

Scott M. Jalbert, Unit Chief

**January 18, 2018** 

To:

**Honorable LOCSD Board of Directors** 

From:

Greg Alex, Battalion Chief

Subject:

Agenda Item 9A – January 18, 2018 Board Meeting

**District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for November 2017** 

## **EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

- 1. Station 15 South Bay responded to 127 calls in November, including 77 Medical Aids; 12 incidents were reported as Fire; 17 as Public Service Assists.
- 2. Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies in the month of November a total of eight times.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

- 3. Due to several recent changes in staffing, the Station 15 South Bay Org Chart has been updated (see attached).
- 4. Throughout the month of November, Station 15 South Bay accepted applications for a 15-hour Office Assistant, with interviews scheduled in December.
- 5. On November 4, 2017 Reserve Firefighter Randy Cavigli resigned after 1 year of service to the community of Los Osos. Randy accepted a permanent Firefighter position with Los Angeles County Fire. We wish Randy a bright and successful future!

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

- 6. During the month of November, Station 15 South Bay, in cooperation with KSBY Television and the San Luis Obispo County Firefighters Benevolent Association continued the Operation Santa Claus and the Season of Hope charity events, providing unwrapped presents to needy children under the care of San Luis Obispo County Child Protective Services and the Season of Hope provides food and toys to local Food Banks and Toy Agencies.
- 7. On November 4, 2017, Station 15 South Bay hosted a Party at the Firehouse for two brothers, ages 9 and 6, who were the winners of our Stamp Station Game at the Fire Safety Fair in October. The boys invited their friends to enjoy a pizza party, along with a tour of the Fire Station and Engines. Each child left with a Fire Hat and several souvenirs.

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- 8. Throughout the month of November, 2017 CAL FIRE staff continued discussions with Verizon Wireless and SLO County regarding intermittent cell coverage in Los Osos. The current service has negatively impacted emergency personnel with receiving updated information in a timely manner. Attached is a letter sent to SLO County Planner, Cody Scheel, regarding this issue.
- 9. On November 6, 7 and 9, 2017, Station 15 South Bay hosted the Sunnyside Pre-School on a Station tour of approximately 18 children (ranging from 0-5 years) each day, along with their parents. Firefighters provided a tour of Medic Engine 15 and Medic Rescue 15, along with basic fire safety tips. In addition, each child was provided with Fire Hats, stickers and other trinkets.

# **FIRE PREVENTION**

- 10. On November 16, 2017, Station 15 South Bay Staff met with about 20 kids, ages 3-5 years old at Headstart Preschool. The firefighters talked with the kids about fire safety and how firefighters do their job. The tour also included a demonstration of structure fire gear and a chance to climb around in the cab of the Fire Engine.
- 11. On November 17, 2017, Station 15 South Bay Staff provided Hands-Only CPR instruction to 6 teenagers at a local church.

# **TRAINING**

12. On November 11, 2017, Station 15 – South Bay hosted a Physical Ability Test for 19 prospective Reserve Firefighter Applicants. Seventeen of the Applicants successfully passed and Oral Interviews were held on November 12, 2017 with eight applicants being selected to continue in the hiring process. These applicants will submit to a medical exam by a physician and pending a medical clearance, applicants will then be provided between 48 and 275 hours of training, depending on pre-existing training prior to being eligible to work shifts or respond to call backs at Station 15 - South Bay. Staff anticipates that all eight applicants will be eligible to respond upon completion of the Station 15 – South Bay Rookie Taskbook (about 48 hours of training). Reserve Company 15 currently has 17 of 25 positions filled.

