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MEMORANDUM

To: CSFCA Members
From: Paul L. Cooke, Executive Director
Subject: CSFCA Member Update
Date: February 28, 2010 / Rev. March 1, 2010

Following is a general update on issues of interest to the members of the Colorado State Fire Chiefs Association. **Please note highlighted additions to February 28th memo.**

1st Annual Colorado Public Safety Week

I am pleased to announce the 1st Annual Colorado Public Safety Week which will be held August 1-7, 2010. In collaboration with the CSFCA, Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police, County Sheriffs Association of Colorado, and the Colorado State Patrol, we are encouraging all public safety agencies in Colorado to participate in this safety week.

Our Safety Focus for 2010 is Highway Traffic Safety for Emergency Responders. We are all aware that highway accidents are the Number 1 cause of Law Enforcement Fatalities every year and one of the leading causes of Firefighter Fatalities.

This being said, we are asking all public safety agencies to dedicate at least one day during this week to focus on highway traffic safety. This could include reviewing your SOP's, holding classroom training sessions and working with other agencies you routinely respond with to develop and/or exercise traffic safety policies and plans.

A second component of this week centers on public education/awareness. We recommend time also be set aside during this week to educate the public on traffic hazards, how to approach and safely pass parked emergency vehicles, why fire apparatus block the highway when working traffic crashes, etc.

To our knowledge, Colorado is the first state in the nation to conduct this type of inclusive public safety week. Let's all be a part of history and take a proactive approach to vehicle driving and road safety to ensure "Everyone Goes Home Safe".

Additional information concerning the 1st Annual Colorado Public Safety Week, including Highway Traffic Safety resources, will be posted on the website and distributed to CSFCA members.

"Serving the Chief Fire Officers of Colorado Since 1968"

Thank you for your on-going commitment to Firefighter Safety!

Respectfully,

Chris Riley, MS, CFO, MIFireE
Fire Chief, City of Pueblo FD
President, Colorado State Fire Chiefs Association

Status Report on Legislation of Interest to the CSFCA [Updated]

The Status Report on Legislation of Interest to the Colorado State Fire Chiefs' Association in the 2010 Colorado General Assembly, as of March 1, 2010 has been posted to the CSFCA Legislative Page at: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/legislative.htm>. CSFCA members are encouraged to routinely check this page for updates.

2010 CSFCA Wage and Benefit Survey

For the ninth year, Mountain States Employers Council, Inc. (MSEC) has been requested by the Colorado State Fire Chief's Association (CSFCA) to act as a third party data collector to conduct a salary and benefits survey for fire protection agencies throughout Colorado. The questionnaire has been mailed to all career and combination fire departments in the state and is available for download from at: <http://members.msec.org/surveys/questionnaires/Downloads/Forms/AllItems.aspx>.

The CSFCA Board of Directors encourages your participation in the 2010 survey. The more departments we get to participate – the greater the value of the information to users (and it reduces the cost of the published report). The deadline for completion of the survey has been extended until Friday, March 5, 2010.

Colorado Rockies Color Guard Opportunities [New]

The Colorado Rockies are starting to book the Color Guards for the upcoming season. If your Color Guard is interested in presenting the colors at any of the games, please contact:

Beverly Coleman
Assistant Promotions, Special Events & Broadcasting
Colorado Rockies Baseball Club
2001 Blake Street
Denver, CO 80205
Tel: 303 312-2245
Email: colemanb@coloradorockies.com

CSFCA Establishes LinkedIn Group to Enhance Member Interaction

In our continuing effort to improve communications with our members, and to facilitate communications between members, the CSFCA has established a LinkedIn Group. Consider joining the CSFCA LinkedIn Group at: <http://www.linkedin.com/e/vgh/2667807/>. For more information, go to: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/news11.htm>.

Request for Information: Fleet Maintenance Management Database System

The Pagosa Fire Protection District is considering the purchase of a Fleet Maintenance Management database system. Chief Ron Thompson is requesting information from other departments who are using one they like, or ones to stay away from. Please respond directly to:

Ron Thompson, EFO, Fire Chief
Pagosa Fire Protection District
Tel: 970-731-4191
Email: ronthompson@pagosafire.com

Upcoming Meetings [Updated]

March 5, 2010 – 9:30 AM
CSFCA General Membership Meeting; West Metro Fire Rescue Training Facility
For more information: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/meetings.htm>

