OSFM employees using cards available at the entrance desk. You can also send comments via email to oregon.sfm@state.or.us.