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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETIREMENTS

Name: MCDONELL, Timothy, Captain II
Fire Station 73 "A"
Place: Sterling Hills Golf Club
901 Sterling Hills Dr. Camarillo CA
Date & Time: Thursday, July 31, 2008 ("C" Shift on duty)
Golf: 3 p.m.
Social Hour: 6 p.m. – Dinner: 7 p.m.
Food & Price: Buffet \$45.00
Golf: Shotgun start (9) Holes \$35.00
Reservations: Fire Station 73 Grapevine (818) 996-7543
ALL ARE WELCOME
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Name: DE LA VARA, Gilbert, Fire Inspector I
FPB - Central Industrial Unit
Place: Kyoto Grand (New Otani) Hotel
120 S. Los Angeles Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Date & Time: Friday, August 15, 2008
("B" Shift on duty)
Lunch 11:30 a.m.
RSVP by August 1, 2008
Food & Price: Choice of Steak or Chicken
\$45 includes tax, tip & gift
Reservations: Mina Paredes (213) 978-3638 or
Central Industrial Unit (213) 978-3630
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Name: SIMIEN, August Jr. (A.J.), Captain I
Place: Hansen Dam Recreation Area (Gabreieleno Park)
11770 Foothill Blvd
Lake Terrace, CA 91344
Date & Time: Saturday, August 16, 2008 ("C" Shift on duty)
Horseback rides at 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
Bar-B-Q at 1:00 p.m.
Food & Price: Bar-B-Q, steak, chicken, salad, sides, and desert
\$40.00 for Adults, \$20.00 for kids (Free for children 5 and under) Horseback riding: \$20.00 per rider. Horse owners may bring their own horse.
Attire: Western theme, prizes for multiple best-dressed categories
Reservations: Fire Station 41 (213) 485-6241
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Name: HILZER, Paul, Apparatus Operator
Fire Station 85, "C" Platoon
Place: The Ports O' Call Restaurant
1050 Nagoya Way, Berth 76
San Pedro, California

Date & Time: Thursday, August 21, 2008 ("A" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour - 6:00 p.m. Dinner - 7:00 p.m.
RSVP by August 11, 2008
Food & Price: Dinner Buffet
\$50.00 includes tax, tip & gift
Reservations: Fire Station 85 (310) 539-0969
e-mail: hilzersretirement@hotmail.com
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Name: TREJO, George, Captain
Fire Station 4
Place: Taix Restaurant
1911 W. Sunset Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90026
Date & Time: Wednesday, August 13, 2008
Social Hour: 6pm – Dinner: 7pm
Food & Price: Roasted Beef & Roasted Chicken
\$45 Includes tax, tip & gift
Reservations: Fire Station 4 (213) 972-9045
ALL ARE WELCOME
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Name: METZ, Larry, Staff Assistant
Battalion 6, "A" Platoon
Place: Ports O'call Restaurant
Berth 76, Port of Los Angeles
San Pedro, CA 90731
Date & Time: Wednesday, August 20, 2008 ("B" Platoon on Duty)
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.
Food & Price: Fire house Buffet
\$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift
Reservations: FS 49 – (310) 510-8900 or Battalion 6 Office
(310) 548-7539
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Name: ANGULO, Al, Captain I
Fire Station 49 "A" Platoon
Place: Fire Station 49
400 Yacht St
Wilmington, CA 90744
Date & Time: Saturday, August 30, 2008 ("A" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour 2 p.m. – Dinner 5 p.m.
RSVP BY AUGUST 21, 2008
Food & Price: BBQ-Beef OR Chicken (Tell us if you want chicken)
\$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift
Reservations: Fire Station 49 (310) 548-7549
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ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

RETIREMENTS

Name: DOLAN, James, Captain II
Safety Officer, Bureau of Training and Risk Management

Place: Ports O' Call Restaurant
Berth 76, Port of Los Angeles
San Pedro, CA 90731

Date & Time: Friday, September 5, 2008 ("C" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. - Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Buffet Style Dinner, \$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: David Frelinger, Battalion Chief 12 "A"
(213) 386-3316
(dfrelinger@yahoo.com) or June Andrade,
(323) 828-7140 (june.andrade@lacity.org)

RSVP by August 31, 2008
Casual Attire
ALL ARE WELCOME

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Name: KAPLAN, Howard, Captain I
Fire Station 91 "A" Platoon

Place: Knollwood Country Club
12024 Balboa Blvd.
Granada Hills, CA 91344

Date & Time: Tuesday, September 9, 2008 ("B" Platoon on Duty)
Social Hour 6 p.m. – Dinner 7 p.m.

