

NET works

*'a monthly bulletin featuring
juvenile with fire intervention
network activities from
across the state'*

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"Knowledge is Power"

Sir Frances Bacon, 1597

As we enter into a new year, it is important to review where we've been and plan where we're going. The purpose of review is not only to be able to report data, detail trends and highlight activities for the upcoming annual report but, to understand these trends; what is happening in Oregon, what is working and what may need some adjusting so that we can plan accordingly. The review and analysis of data is a critical component of our continuous quality improvement efforts. Data drives the development of programmatic goals, activity/project planning, decision making and policy. Data increases our working knowledge of the issue of juvenile firesetting; the youth, their behavior, and best practices for prevention and intervention activities. Data drives decisions made by funding sources at the local, state and federal level that support juvenile with fire prevention and intervention programs. Data is testimony to your hardwork and commitment to your communities. Data is knowledge; knowledge is power!

A review of 2009 juvenile with fire data clearly identifies a need to improve in our collection and reporting of juvenile with fire data. As of January 4, 2009 only 85 incidents involving youth with fire across the state were reported to OSFM. For the past several years (2005-2007) there were an average of 841 juvenile with fire incidents reported in Oregon. There is little doubt that a significant number of 2009 incidents are yet to be reported. Please review your department's data, the 10J's you have completed, and those that you have submitted to OSFM-Data Unit. If you incidents that 10J's that have not yet been completed and/or reported, please submit them immediately!

We are ecstatic that Oregon's new data reporting system, FireBridge, is now live and are confident that an integrated, electronic reporting system will improve data reporting for 2010. We are partnering with OSFM's data unit to provide regional trainings to all Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Spe-

Important Dates

**Oregon Fire Marshals
Association/Pacific Northwest
Coordinating Group Winter
School & Fire Prevention
Workshop**

February 22-26, 2010
Salishan Lodge
Gleneden Beach, Oregon
\$175.00 Registration Fee

For information, visit:
www.ofma.net

(Note: Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist I training will be offered at the Workshop on 2/23 and 2/24)

**Northeast Juvenile Firesetting
Conference: "Take Home Tools
& Effective Strategies"**

May 13-14, 2010
Worcester Crown Plaza
Worcester, Massachusetts

For more information visit:
www.brandonschool.org

Oregon JFIN Advisory Board

Thursday, May 20th, 2010
9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
Office of State Fire Marshal
4760 Portland Road NE, Salem

**Western Juvenile with Fire
Conference: Cultivating
Partnerships III**

August 17-18, 2010
Eugene Hilton & Conference
Center
Eugene, Oregon

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cialists. This training will provide a review of Oregon data and hands-on instruction for using the Juvenile Firesetter Intervention module within FireBridg to report incidents of youth with fire. The online system replaces the 10J.

Judy and Helen are working with local Deputy State Fire Marshals and JFI Network chairpersons to schedule these trainings. For more information, contact Judy at 503-894-8230 or Helen at 503-934-8240.

NET.works is distributed on a monthly basis to all Oregon Juvenile with Fire Intervention Programs. We invite you to share information about your local networks successes, upcoming meetings, community events and trainings with partners across the state. Please send information to firesetter@state.or.us



Fire Safe Children and Families: a model of Oregon's juvenile with fire local networks

Fire Safe Children and Families is a non-profit organization that provides education/intervention services to families and their children ages 6 – 17. It was initially developed through a coalition of Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties JFIN's with the purpose to provide consistent services to the metro counties for youth that misuse fire. The organization has also been willing to provide services to other youth regardless of the county in which they reside. The services include: Fire Safety Academy for parents and their children ages 6 – 12, SAFETY for adolescents ages 12 – 17 and Rapid Access dollars to provide more individualized services for those youth unable to participate in a group setting.