Respectfully Submitted,

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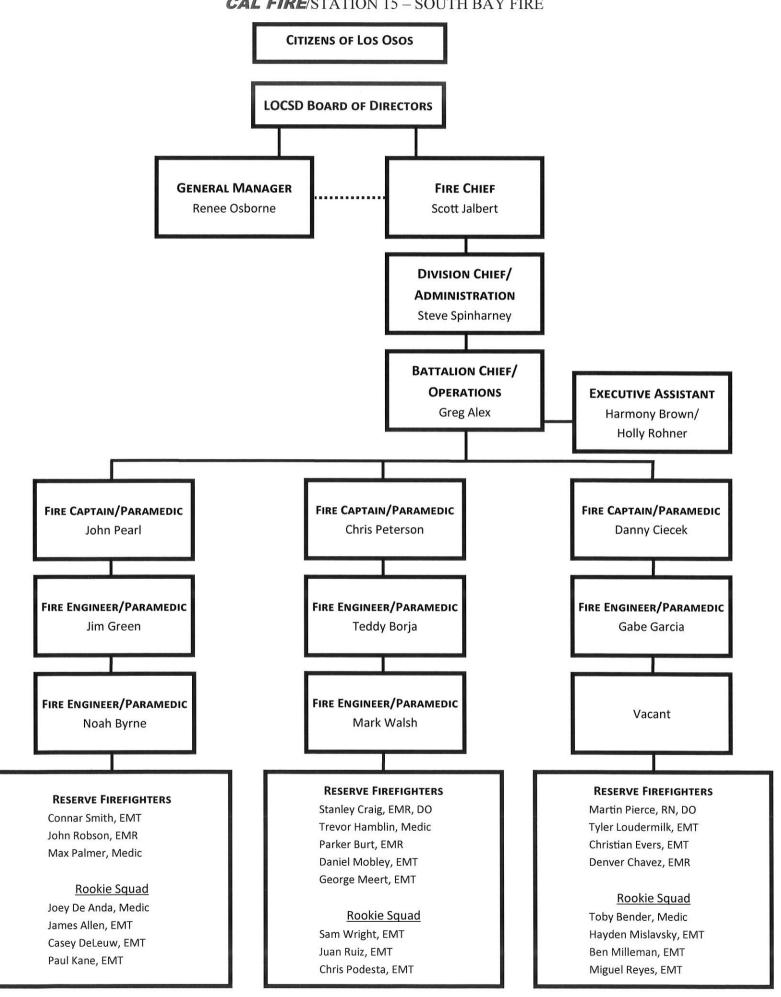
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By Greg Alex, North Coast Battalion Chief

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# LOS OSOS COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT **CAL FIRE**/STATION 15 – SOUTH BAY FIRE





Scott M. Jalbert, Unit Chief

December 19, 2017

Cody Scheel, County Planner San Luis Obispo County 976 Osos Street, Room 300 San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Dear Mr. Scheel,

This letter is to indicate our support for approved service improvements and expansion permits to the cell coverage system in Los Osos. The Fire Department is consistently experiencing spotty coverage, specifically at the Fire Station, 2315 Bayview Heights Drive, and the South Bay Training Center, 880 Manzanita.

With today's technology, consistent and high-quality cell service is necessary, especially when it comes to reaching needed services during an Emergency. In the Morro Bay area, sites were recently added that greatly improved coverage. The addition of sites in Los Osos should produce the same result.

Please include this letter of support in each of the application packages for future projects.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Greg Alex** 

North Coast Battalion Chief

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# An Artful 'Thank You' to **South Bay Fire**

