

Robert Lewin, Fire Chief

August 7, 2014

To:

**Honorable LOCSD Board of Directors** 

From:

Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief

Subject:

Agenda Item 9A – August 7, 2014 Board Meeting District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for June 2014

## **EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

- 1. Station 15 South Bay responded to 111 calls in June with 3 Simultaneous Calls (Back to Back). None of the Simultaneous Calls required Advanced Life Support. Of these 111 incidents, 78 were Medical calls with 45 requiring Advanced Life Support provided by Paramedics; On one of these calls, a CAL FIRE Firefighter rode in to the hospital with SLO Ambulance. Seven incidents were reported as Traffic Collision; Four incidents were reported as Fire, 23 as Public Service Assists, and six as Emergency.
- 2. Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies in the month of June a total of 16 times.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

 As a result of the credit afforded to Station 15 last month by Airgas, Inc., a Cascade oxygen refill system was purchased, received and installed during the month of June. This new system will result in a long term cost savings of Line Item 7234, Oxygen Supplies and Cylinder Rent.

#### **TRAINING**

4. On June 27, Fire Captain – Paramedic Brendan Coalwell provided a Surf Rescue and Lifeguard Training in Avila Beach to 18 Camp Cinder students. Camp Cinder is a CAL FIRE program geared toward females 15-18 years of age, with a mission to introduce young women to the fire service by providing hands on experience in a positive, team building environment, along with encouraging and supporting self-confidence and a can-do work ethic.

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

- 5. During the month of June, Vehicle B3411 (Ford Expedition) was sent to Perry Ford for routine 90,000 mile maintenance. The cost of this maintenance was paid for through Schedule D of the Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department.
- 6. On June 17, members of the Estero Bay Community Response Team including the Los Osos Group attended a CERT Training Drill at the CAL FIRE South Bay Training Center. This training included important safety information for CERT members that can protect them and the public in the event of a utility-related emergency.

### **FIRE PREVENTION**

- 7. From June 2 through June 5, Station 15 South Bay Staff inspected every lot in the District for violations to the fire code. In total, 160 violations were found and notices were sent to the property owners. They were given two weeks to correct the violations.
- 8. On June 17, Station 15 Staff responded to a report of an un-activated water bomb at Baywood Elementary. As part of a science experiment, conducted by the YMCA, teachers and students created and activated approximately 6 devices that consisted of dry ice in a plastic bottle, however one device did not activate. Upon dispatch, Station 15 Staff requested SLO County Sheriff's Department Bomb Squad to assist. The device was inspected, rendered inactive and removed. The Tribune article is attached for further information.
- 9. On June 18, Station 15 Staff responded to a multiple vehicle collision on South Bay Blvd. at Santa Ynez. One driver was found to be intoxicated and the other driver passed away while Firefighters were performing emergency rescue operations. The Tribune article is attached for further information.
- 10. From June 23 through June 24, second inspections were conducted on fire code violations in the District. Of the 160 lots, 41 were still in violation and certified notices were sent to the property owners with two weeks to correct. In addition, Staff located 13 additional lots in the District that were in violation of the fire code. Property owners were given two weeks to correct these violations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Lewin, Unit Chief

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By Phill Veneris, North Coast Battalion Chief

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*FIRES - ALL TYPES	6	4	7	9	10	4							
FALSE ALARMS	2	1	4	4	1	3							
*RESCUE - EMS	72	64	72	61	70	78							
ADV. LIFE SUPPORT	42	34	42	32	27	45							
TRAFFIC COLLISION	5	1	7	4	4	7						-	
*SERVICE ASSISTS	23	14	18	24	24	23					***************************************		
*EMERGENCY	3	3	5	5	5	6							
CODE 2 RESPONSE	10	11	8	12	22	7							
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-MDO	3	2	1	0	0	0							
-MUTUAL AID	0	0	3	2	3	0							
SUBTOTAL: OUT OF DISTRICT	4	3	7	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK	7	4	5	3	7	3							
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK (ALS)	5	4	6	3	6	0							
2014 TOTAL - MONTHLY	104	85	102	99	109	111	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014 CALLS YTD	104	189	291	390	499	610	610	610	610	610	610	610	610
2013 TOTAL - MONTHLY	108	87	108	98	100	122	102	112	115	102	83	113	1250
2012 TOTAL - MONTHLY	95	98	105	100	94	83	105	119	94	118	121	127	1259
2011 TOTAL - MONTHLY	111	72	81	106	97	115	99	91	112	131	89	84	1188
2010 TOTAL - MONTHLY	121	79	93	88	98	86	115	100	103	104	94	96	1177
2009 TOTAL - MONTHLY	84	79	74	126	89	80	86	77	87	148	99	177	1206
2008 TOTAL - MONTHLY	126	123	101	89	110	98	71	105	71	73	77	110	1154
2007 TOTAL - MONTHLY	100	87	90	88	100	60	77	80	94	76	70	95	1017
2006 TOTAL - MONTHLY	112	83	81	88	97	84	94	86	72	93	87	99	1076
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Dear Fire Station, Thank you so Very much you allowing us to visit the firestation and learn more about what you do. The children loved the tour and talked about it days later!

