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DOUGLAS L. BARRY
Fire Chief

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETIREMENTS

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



Name: HOWE, Rich, Engineer, F.S. 93 "A" Platoon

Place: Sagebrush Cantina
23527 Calabasas Road, Calabasas

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 10, 2008
("C" Shift on duty)
Social Hour: 6pm – Dinner: 7pm

Food & Price: Tex-Mex Barbecue Chicken – Rib Buffet
\$45 Includes tax, tip & gift

Reservations: Fire Station 93 (818) 756-8693
Grapevine (818) 342-1645

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Name: KEYS, John, Firefighter/Paramedic
Fire Station 69, "B" Platoon

Place: Sportsman's Lodge
12825 Ventura Blvd, Studio City (818) 769-4700

Date & Time: Friday, September 12, 2008 ("C" shift on duty)
Social Hour 6:30 – Dinner 7:30

Food & Price: Buffet, Beef Bourguignon, Lemon Herb
Chicken Breast, Vegetable Lasagna
\$50.00 includes tax, tip & gift

Reservations: Bill Hertz Fire Station 69 (310) 454-7474 or
(310) 454-9210

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Name: PRICE, Ron, Engineer
Fire Station 59 "A" Platoon

Place: The Wilshire Grand Hotel
930 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Date & Time: Saturday, September 20, 2008
Social Hour 6 p.m. – Dinner 7 p.m. - Dance
10:30p.m.

Food & Price: Chicken or Salmon
\$65.00 includes tax, tip

Reservations: Fire Station 59 (310) 575-8559
Cell (213) 713-4299

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Name: NORRIS, Steve "The Weeze", Captain II,
UFLAC Office, Fire Station 63 B-Shift

Place: Odyssey Restaurant
15600 Odyssey Drive
Granada Hills, California 91344

Date & Time: September 26, 2008 ("A" Shift on duty)
6:30 p.m. Social Hour – 7:30 p.m. Dinner

Food & Price: Chicken Breast Jerusalem or Marinated
Sirloin Steak, \$60.00 (includes Tax-Tip-Gift)

RSVP: Maria Riggs (800) 252-8352 ext 208 or
Centrex (213) 485-2091 ext 208

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Name: BENKOVSKY, Dennis, Captain I
Fire Station 97, "C" Platoon

Place: Bob Turner's Home
21227 Oak Orchard Road
Newhall, CA 91321

Date & Time: Sunday, September 28, 2008
Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. – BBQ 4:00 p.m.

Food & Price: \$25 per person includes tax. tip and gift,
Tri tip and chicken

Reservations: Fire Station 97 (818) 756-8697



Name: MATESICH, Stan, Engineer
Fire Station 101, "B" Shift

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

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 1, 2008 ("A" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. - Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Buffet Style Dinner, \$50.00 includes tax,
tip and gift

Reservations: Mike Richard, FS 101 "B" (310) 833-7400
(michael.richard@cox.net) or
Wes Shundo, FS 101 "B" (310) 548-7501

RSVP by September 20, 2008

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

RETIREMENTS

Names: **ALDERSON**, Will, Captain II, F.S. 69C
GROSS, Michael, Firefighter III, F.S. 69C
JUST, James, Firefighter / Lead Paramedic, F.S. 69A
MATTHES, Richard, Captain II, F.S. 69B
MILLER, Rickard, Firefighter III, F.S. 69C
STRANGE, Edward, Firefighter, Lead Paramedic, F.S. 69C

Place: Odyssey Restaurant
15600 Odyssey Dr., Granada Hills

Date & Time: **Friday, October 3, 2008** ("A" Shift on duty)
Social Hour 6 p.m. – Dinner 7 p.m.
Dancing till 12:00 a.m.

RSVP by September 24, 2008

Food & Price: Buffet: Mozzarella Chicken, Baked Salmon, Roast Top Sirloin and Salads, \$50, includes tax, tip & gift

Reservations: F.S. 69 (310) 454-9210 or (310) 454-7474

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Name: **SHIPP**, Larry, Fire Inspector II
FPB- Film Unit

Place: L.A. Center Studios
401 S. Boylston Street, Los Angeles 90017

Date & Time: **Saturday, October 4, 2008** (B Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6 p.m. – Dinner 7:00 p.m.

