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*Robert Lewin, Fire Chief*

**August 6, 2015**

**To: Honorable LOCSB Board of Directors**

**From: Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief**

**Subject: Agenda Item 9A – August 6, 2015 Board Meeting  
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for June 2015**

**EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 84 calls in June with 1 Simultaneous Call (Back to Back) and it required Advanced Life Support (1st: 0, 2nd: 1). Of these 84 incidents, 63 were Medical calls with 28 requiring Advanced Life Support provided by Paramedics; A CAL FIRE Firefighter did not ride in to the hospital with SLO Ambulance during the month of June. One call required Staging; Two incidents were reported as Traffic Collision; Six incidents were reported as Fire, 15 as Public Service Assists, and zero as Other Emergency.
2. Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies in the month of June a total of two times.

**ADMINISTRATION**

3. In early-June, the last remaining Station 15 – South Bay Reserve Firefighter recruit, Virgil Messer, completed his formal training, sign off task sheets and 24 hour shadow shifts. Six Reserve Firefighters were sworn into service by President Wright at the June LOCSB BOD Meeting.

**TRAINING**

4. On June 10, 2015, Battalion Chief Veneris hosted a tour of the Irish Hills and area surrounding Los Osos. The tour was open to emergency managers, firefighters and stakeholders from throughout SLO County and had about 30 attendees. The goal of the tour was to show potential emergency response personnel access points, safety zones, logistical supply routes, critical infrastructure and wild fire perimeter control points around Los Osos. Battalion Chief Veneris facilitated discussions along the tour to highlight fire weather, fuels and topography in addition to general steps that could be taken to control a wildfire in the area around Los Osos.

## **TRAINING**

5. On June 18, 2015, the ZOLL X-Series Automatic External Defibrillator's underwent their annual maintenance checks, conducted by ZOLL Medical Corp. personnel. All AED units passed inspection.
6. On June 26, 2015 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/SLO County Fire Department 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**

7. On June 4, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay Staff, along with LOCSD BOD President Mike Wright, attended the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics “STEAM” Art Presentation at Los Osos Middle School (LOMS). This event recognized several students who participated in creating and painting two 4x8 sign boards that are on display on South Bay Blvd, north of Santa Ysabel, and on Los Osos Valley Road, west of Lariat Drive. This project was made possible by the San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council, in cooperation with Station 15 – South Bay Fire, LOCSD and LOMS. (See attached Press Release, dated June 17, 2015, and various news articles).
8. On June 6, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay Staff attended and supported participants in the Tough Two Race held at Los Osos Middle School and were available on-site for potential medical aids. Tough Two is a 2-mile obstacle course traversed by teams of 4 people who were tested in their physical strength and mental grit.
9. On June 9, 2015, about 25 CAL FIRE Firefighters, including Station 15 – South Bay Fire Captain – Paramedic Tim Wilcox and Fire Apparatus Engineer – Paramedic Seth Neuschwander, participated in an Urban Search & Rescue Training, focusing on surf and cliff rescues. (See attached KSBY interview transcript with Captain Wilcox).
10. On June 11, 2015, CAL FIRE Forester II Alan Peters and Battalion Chief Veneris attended a meeting at the SLU County South Bay Training Center attended by the General Manager and LOCSD BOD Member Cesena in addition to staff from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, California Fish and Wildlife, and San Luis Obispo County Planning Department and its consultant regarding the Los Osos Habitat Conservation Plan. The goal of the meeting was to discuss opportunities to include the Los Osos Community Wildfire Protection Plan into the Habit Conservation Plan being prepared by the County.
11. On June 24, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay began advertising for their upcoming CPR/AED Class that will be held on Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at the South Bay Community Center from 2:00-6:30 p.m. This class is largely funded by the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company grant award (more information to follow). Assisting with this course, the South Bay Community Center donated their facility and Central Coast CPR provided a 33% discount per student. These collective discounts have made it possible for Station 15 – South Bay to offer the course at a rate of \$10/per person (due at time of registration) to 24 prospective students. This class is open to the public. (See attached Press Release, dated June 24, 2015).

## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

12. On June 26, 2015, DeWitt Stern Group and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company (FFIC) hosted a Presentation Ceremony recognizing the \$10,190 grant awarded to Station 15 – South Bay. The money was used to buy 57 carbon monoxide/smoke detectors with 10-year battery, two 4500 lb. Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus', two full sets of Structural Firefighting Gear and funded a CPR/AED Course to be held at the South Bay Community Center on Sunday, August 2nd. CAL FIRE Unit Chief Rob Lewin, BOD Member's Michael Wright and Chuck Cesena, along with General Manager Kathy Kivley were in attendance. Additionally, Tolosa Press/Bay News also attended the Ceremony. (See attached FFIC News Release)
13. On June 30, 2015, Medic Rescue 15 was sent to Smitty's Auto Center (Los Osos) for replacement of the Exhaust System and Shock Absorber. Medic Engine 215 was used as a cover engine until Medic Rescue 15 was returned that same afternoon. This repair was paid for through the Cooperative Agreement by SLO County Fire Department.

## **FIRE PREVENTION**

14. From June 1 through June 4, 2015 Station 15 – South Bay Staff and CAL FIRE Cuesta Camp Fire Crews, in cooperation with LOCSD and California Dept. of Parks and Recreation, provided Hazard Abatement clean-up on LOCSD and State property behind several mobile home parks along Los Osos Valley Road. CAL FIRE Fire Crews removed and chipped dead and down material as well as non-native vegetation. This project will provide defensible space between the vegetation and the mobile homes in Daisy Hill, as well as in the Sea Oaks and Sunny Oaks Mobile Home Parks.
15. From June 1 through June 4, 2015 Station 15 – South Bay Staff and Reserve Firefighters inspected every lot in the District for violations to the fire code. In total, 288 violations were found and notices were sent to the property owners. They were given two weeks to correct the violations.
16. On June 4, 2015, Station 15 – South Bay hosted two tours of approximately 50 children total from Monarch Grove Elementary. Firefighters provided a tour of the Firehouse, Medic Engine 15, Medic Rescue 15, an overview of Firefighting gear along with basic fire safety tips.
17. On June 25, 2015, second inspections were conducted on fire code violations in the District. Of the 288 lots, 74 were still in violation and certified notices were sent to the property owners with two weeks to correct. The remaining 74 total violations consisted of 41 violations for missing/unclear addressing and 33 violations for a hazard abatement issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Lewin, Unit Chief  
**CAL FIRE** / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department



By Phill Veneris, North Coast Battalion Chief  
**CAL FIRE** / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department

**CAL FIRE STATION 15 - SOUTH BAY**

**2015 ANNUAL ACTIVITY LOG**

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>MAR</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>SEPT</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
*FIRES - ALL TYPES	5	5	9	5	6	6							36
FALSE ALARMS	0	3	6	7	8	4							28
*RESCUE - EMS	100	67	66	62	71	63							429
ADV. LIFE SUPPORT	48	25	34	27	36	28							198
TRAFFIC COLLISION	3	6	2	0	3	2							16
*SERVICE ASSISTS	27	21	20	8	18	15							109
*EMERGENCY	3	9	3	6	4	0							25
CODE 2 RESPONSE	10	8	10	3	7	5							43
-ZONE I	5	1	1	2	2	0							11
-MDO	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
-MUTUAL AID	5	1	1	0	0	0							25
SUBTOTAL: OUT OF DISTRICT	10	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK	4	3	2	1	1	0							11
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK (ALS)	6	1	2	0	1	1							11
<b>2015 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>599</b>

<b>2015 CALLS YTD</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>599</b>
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<b>2014 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>1252</b>
<b>2013 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	108	87	108	98	100	122	102	112	115	102	83	113	1250
<b>2012 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	95	98	105	100	94	83	105	119	94	118	121	127	1259
<b>2011 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	111	72	81	106	97	115	99	91	112	131	89	84	1188
<b>2010 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	121	79	93	88	98	86	115	100	103	104	94	96	1177
<b>2009 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	84	79	74	126	89	80	86	77	87	148	99	177	1206
<b>2008 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	126	123	101	89	110	98	71	105	71	73	77	110	1154
<b>2007 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	100	87	90	88	100	60	77	80	94	76	70	95	1017
<b>2006 TOTAL - MONTHLY</b>	112	83	81	88	97	84	94	86	72	93	87	99	1076

# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

## California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



### SAN LUIS OBISPO UNIT SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FIRE



**CONTACT: Phill Veneris, Battalion Chief  
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**RELEASE DATE: June 17, 2015**

### LOS OSOS MIDDLE SCHOOL ART STUDENTS PROMOTES FIRE SAFETY IN LOS OSOS

The San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council (SLO FSC), in cooperation with *CAL FIRE* Station 15 - South Bay Fire, Los Osos Community Services District and Los Osos Middle School (LOMS) are proud to announce two new fire safety sign boards; One board can be seen traveling northbound on South Bay Boulevard just north of Santa Ysabel Avenue and the other board is displayed on Los Osos Valley Road, west of Lariat Drive for eastbound traffic.

The first sign board (Note: black background) was the hard work of (not pictured) Kayla Burkman, Chase Jerdin, Jeremy Michel and Sophia Theis, who are students at Los Osos Middle School, and states **"Don't Let Your Future Go Up In Smoke. Follow Fire Safety."**

The second sign board (Note: white background) was the hard work of (pictured) Lily Siegel, Emma Sharpe (not pictured) Abigail Davis, Doug Powell and Allyson Zatt, who are also students at Los Osos Middle School, and states **"Fire Catches, Don't Play with Matches!"**

These nine students were declared the winner of an art contest conducted by LOMS STEAM Art & Design Teacher, Raquel Meinke (pictured), funded by the San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council, Pacific Gas and Electric and overseen by *CAL FIRE* Station 15 – South Bay (pictured). As the winner, *CAL FIRE* Station 15 – South Bay Fire presented the class with a donut party.

The completion of the 4ft-by-8ft sign boards took the classmates and Art Teacher a total of 4 weeks. The San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council and *CAL FIRE* Station 15 – South Bay says thank you to the Los Osos Middle School students of Ms. Meinke's Art Class for their participation in this fun and effective way to spread the word about fire safety. The Los Osos Board of Directors (President, Mike Wright: pictured) recognized Ms. Meinke and the art students at the June 4, 2015 LOMS STEAM Expo, held at the school. According to the most recent data from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Trauma Intervention (updated February 2014):

- 450,000 burn injuries require medical attention annually.
- 40,000 hospitalizations related to burn injury.
- 3,400 fire/burn/smoke inhalation deaths per year

On average, only 60% of Americans have an escape plan, and of those, only 25% have practiced it (NFPA, 1999), but having effective smoke alarms cut your chances of dying in a fire in half (NFPA, 1999). Remember to keep burns under cool water for at least 3-5 minutes and dial 911 for serious injuries; never use butter, lotion or ice on a burn ([www.aarbf.org](http://www.aarbf.org)).

If you have any questions, please contact *CAL FIRE* Station 15 - South Bay Fire Department at (805) 528-1053 or Dan Turner at the San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council (805) 458-3513 or [www.fscslo.org](http://www.fscslo.org).

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# Los Osos Middle School students create fire safety signs, win competition

By Kathrene Herndon **CONNECT**

Driver's in Los Osos may notice some new signs in the town promoting fire safety.

The signs were designed by students in Raquel Meinke's art class at Los Osos Middle School. They took four weeks to complete.

They read, "Don't Let Your Future Go Up In Smoke. Follow Fire Safety," and "Fire Catches, Don't Play with Matches!" They are located northbound on South Bay Boulevard, just north of Santa Ysabel Avenue, and also on Los Osos Valley Road, west of Lariat Drive.

The nine students who designed the signs won an art contest overseen by CAL FIRE Station 15 - South Bay and funded by the San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council and PG&E.

The winning students got to enjoy a donut party presented by the CAL FIRE station.

Officials say on average, only 60 percent of Americans have an escape plan with only 25 percent of those having practiced it.