March 13, 2010; 9:00 AM
CSFCA Volunteer Chief Officers Section Meeting; Mancos Fire Station, Mancos
For more information: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/sectionsdivisions-vol.htm#Meeting>

March 26, 2010 – 7:00 AM Breakfast / 7:30 AM Meeting
Denver Metro Fire Chiefs Association Meeting; Lakewood, CO
For more information: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/denvermetro.htm>

March 29, 2010 – 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM [New]
CSFCA Accreditation Consortium Meeting; Pueblo, CO
For more information:
http://www.colofirechiefs.org/events/2010/CSFCA_Accreditation_Consortium.pdf

April 16, 2010 – 0930 AM
CSFCA Combination Chiefs Section Meeting; Larkspur FPD
For more information: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/combo.htm>

Upcoming Events [Updated]

The following upcoming events are posted on the CSFCA Training & Conference Page at:
<http://www.colofirechiefs.org/trainingconf.htm>.

March 6 - 7, 2010

Introduction to National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS); Fort Collins, CO

March 11, 2010

Castle West Presentation - Colorado Springs Fire; North Metro Fire Rescue

March 19, 2010 [New]

Castle West Presentation - Colorado Springs Fire; Pueblo, CO

IAFC Firefighter Rehabilitation and Medical Monitoring Workshops

March 23, 2010; 9:00AM - 12:00PM; Englewood Safety Services Complex

March 23, 2010; 6:00PM - 9:00PM; Pikes Peak Community College

March 24, 2010; 9:00AM - 12:00PM; North Metro Fire Rescue

March 25, 2010; 9:00AM - 12:00PM; Summit Fire Authority

April 21 - 23, 2010

Fire & Life Safety Educators Conference of the Rockies; Estes Park, CO

Apr 24, 2010

"YOU AND ISO" - What Every Fire Department Should Know and Understand About ISO in Your Community, Sponsored by VCOS & ISO; Evergreen, CO

May 4 - 5, 2010

High Rise Firefighting Tactics & Operations Course; Black Hawk, CO

May 7 - 9, 2010

PSDS - Swiftwater Rapid Response Tech 1 Course; Grand Junction, CO

May 21 - 25, 2010

PSDS - Swiftwater Rapid Response Tech. I; Burning Mountains Fire Protection District; Silt, CO

May 22, 2010; 9:00 AM or 1:00 PM

Making the Pieces Fit through Cooperative Service; Fort Lupton, CO

May 22, 2010; 9:00 AM or 1:00 PM

Deployment, Master Planning, and Standards of Cover; Fort Lupton, CO

June 7 - 13, 2010

Colorado Wildland Fire & Incident Management Academy; Cañon City, CO

July 7 - 8, 2010

2010 Missouri Valley Fire Chiefs Conference; Colorado Springs, CO

See additional events on the Fire Service Event Calendar at:

<http://www.colofirechiefs.org/calendar.htm>.

Job Announcements

The following positions are currently posted on the CSFCA Classified Ads – Job Announcements page at: <http://www.colofirechiefs.org/classifieds.htm>.

Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue – Firefighter and EMS Provider Recruit Program [New]

Fort Lupton Fire Protection District – Out of District Volunteer Firefighter [New]

City of Lamar Fire Department – Fire Engineer/EMT-I

Copper Mountain Consolidated Metropolitan District – Fire Paramedic

Cortez Fire Protection District – Fire Chief

Sable Altura Fire Protection District – Career Hiring Eligibility List

Elbert County Government – Communications Manager

Ute Mountain Fire/EMS – Firefighter/Paramedic

Park County, Colorado – Director of Emergency Management

Platteville/Gilcrest Fire Protection District – Reserve Firefighter

Apparatus/Equipment for Sale

The following Apparatus/Equipment for Sale is currently posted on the CSFCA Classified Ads page at:

<http://www.colofirechiefs.org/classifieds3.htm>.

Skid Unit – Lower Valley Fire District

1989 GMC 3500 Brush Truck – Greater Brighton Fire Protection District

1982/1992 Type III Wheeled Coach Ambulance – Bennett Fire Protection District

1984 Pierce Suburban Pumper – Boulder Rural Fire Protection District

1996 Chevy Rescue Truck – Southeast Weld Fire Protection District

2004 Ford 550 Light Rescue (Squad) – Elizabeth Fire Protection District

To post a job announcement, apparatus or equipment to be donated or sold, or upcoming events, please send the details to me at: paul@colofirechiefs.org.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this memo.

Be safe!

Paul