much Thanks!

Caroline Rayburn

# ACCIDENTS IN SLO COU



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY DAVID MIDDLECAME

Crews inspect a car that was involved in a fatal accident Wednesday evening on South Bay Boulevard. Agencies responding included Morro Bay Fire, Cal Fire, San Luis Ambulance, CHP and State Parks.

# 2 killed in separate crashes

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wo people died while driving on county roadways Wednesday.

A 19-year-old man from Los Osos was killed Wednesday evening on South Bay Boulevard when his car was hit head-on by another car driving in the wrong lane, according to the CHP.

The Los Osos driver was in a

A 19-year-old Los Osos driver is hit head-on on South Bay Boulevard and a motorcyclist dies on Highway 1

two-door Chevrolet Cavalier heading south near Turri Road about 5:07 p.m. when a four-door black Dodge Charger driving north in him, CHP Sgt. Don Coats said.

The crash left the Cavalier in a See CRASHES, Back Page

mangled wreck and sent the Charger into a roll. The Charger came to rest upside down when it hit a Ford Ranger pickup that had the southbound lane crashed into been behind the Cavalier. The

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driver of the pickup had pulled to the side of the road to try to avoid the collision ahead, Coats said.

Emergency workers pronounced the Los Osos man dead after extricating him from the vehicle and attempting lifesaving procedures.

The driver of the Charger was able to get out of the

car and was taken to Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center in San Luis Obispo, Coats said. The driver of the Ford Ranger was not injured. None of the cars had any passengers, he said.

The identity of the young Los Osos man was unknown Wednesday night.

South Bay Boulevard was closed between Turri Road and Santa Ysabel Avenue for several hours because of the crash.

In a separate crash, a motorcyclist was killed on Highway 1 near San Geronimo Road in Cayucos at about noon Wednesday.

The motorcyclist rearended a Ford sedan while traveling in the highway's northbound lane, a CHP dispatcher said.

No further information was available Wednesday evening.

David Middlecamp contributed to this story.

# County bomb squad called after YMCA dry ice experiment goes wrong

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A dry ice experiment gone awry at a summer YMCA youth camp in Los Osos led to the San Luis

Obispo County Sheriff's Office Bomb Task Force being called Tuesday.

called by Cal Fire at 5 p.m. Cipolla said. to assist at Baywood Ele-

with what appeared to be a p.m.," he said. "It turned out a plastic bottle. The explofailed dry ice bomb, Sher- to be a sanctioned YMCA sion, caused by expanding The bomb squad was iff's Office spokesman Tony science experiment."

mentary School in Los Osos the device around 7:20 tion of water and dry ice in

"We were able to disarm made by putting a combina-

carbon dioxide in the bottle, Dry ice bombs can be is often quick and thunder-

Cipolla said the legality of a dry ice bomb is a "somewhat gray area."

"Any explosive device

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that is utilized to cause injury or damage is obviously illegal," Cipolla said. "In this case, it's my understanding that the YMCA staff was demonstrating different chemical reactions using dry ice. Two of the devices were successfully set off but a third did not."

YMCA, declined to com- the safety of any camper or

ment on the experiment but staff in danger." said her staff acted appropriately by contacting au- campers were contacted thorities when they felt there might be a safety threat.

"We are aware of an incident that occurred at one of our day camp sessions yesterday. It is currently under investigation by our Y. The safety of our campers and staff are our foremost concern at all times," Grant said Monica Grant, CEO of in a written statement the San Luis Obispo County Wednesday. "At no time was

Grant said parents of the Wednesday to discuss the incident.

"We regret the incident and have taken steps to ensure that there will never be a recurrence of any activity that could potentially put children and staff in harm's way," Grant wrote.

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