## Fire Safe Art Winners

A pair of Los Osos Middle Schoolers recently won a contest to design new fire safety billboards in Los Osos. The San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council, Cal Fire Sta. 15 in Los Osos, the Los Osos Community Services District and Los Osos Middle School co-sponsored the contest for two new fire safety signs – one on South Bay Boulevard near Santa Ysabel Avenue and the other on LOVR coming into town from SLO.

The first 4-foot by 8-foot signboard – with a black background – was the hard work of LOMS students, Kayla Burkman, Chase Jerdin, Jeremy Michel and Sophia Theis. It says, “Don’t Let Your Future Go Up



In Smoke. Follow Fire Safety.”

The other sign, with a white background, says, “Fire Catches, Don’t Play with Matches!” and was the product of students, Emma Sharpe, Lily Siegel, Abigail Davis, Doug Powell and Allyson Zatt. The art contest was conducted by art and design teacher, Raquel Meinke, with donations from the SLO Fire Safe Council and Pacific Gas & Electric. Firefighters treated the winning students to a donut party. In the photos are school officials, the CSD board president, local firefighters and some of the student artists. Submitted photos.



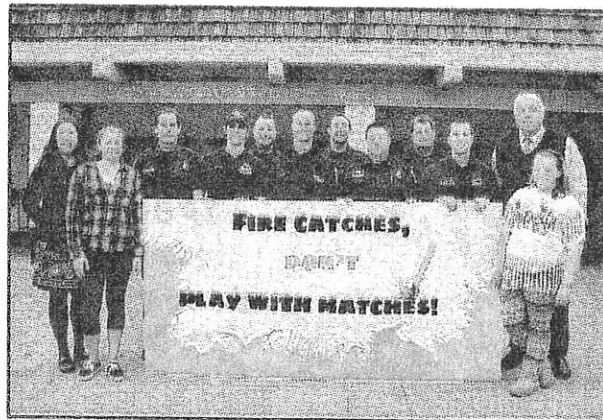
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COURTESY PHOTO

Two new fire safety signs created by Los Osos Middle School art students are now being displayed north of Santa Ysabel Avenue on South Bay Boulevard and eastbound on Los Osos Valley Road west of Lariat Drive in Los Osos.

### Los Osos

The San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council – in cooperation with Cal Fire Station 15, South Bay, Los Osos Community Services District and Los Osos Middle School – recently announced the placement of two new fire safety signs in Los Osos made by art students at Los Osos Middle School.

The students were winners of an art contest con-

ducted by art teacher Raquel Meinke. The contest was funded by the SLO County Fire Safe Council and PG&E, and was overseen by Cal Fire Station 15.

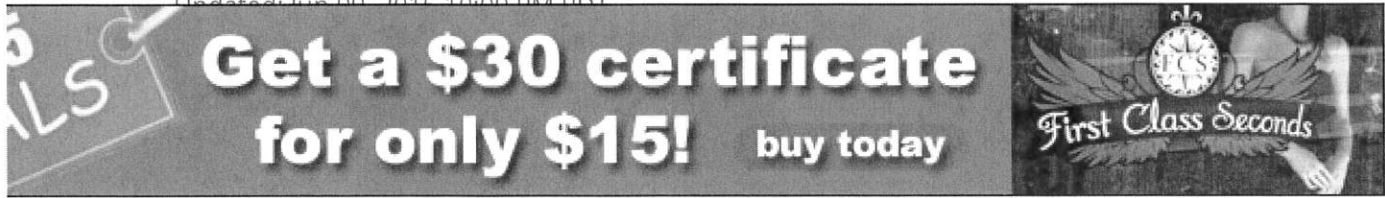
Kayla Burkman, Chase Jerdin, Jeremy Michel and Sophia Theis created the sign that reads, "Don't Let Your Future Go Up In Smoke — Follow Fire Safety." Lily Siegel, Emma Sharpe, Abigail Davis, Doug Powell and Allyson Zatt created the sign that reads, "Fire Catches, Don't Play with Matches!"





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The summer season is fast approaching and lots of people will be hitting the water.

Cal Fire San Luis Obispo Urban Search & Rescue prepare for more rescue calls and increased risk of drowning Tuesday morning with surf and cliff rescue training.

