



# The SPANNER

A Bi-Monthly Publication for the Friends and Firefighters of the Stayton Fire District

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## From the Chief's Desk

~ Fire Chief Jack Carriger

There is a lot going on around the District and I would like to thank all of those who have been involved in making these projects happen.

Thank you for your commitment to the District and to making us better.

Thanks to everyone that has participated in the training facility facelift. You have done a great job of getting a lot done in a short period of time. This is just the first year of the three-year project but already there is a remarkable difference in the facility. When this plan is complete, our facility and props will be more efficient and allow

much more diverse training opportunities for our firefighters.

Special thanks to Steve Orr for the use of his equipment and his expertise in getting this project going.

The Board of Directors awarded the Exhaust Removal System to Weidner Fire last night at the Board meeting. Weidner came in at \$97,813 which was about \$400 more than the lowest bid, but after evaluating all three systems we felt Weidner's system was the best design to fit our station and the activities we have. We will be meeting with Weidner shortly and finalizing plans and dates to start the installation.

All station information has been provided to the contractor for the

Seismic Grant application and we should be seeing the finished application soon. The application deadline is 9/30/16 and we hope to hear back on the results by the end of the year. This update will be a major project for the District if the grant is awarded, keep your fingers crossed!

Good and not so good news about the rescue tools. The good news is the spreaders and cutters have arrived! The bad news is the rams have not. The rams are back ordered and there is not a delivery date in sight. The Training Division will schedule training on the new tools as time allows and the rams arrive.

## Update on the Training Facility Upgrade

The containers have all been set, a large portion of the tower has been sealed, and the forcible entry door has been primed as well as a lot of general clean up at the facility. This was a largest part of the project to this point but now it is back together and we can continue to train with it as before.

I want to thank all of those who have taken time to help out. It was truly a group effort and I appreciate all the time and effort that you gave. Thanks again and great job! ~ Doug Kintz





# DISTRICT ANNIVERSARIES

## AUGUST

Laura Houston—22 yrs  
Allyson Wren—6 yrs  
Aletha Shine—1 yr

## SEPTEMBER

Kevin Bakke—10 yrs  
Greg Beitel—4 yrs  
Sean Weitman—4 yrs  
Jason Wren—1 yr  
Will Comerford—1 yr

**Congratulations!**  
**49 Years**  
**of Service!**



# News Release from METCOM 911:

## Local Area 911 Agencies Launch Text-to-911 Service

### 911: Call if You Can, Text if You Can't

The Portland Dispatch Center Consortium which includes METCOM 911, announced today that they have begun accepting Text-to-911 messages in response to emergencies. Text-to-911 coverage area includes greater Marion County, the Portland Metro area, the Northern Oregon Coast and the Columbia River Corridor.

Text-to-911 is a new, important service. **It is intended to benefit** people that may not be able to speak due to an emergency such as a home invasion, or abusive partner, as well as individuals that are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech disabilities.

### A few things you should know about how Text-to-911 works currently

- When texting to 911 for an emergency, we will ask you to confirm the location of the

emergency (including city) and the type of emergency help needed (police, fire, or medical).

- Keep text messages brief and concise; using full words.
- Stay with your phone, be prepared to answer questions and follow instructions from the 911 call taker.
- Photos, videos and emoji cannot be sent to 911 as they could corrupt the message.
- You cannot include 911 in a group text message or while roaming.

**Text-to-911 service is not yet available state-wide in Oregon or Washington.** If you send a text to 9-1-1 from a wireless carrier or a city/county without Text-to-911 service, you should receive a message saying that there is no text service to 911 available at this time.

For more details and updates about Text-to-911 go to [www.metcom911.com](http://www.metcom911.com)

**Remember: Texting should only be used when you are unable to make a voice call to 911**

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# Emergency Supply List



FEMA

www.ready.gov

**Disasters, whether natural or man-made, can occur anywhere. Local officials and relief workers will respond but may not be able to reach everyone right away.**

**The best way to make you and your family safer is to be prepared before disaster strikes.**

**We encourage you to**

**Get a kit \* Make a Plan \* Be Informed**

**Emergency Supply Lists available at Fire Station.**







# RECENT CALLS FOR SERVICE...



MVA, West Stayton Rd,  
September 12

THANK YOU  
to all our  
emergency  
responders:  
police officers,  
firefighters,  
EMT's, 911  
dispatchers,  
and search  
and rescue  
volunteers.

Our First  
Responders  
are there  
24/7/365 days  
a year—we  
are so grateful  
for all you do!

## DISTRICT BIRTHDAYS

### AUGUST

- 2—Robert Clark
- 5—Tanya McFadden
- 9—Samantha Houston
- 10- Damon Button
- 13—Trent Tegen
- 21—Scott Vigil
- 25—Steve Orr

### SEPTEMBER

- 1—Josh Pearce
- 2—Jack Carriger
- 6—Regina Holley
- 18 -Brian Hendricks
- 22—Gary Chrisman
- 22—Matt Riordan
- 28—Byron Brown

### OCTOBER

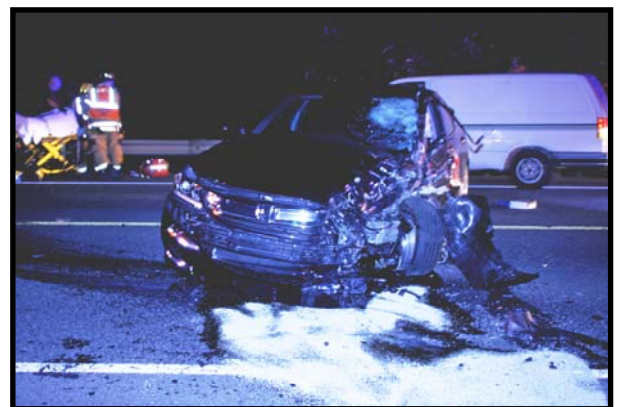
- 2—Laura Houston
- 12—Jason Wren
- 15—Kelly Oliver
- 19—Sherry Bensema
- 30—Doug Ahlberg



Happy  
Birthday!



MVA  
Hwy 22 on  
Friday  
Sept 16  
near  
Mehama.





### *Upcoming Events...*

- Oct 19-21 OFSOA Conference in Ashland
- Oct 27-29 Oregon Fire Service Conference in Bend
- Oct 31 Halloween Safety Open House Stayton Station
- Mar 4 Save the Date - Awards Banquet

Watch your email or check the website calendar for activity and event notifications  
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### *\*Congratulations Corner\**



*Congratulations to George & Lucretia Crosiar as they welcome their new grandson Rylan Allan Crosiar, who arrived August 29, 2016 at 8:10 am, weighing 8 lbs, 8 oz.*

**Safety Tip: Make a new rule for yourself...** If you're by yourself in the car, silence your cell phone and put it away until you get where you're going.



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*Safety  
is for  
Life*

Training schedule, burn information and links to events can be found at [www.staytonfire.org](http://www.staytonfire.org)