RSVP by August 25, 2008

Food & Price: Chicken Marsala&Tri Tip Buffet
\$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 18 (818) 360-1177

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INFORMATION

12TH ANNUAL CRAIG ALDER CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 15TH 2008



Announcing the 12th Annual Craig Alder Charity Golf Tournament! Craig Alder, the son of retired LAFD (Los Angeles City) Fire Captain Rich Alder and brother of SBFDF (San Bernardino City) Battalion Chief Mike Alder, was an SBFDF firefighter whose career was cut short when he suffered serious brain injuries after being struck by a car while crossing the street in his home town of Temecula. Family and friends have put together this annual golf tournament for Craig and his family, wife Buffy and two sons Jake and Wyatt, to help ease the financial burden of living expenses plus his continuing care and rehabilitation. Last year's tournament was a huge success and we sincerely appreciate the support of the LAFD, SBFDF and many other fire departments, friends and families.

This year's tournament will be held Monday, September 15, 2008 at the Temecula Creek Inn Golf Club in Temecula, Calif. The tournament will be a four person scramble format with a 9:00 AM shotgun start. Men and ladies are welcome and you may enter as a foursome or as individuals. The entry fee is \$125.00, which includes golf, cart, banquet lunch and T-shirt.

Hole sponsors and tee sponsors are also needed. Entry blanks will be sent to past participants and you may get further information by contacting Mike Alder at (909) 693-6490 or (951) 308-1342.

Thank You in advance for your support,
Craig Alder Foundation, Inc.
Tax ID #731713897

Mike Alder

WEEKLY UPDATE

EMS PLAN UPDATE

Back on April 27, 2008, 15 BLS fire companies were upgraded to Paramedic Assessment status at 15 fire stations in Battalions 3, 13, 14 and 18. This change of deployment allowed the eligible paramedics to rotate between the Paramedic Rescue Ambulance and the Paramedic Assessment fire company.

The purpose of the Deployment Plan was to provide a paramedic rotation option, provide better patient care by increasing the number of paramedic resources, and decrease paramedic response times. This deployment model is currently accomplishing all of these goals.

However, the Assessment Light Forces at some fire stations are experiencing a higher call load than had originally been predicted.

Both the Department and UFLAC have evaluated the available data, solicited and obtained input from the affected fire station personnel, and explored several possible options to address the workload and resource configuration issues.

Labor and management are in agreement that a modification to the current resource configurations at several of the affected fire stations is necessary to further evaluate and determine the ultimate best solution to address all of the issues.

The original deployment of the Light Force as the Paramedic Assessment resource at fire stations with a very high call load has resulted in the need to evaluate an alternative resource configuration. Namely, deploying the Engine as the Paramedic Assessment resource instead of the Light Force.

WEEKLY UPDATE (Continued)

Effective July 29, 2008, the resource configurations at Fire Stations 26, 33, 64, 66 and 94 will be changed. The Paramedic Assessment resource at each of these fire stations will be switched from the Light Force to the Engine. The resource configurations will remain the same at every other fire station.

Another modification of the EMS Deployment Plan will include changing the existing EMS Dispatch Algorithms to reduce the number and type of resources responding to non-life threatening ALS incidents, as well as non-emergency BLS incidents. These changes should reduce the number of needless or duplicate fire company responses. The actual date of implementation is forthcoming.

RESPONSE TIME GOALS

The Department's Response Time Goal is for the first resource to arrive on scene at all emergencies within 5 minutes, 90% of the time; and for a Paramedic resource to arrive on scene of Life-threatening Advanced Life Support (ALS) medical emergencies within 8 minutes, 90% of the time.

Response times are calculated using all three of these components:

- Dispatch time—time spent by the call-taker and dispatchers to initiate the dispatch
- Turnout time—time from dispatch to the time units are enroute (ENR)
- Driving time—travel time from enroute (ENR) to arrival at the scene (ONS)

During the months of January, February and March of 2008, the Response Time Percentages for these benchmark incidents were as follows:

First resource on scene at Structure Fire incidents – **95 %** within 5 minutes

First resource on scene at Life-threatening EMS incidents – **87 %** within 5 minutes

First paramedic on scene at Life-threatening EMS incidents – **86 %** within 8 minutes

QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

During the months of January, February and March of 2008:

The 20 busiest Paramedic Rescue Ambulances were:

1.	Rescue 33	14.0 responses per shift
2.	Rescue 66	13.6 responses per shift
3.	Rescue 46	13.2 responses per shift
4.	Rescue 64	13.2 responses per shift
5.	Rescue 57	13.0 responses per shift
6.	Rescue 257	12.6 responses per shift
7.	Rescue 94	12.2 responses per shift
8.	Rescue 11	11.9 responses per shift
9.	Rescue 39	11.8 responses per shift
10.	Rescue 68	11.5 responses per shift
11.	Rescue 9	11.5 responses per shift
12.	Rescue 209	11.4 responses per shift
13.	Rescue 15	11.3 responses per shift
14.	Rescue 34	11.3 responses per shift
15.	Rescue 26	11.1 responses per shift
16.	Rescue 89	10.8 responses per shift
17.	Rescue 13	10.6 responses per shift
18.	Rescue 98	10.6 responses per shift
19.	Rescue 7	10.5 responses per shift
20.	Rescue 81	10.3 responses per shift