Under the cloudy sky, the rain did not stop rescue teams from going into the water on Shell Beach.

About 25 firefighters from different parts of the Central Coast took part in Tuesday's training.

"Particular hazards that exists, rip currents, tides," says Fire Captain Tim Wilcox. "An unexpected large wave, they happen frequently, no one is really mindful of that."

Although the rescue on Tuesday was solely for training, every other time it can be a matter of life or death.

"Everything from the everyday beach goer, to the kayaker, to the paddle boarder," says Captain Wilcox.

On the San Luis Obispo County coastline, Cal Fire Urban Search & Rescue does more rescues in the water than on land. In 2014, Cal Fire reports they had 50 rescues, that is almost one rescue per week. Thirty of those rescues were in the Pismo Beach area.

"You can get swept in by a large wave, the current will actually take you out to sea," says Captain Wilcox. "So if nothing else, if you have no training, one of the things you must remember is you must swim parallel to shore to get out of the current."

Captain Wilcox says to be mindful of climbing the terrain on the cliffs as well. You people will often look away from the ocean and fall, and down climbing can lead to a death fall. There were 20 cliff rescues in 2014 alone.

"If you are near the waters edge, be prepared, have a wetsuit in these conditions," says Captain Wilcox. "If you are stand up paddle boarding or canoeing, have the safety equipment that you need, have your cell phone in a waterproof case."

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RELEASE DATE: June 24, 2015

#### CPR/AED ONE-DAY TRAINING COURSE TO BE HELD IN LOS OSOS

CAL FIRE/Station 15 – South Bay, in partnership with DeWitt Stern, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, Central Coast CPR, the South Bay Community Center and the Los Osos Community Services District, will host a one-day CPR/AED course on **Sunday, August 2, 2015** from **2:00 pm-6:30 pm** at the **South Bay Community Center (2180 Palisades Avenue, Los Osos)** for a nominal fee (\$10 or less). This course is being offered at a reduced rate, in part, through a grant awarded to CAL FIRE/Station 15 – South Bay by Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. Central Coast CPR also provided a 33% discount per student and the South Bay Community Center has waived their facility fee.

Participating students must be at least 16 years of age. In addition, students are not guaranteed CPR certification; Based on skill level, the instructor will issue either a CPR Certificate or a Certificate of Course Completion. Interested parties may sign-up at CAL FIRE/Station 15 – South Bay or by phone, during normal business hours, at (805) 528-1053. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis and space is limited.

Funded by Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, the grant is part of a nationwide philanthropic program. Founded in 1863 with a social mission to support the fire service, Fireman's Fund has awarded grants to fire service organizations for life-saving equipment, firefighter training and community education programs. Since 2004, Fireman's Fund has awarded grants to more than 2,100 different organizations totaling more than \$31 million -- including more than \$9.3 million in California. Independent insurance agencies and brokers that sell Fireman's Fund products, like DeWitt Stern, are able to direct these grants to support the fire service. Through this program, DeWitt Stern has directed over \$833,000 in grants to fire departments nationwide.

To learn more about the grant program and other grants awarded in California, visit [firemansfund.com/heritage](http://firemansfund.com/heritage). To learn more about the rich history of Fireman's Fund, visit [firemansfundtimeline.com](http://firemansfundtimeline.com).

#### WHY LEARN CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR)?

Anyone can learn Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) – and everyone should! Sadly, 70 percent of Americans may feel helpless to act during a cardiac emergency because they either do not know how to administer CPR or their training has significantly lapsed. Put very simply: The life you save with CPR is mostly likely to be someone you love.

Cardiac arrests are more common than you think, and they can happen to anyone at any time. Nearly 383,000 out-of-hospital sudden cardiac arrests occur annually, and 88 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home. Many victims appear healthy with no known heart disease or other risk factors.

#### **WHY LEARN AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)?**

AED's are more commonly available in public places and are a valuable life-saving tool, however they are designed to be used only by trained persons. An AED will administer a shock for two types of abnormal heart rhythms: ventricular tachycardia and ventricular fibrillation. These are fatal arrhythmias. While they have a high likelihood of being corrected by an AED, they also may recur, which is why it's important to leave an AED on (while continuing to administer CPR) until emergency services arrive.