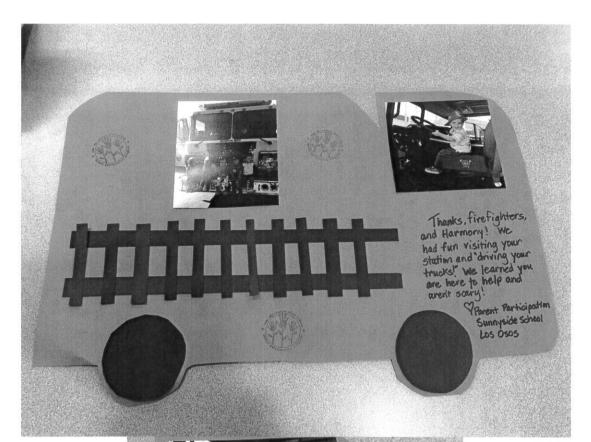
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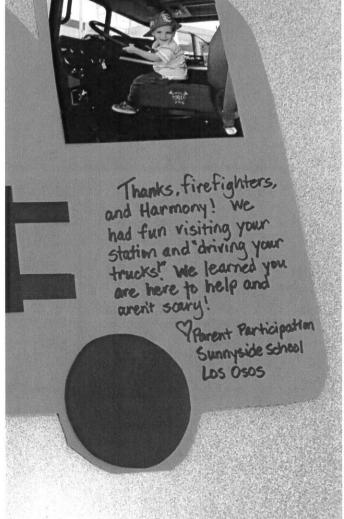
Baywood Park businessman, Paul Irving, and Los Osos artist, Ted Emrick, got together to honor the local fire department, presenting the crew with a beautiful sculpture made by Emrick at his Los Osos studio, presenting the artwork just before the first Baywood Lighted Boat Parade, a non-motorized boat parade held Oct. 8 in the Baywood Inlet.

The sculpture consists of an antique, hand-held, carbon-tetrachloride fire extinguisher, affixed with glass, angel wings and mounted on marble. The art piece is on display in the firemen's living area at the station. It's dedication plaque reads: 'The Community of Baywood Park/Los Osos is forever grateful for the unwavering service and



support of South Bay Fire Station #15.' In the photo, Harmony Brown of Sta. 15 holds the artwork for a photo.





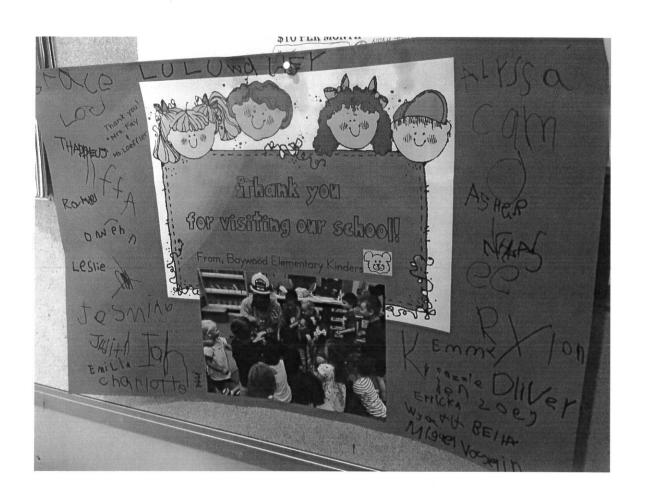
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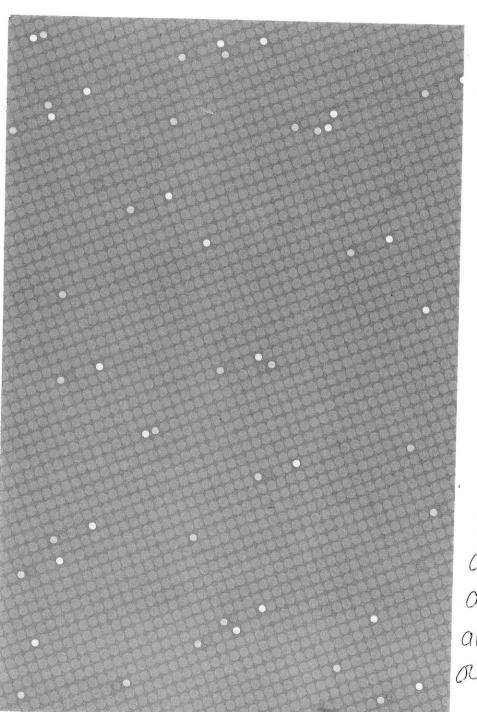
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# YOURS IS DEING AWESOME,

THANKS

Thank you so very much for your help and support on Friday night. You made a very scary situation feel manageable and we don't even have words to express our gratitude.