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State Fire Marshal invites nominations for annual Sparky awards

The Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) is accepting nominations for the 2018 Golden and Silver Sparky awards. Nomination forms are available online on the OSFM website at http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/pages/index.aspx or by calling Sally Cravinho at 503-934-8205 or emailing sally.cravinho@state.or.us.

The Golden Sparky award recognizes a member of the fire service for outstanding achievement in fire prevention or public fire safety education. The Silver Sparky award recognizes a civilian for

outstanding achievement in fire prevention or public fire safety education.

"Oregon has a great history of public service in fire safety," said Oregon State Fire Marshal Jim Walker. "We always want to recognize not only the importance of fire prevention and education, but also those who are committed to making a difference. While I know this is a busy time of year for everyone, this is a great opportunity to highlight the quality work being done in fire prevention."

You don't have to be a member of the fire service to nominate any person or agency. Nominations may be submitted by any member of the public.

The nomination deadline is February 23, 2018. Submit completed forms with an explanation and examples of your nominee's achievements and contributions to preventing fires and fire losses in Oregon. Send nominations via email or standard mail to sally.cravinho@state.or.us or Sally Cravinho, 3565 Trelstad Ave. SE, Salem, OR, 97317-9614. Awards will be presented at the 2018 Oregon Fire Marshal Conference in March.