#### **ABOUT DEWITT STERN INSURANCE**

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#### **ABOUT FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY**

As a premier property and casualty insurance company, Fireman's Fund has protected the future for its customers for more than 150 years. With a commitment to supporting firefighters for safer communities, Fireman's Fund has donated more than \$31 million in grants to local fire departments across the United States. Fireman's Fund is a member of the Allianz Group — one of the world's largest insurance providers — and has a strong financial foundation.

#### **ABOUT CENTRAL COAST CPR**

Central Coast CPR is a San Luis Obispo County based training company specializing in Healthcare Provider (HCP) BLS CPR, Heartsaver (Community) CPR, First Aid, and Childcare Provider required education. Visit them at [www.centralcoastcpr.com](http://www.centralcoastcpr.com).

#### **ABOUT SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY CENTER (SBCC)**

Built by the citizens of Los Osos, the SBCC is a non-profit, 501(c)3. A volunteer Board of Directors oversees the operation of the center. The funds to operate it come entirely from rentals, fundraisers, and private donations. It is located in the heart of Los Osos, above the Back Bay and adjacent to the Los Osos Community Park. You can obtain more information at <http://www.southbaycommunitycenter.com/>.

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## News Release

### **South Bay Fire Department Receives Grant**

*\$10,190 Donation Funds Fire Safety Tools and Community Education*

LOS OSOS, CA (June 26, 2015) – DeWitt Stern is partnering with Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company to award the South Bay Fire Department a \$10,190 donation. Specifically, the funds will be used to purchase SCBA bottles, combination CO2/smoke detectors and two full sets of firefighter personal protective equipment. The grant will also fund a CPR/AED course for local residents.

“This grant fills a critical void and provides us with equipment that enhances firefighter safety,” said Fire Chief Robert Lewin. “It also allows our fire department to offer programs targeted for our residents, which enables us to better serve the community. We really appreciate this generous donation.”

South Bay Fire Department officials, firefighters and executives from DeWitt Stern and Fireman’s Fund will come together for a special public event where the grant will be presented:

**Date / Time**

**Friday, June 26, 2015  
11:00 a.m.**

**Location**

**South Bay Fire Department  
2315 Bayview Heights Drive  
Los Osos, CA**

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Through this program, DeWitt Stern has directed over \$833,000 in grants to fire departments nationwide.

“Firefighters put themselves in harm’s way every day to serve others and deserve to have the best equipment available,” said John Hamby, managing director of Dewitt Stern. “We are honored to support the South Bay Fire Department with this grant.”

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As a premier property and casualty insurance company, Fireman's Fund has protected the future for its customers for more than 150 years. With a commitment to supporting firefighters for safer communities, Fireman's Fund has donated more than \$31 million in grants to local fire departments across the United States. Fireman's Fund is a member of the Allianz Group — one of the world's largest insurance providers — and has a strong financial foundation.

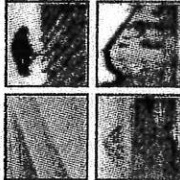
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015

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## GoodNews!

### Los Osos

**The DeWitt Stern Group, in partnership with the Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., recently donated \$10,190 to the South Bay Fire Department.**

The funds will be used for fire safety equipment and community education that will include CPR/AED courses for local residents.

"This grant fills a critical void and provides us with equipment that enhances firefighter safety," said fire Chief Robert Lewin. "It also allows our fire department to offer programs targeted for our residents, which enables us to better serve the community."

SO MUCH ,

Awesome chipping crew!

Thank you for fitting us in  
and for being the best  
Fire Dept.!



THANK YOU,

WE CALLED 911 LAST  
SATURDAY (6-20-15)  
BECAUSE OUR DAUGHTER  
WAS HAVING A SEVERE  
PAIN ATTACK.

YOUR RAPID RESPONSE  
& ASSESSMENT THAT  
SHE WAS NOT HAVING  
A HEART ATTACK WAS  
VERY APPRECIATED

Thank you,

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Cleveland

PS. [REDACTED] WILL  
BE HAVING HER  
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