An Advisory Board, representing a wide variety of agencies, was developed in order to gain the full cooperation of the three counties. It provides the more global direction for the program. The Advisory Board membership includes: Dennis Kenna – Washington County Juvenile Department Director, Dave Koch – Multnomah County Juvenile Department Director,



Thomas Cleary – Multnomah County District Attorney's Office, Cindy Hubert – State Farm Insurance, Tammy Jackson – Portland Public Schools, Kevin Sutherland – Director of Safety Beaverton School District, John Nohr – Portland Fire and Rescue, Gary Richter – Risk Manager of North Clackamas School District, Gary Seidel – Chief of Hillsboro Fire Department, Ed Wilson – Chief of Lake Oswego Fire Department, Alec Jensen – TVFR.

The Board of Directors provides the direction to the program and is also very diverse. This membership includes: Timothy Kopet – Private Psychologist, Judith Okulitch - OSFM, Ellen Crawford – Clackamas County Juvenile Department Director, Barbara Newcomb – Washington County Juvenile Department Counselor, Joe Troncoso – Portland Fire and Rescue, Chuck Chaffin – retired Lake Oswego Fire Department,

Kirsten Balding – Oregon Burn Center, Connie Wilbanks – retired Hillsboro Fire Department and Rolanda Ayers - TVFR.

If you have any questions regarding the services please contact: Linda Nickerson, Program Coordinator, at 503-988-5061 ext 228.



Fire Awareness and Disaster Preparedness Curriculum and Training for Oregon's Elementary and Middle Schools

OSFM has partnered with the Healthy Kids Learn Better Cadre and local fire departments to provide fire awareness and disaster preparedness training for Oregon school teachers.

Trainings are scheduled as follows:

- Roseburg Area, Douglas County ESD-Roseburg, February 4, 2010
- Eugene Area, Lane County Fire District #1-Veneta, February 9, 2010
- Portland Area, Rice School, March 17, 2010
- Southwest Region, Grants Pass Public Safety Department, TBA
- Central Region, Woodburn Fire District, TBA

We extend a special thanks to the following individuals who participated in our curriculum training for fire educators and/or have been instrumental in coordinating teacher trainings within their communities: Sean Barrett-Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue, Jon Koenig-Woodburn Fire District, Paul Iverson-Woodburn Fire District, Brian Pike-Grants Pass Department of Public Safety, Heather Miller-Lane County Fire District #1, Chris Lyman-Deputy State Fire Marshal, Jeff Cranford-McMinnville Fire Department and Liz Iabichello-Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue.

For more information visit:

http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/JFSI_FA_Curricula.shtml

HOT ISSUES: A new look for the new electronic format

We are pleased to share the first electronic edition of Hot Issues with you. Hot Issues is a quarterly newsletter of innovative strategies, best practices, legislation, research and resources for those concerned about juveniles firesetting. Since 1990, Hot Issues has been distributed to an international readership of more than 4000 professionals representing the fire service, law enforcement, mental health, social services, education and legislature. You can access the Winter 2010 edition by clicking on the picture.



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http://listsmart.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/hot_issues

Local Network Meetings

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| Marion County JFIN Meeting: | Tuesday, January 19th at 10:30 a.m. MCJD-Community Connection Room, 3030 Center Street NE, Salem |
| Linn-Benton County JFIN Meeting: | Wednesday, January 20th at 1:30 p.m. Philomath Fire Department, 1035 Main Street, Philomath |
| Multnomah County JFIN Meeting: | Thursday, January 21st at 9:00 a.m. Multnomah County Juvenile Department, 1401 NE 68th, Portland |
| Washington County JFIN Meeting: | Thursday, February 11th at 9:00 a.m. St. Mary's Home, Hedinger Bldg, 16353 SW TV Hwy., Beaverton |
| Polk County JFIN Meeting: | Wednesday, March 10th at 3:00 p.m. Polk County Fire District #1, 1800 Monmouth Street, Independence |
| Coos County JFIN Meeting: | Wednesday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m. DHS, 2025 Sheridan Avenue, North Bend |