The ten Paramedic Rescue Ambulances with the most emergency hours worked:

1.	Rescue 66	665 emergency hours	7 hrs, 19 min. per shift
2.	Rescue 94	634 emergency hours	6 hrs, 58 min. per shift
3.	Rescue 46	633 emergency hours	6 hrs, 57 min. per shift
4.	Rescue 34	625 emergency hours	6 hrs, 52 min. per shift
5.	Rescue 68	621 emergency hours	6 hrs, 49 min. per shift
6.	Rescue 61	613 emergency hours	6 hrs, 44 min. per shift
7.	Rescue 64	612 emergency hours	6 hrs, 43 min. per shift
8.	Rescue 39	604 emergency hours	6 hrs, 38 min. per shift
9.	Rescue 33	589 emergency hours	6 hrs, 28 min. per shift
10.	Rescue 257	578 emergency hours	6 hrs, 21 min. per shift

During the months of January, February and March of 2008:

The 20 busiest BLS Rescue Ambulances were:

1.	Rescue 864	15.6 responses per shift
2.	Rescue 857	15.5 responses per shift
3.	Rescue 866	14.8 responses per shift
4.	Rescue 811	14.3 responses per shift
5.	Rescue 846	14.0 responses per shift
6.	Rescue 833	13.7 responses per shift
7.	Rescue 881	13.2 responses per shift
8.	Rescue 889	12.2 responses per shift
9.	Rescue 827	11.6 responses per shift
10.	Rescue 868	11.3 responses per shift
11.	Rescue 810	11.3 responses per shift
12.	Rescue 826	11.3 responses per shift
13.	Rescue 814	11.2 responses per shift
14.	Rescue 804	11.0 responses per shift
15.	Rescue 861	11.0 responses per shift
16.	Rescue 803	11.0 responses per shift
17.	Rescue 894	10.8 responses per shift
18.	Rescue 860	10.3 responses per shift
19.	Rescue 898	9.8 responses per shift
20.	Rescue 834	9.6 responses per shift

The ten BLS Rescue Ambulances with the most emergency hours worked were:

1.	Rescue 857	584 emergency hours	6 hours, 30 minutes per shift
2.	Rescue 889	552 emergency hours	6 hours, 4 minutes per shift
3.	Rescue 866	546 emergency hours	6 hours, 0 minutes per shift
4.	Rescue 864	542 emergency hours	5 hours, 57 minutes per shift
5.	Rescue 811	528 emergency hours	5 hours, 48 minutes per shift
6.	Rescue 881	527 emergency hours	5 hours, 47 minutes per shift
7.	Rescue 894	520 emergency hours	5 hours, 43 minutes per shift
8.	Rescue 846	518 emergency hours	5 hours, 41 minutes per shift
9.	Rescue 868	509 emergency hours	5 hours, 36 minutes per shift
10.	Rescue 861	504 emergency hours	5 hours, 32 minutes per shift

INFORMATION (Continued)

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Dear Friends,

It is that time of the year again and the families of the Craig Alder Family are once again hoping that you will join us for a wonderful and much needed cause that will take us into our 12th year. The Craig Alder Charity Golf Tournament will take place this year on **September 15th 2008**. Once again, we will be having the Tournament at the beautiful **Temecula Creek Golf Course**.

The Temecula Creek Golf Course is part of the Temecula Creek Inn. (TCI) It is secluded in the soft rolling hills of Southern California's Wine Country in a tranquil world of its own. TCI features 27-Holes of Championship Golf surrounded by over 300 acres of rustic beauty, dramatic elevation changes, sweeping mountain views and year-round sunny weather. We really hope that you will join us for some great golfing and fun but more importantly to once again support Craig, Buffy, Jake and Wyatt.



The Temecula Creek Inn has offered a fantastic (\$109.00) on their rooms for Sunday September 14th, for those that wish to stay the evening before and beat the traffic on Monday the 15th. TCI also offers a wonderful restaurant - Temet Grill. If you are interested in staying at TCI, just call and reserve under the Craig Alder Charity Golf Tournament at **800-962-7335** by 08/17/08.

Because this is just the second year that we have moved the location of the golf tournament, we don't want you to get lost so a map has been included with the golf flyer. All player and sponsor information is included on the flyer. However, if you have any questions at all, don't hesitate to contact Mike Alder at 909-693-6490.

For those that of you that have played and or supported this tournament before, thank you again for your continued support throughout the years. For those that are new to this charity golf tournament we are really looking forward to meeting you and thank you for supporting such a great cause for a wonderful and inspirational family who is still in need of your generosity and support.

Sincerely,
Mike Alder

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