RSVP by September 19, 2008

Food & Price: Steak and Chicken Buffet
\$65.00 includes tax, tip, gift, and dancing

Attire: Dress to Impress

Reservations: Film Unit (213) 978-3670

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Name: **VOWELS**, Robert, Captain I
Fire Station 35, "A" Platoon

Place: Simon's Restaurant
1050 Nagoya Way
San Pedro, CA 90731

Date & Time: **Tuesday, October 7, 2008** ("C" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Prime Rib or Chicken Cordon Bleu
\$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Contact Fire Station 35 – (213) 485-6235

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Names: **ESPINOZA**, Gilbert, Firefighter, "A" Platoon
BECKENHAUER, Geoffrey D. Firefighter, "C" Platoon
MARTINEZ, Miguel M., Firefighter, "B" Platoon
GUTIERREZ, Paul A., Firefighter, "B" Platoon
TORRES, Moises J. Firefighter, "B" Platoon
ARMENDARIZ, Ruben A., Firefighter, "B" Platoon
LOYD, John W., Firefighter, "B" Platoon

Place: The Queen Mary (Queens Salon Room)
1126 Queen Highway, Long Beach, CA 90802

Date & Time: **Friday, October 10, 2008** ("A" Shift on duty)
Social Hour 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m.
Dinner and Dance

RSVP BY September 26, 2008

Food & Price: Grilled Chicken Breast w/creamy mushroom sauce, \$65.00 includes tax, tip and gift
Parking additional

Reservations: OCD – Natalie Goshi at 213-485-6009

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Name: **SANCHEZ**, "JUMBO" Jim, Captain I
Fire Station 40, "B" Platoon

Place: Ports O' Call Restaurant
Berth 76, San Pedro, CA 90731

Date & Time: **Tuesday, October 14th, 2008** - ("A" shift on duty)
Social Hour 6:00 Dinner 7:00

Food & Price: Buffet, Beef, Lemon Herb Chicken Breast, and Salmon
\$50.00 includes tax, tip & gift

Reservations: Fire Station 40 Grapevine
(310) 831-8439

Contact Person: Gabe Velez FS 40 "B" Platoon

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Name: **FEATHERSTONE**, James, Captain II
Homeland Security Division

Place: Kyoto Grand Hotel (Formerly New Otani)
120 S. Los Angeles Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date & Time: **Wednesday, October 15, 2008** – ("B" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00p.m. – Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Beef*, Chicken*, or Vegetarian*
\$60.00 includes tax, tip, & gift

Reservations: Call Lydia Luna, Homeland Security Division
(213) 485-3656 by Monday, October 6, 2008

* Indicate Beef, Chicken or Vegetarian when reserving

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Name: **ZARING**, Billy L, Captain II
Fire Station 14 "A"

Place: Odyssey Restaurant
15600 Odyssey Dr. Granada Hills

Date & Time: **Thursday, October 16, 2008** ("C" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00 P.M.-Dinner: 7:00 P.M.

Food & Price: Buffet Style Diner, \$50.00 includes tax and tip
**ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO
TOM KENYON JR. FUND**

Reservations: Fire Station 14 (213) 485-6214 or (323) 231-8804

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Name: **HOLLOWAY**, John ("Sparkie") Captain I
Operations Control Dispatch, "A" Platoon

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

Date & Time: **Friday, October 17, 2008** ("B" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.
RSVP BY October 3, 2008

Food & Price: Choice of Filet Mignon or Chicken Marsala
\$55.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: OCD – Natalie Goshi at 213-485-6009

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INFORMATION

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

Dear Chief Barry,

I wish to thank you and your crew for the immediate response today regarding the car fire on Appian Way in the Hollywood Hills. I'm sure you receive many such letters but I wanted you to know I really appreciate the fire protection our neighborhood receives.

I've lived in the lookout Mountain neighborhood for about 6 years and have observed the Department's quick response to areas fires.

Thankfully today I was taking my daily walk and you and your crew as always were quick to arrive.

Thank you again and best wishes,

Jim Steinfeldt

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 SBF (San Bernardino City) Battalion Chief Mike Alder, was an SBF 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, SBF 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

ANNUAL DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

During fiscal year 2007-2008, the total number of incidents increased 1.7% to 369,085. The number of EMS incidents increased 2.0% to 303,942. The number of non-EMS fire incidents decreased 0.1% to 65,143. The total number of responses to these incidents decreased 0.5% to 753,428.

During fiscal year 2007-2008, the total number of uniformed positions increased from 3,576 to 3,594. The number of firefighters on-duty each day increased from 1,091 to 1,101. The total number of paramedic positions increased from 717 to 747. The number of paramedics on-duty each day increased from 226 to 242.

During fiscal year 2007-2008, 244 new firefighters were hired and 134 members retired. The number of vacant positions at fire stations decreased from 238 to 145.

During fiscal year 2007-2008, the number of fire stations increased from 104 to 106 with the opening of new Fire Stations

36 and 67. The number of ambulances increased from 128 to 129. The number of paramedic resources increased from 135 to 152.

Over the last 12 years, the number of fire companies (Engines and Light Forces) increased 3% from 145 to 150. The number of ambulances increased 98% from 65 to 129. The daily staffing level increased 19% from 927 to 1,101 firefighters.

Over the last 12 years, the total number of incidents increased 21%. The number of EMS incidents increased 28%. The number of non-EMS fire incidents decreased 3%.

Over the last 12 years, the total number of responses to these incidents increased 42%. The number of fire company responses increased 40%, and the number of ambulance responses increased 63%.

INFORMATION (Continued)

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

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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