



Hot Spots from the State Fire Marshal January 2010

Fire Service Appreciation Day, January 27, 2010

The Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) along with a number of partner agencies is hosting a Fire Service Appreciation Day event at the OSFM headquarters in Salem, Wednesday, January 27, 2010. A short formal ceremony and brief remarks begin at 11:00 a.m. Members of the fire service and general public are welcome to attend or drop by from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and tour the office to view displays from OSFM units recognizing members of the fire service for their work in 2009. Ceremony participants also include the Oregon Fire Choir, and the Salem Professional Firefighters Pipes & Drums. Light refreshments will also be served. For more information contact Rich Hoover at 503-834-8217 or email richard.hoover@state.or.us.

Sparky award nominations

The OSFM is seeking nominations for the 2010 Golden and Silver Sparky awards. The Golden Sparky is presented for outstanding achievement in fire prevention or public fire safety education for fire service personnel; the Silver Sparky is presented for outstanding achievement or contributions to the fire service in prevention or education for civilians. The nomination form is available at: <http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Administration/Sparkyform.pdf> or by contacting Laura Drager at 503-934-8211 or email laura.drager@state.or.us. The nomination deadline is April 19, 2010. Awards will be presented Saturday, May 22, 2010 at the Oregon Fire Service Meritorious Awards banquet at the Salem Conference Center in Salem, Oregon.

Fire Bridge reporting launches

The January 1 launch of the new Fire Bridge incident reporting system is a success. Honors for the first department to use the system go to the North Bend Fire Department. North Bend sent in the first incident report at 2 a.m., January 1. Since that first report, more than 25 additional departments and districts have used the new system to log more than 165 calls. For more information on Fire Bridge, contact Data Unit Manager Claire McGrew at 503-934-8236 or claire.mcgreg@state.or.us.