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Breathing Support 5

by John Peurifoy

Breathing Support 5 was placed into service on March 27. This unit has three functions: To provide mobile air refilling, portable lighting, and rehabilitation for firefighters. Some of the equipment placed on this unit include ice chests, cooling fans, self-contained breathing apparatus bottles, an air compressor, a generator with two light towers capable of lighting two football fields, and it even has restroom facilities. It is located at the Airport Fire Station.





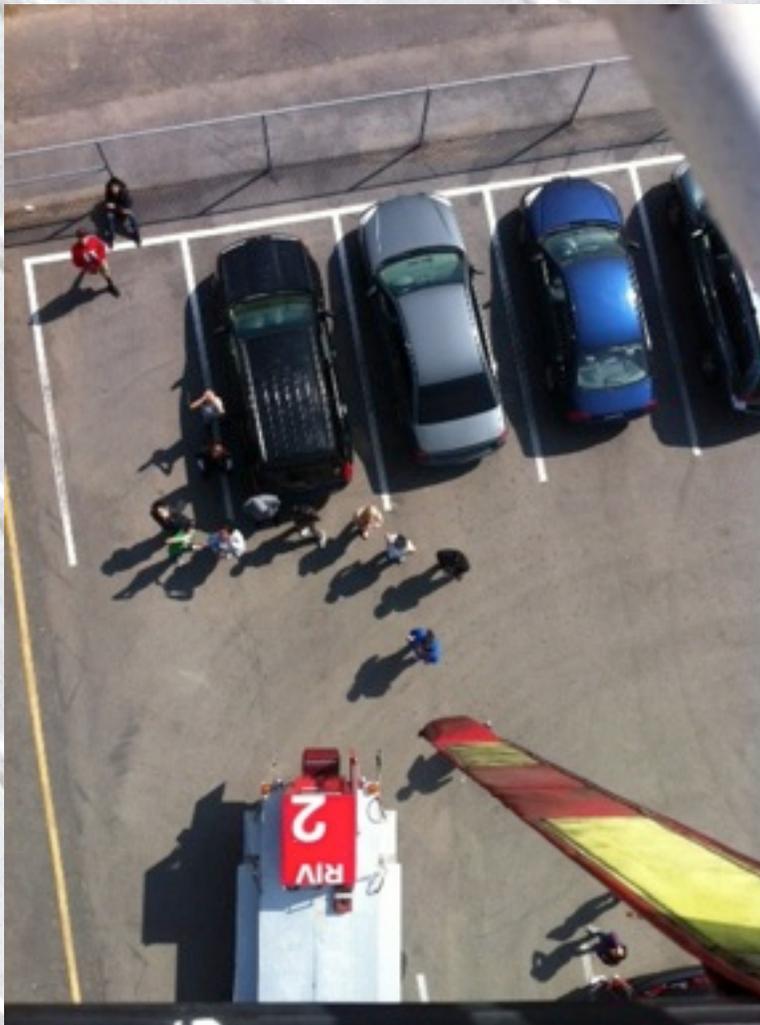
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To Norma Pagan from Mark Tibbetts, Chemawa PE Instructor, on Mar 15: Just wanted to let you know that my students and I really appreciated Station 2's crew visiting my classroom on Tuesday. The fire crew raised their 90 foot ladder up and that really excited my students. After the fire truck crew left campus I had three students express interest in joining RFD's Explorer Post 101. Thanks again for all your help with setting up RFD's visit to our school.

Truck 2A crew was Mike Staley, Bret Bauer, and Steve Schlom at the March 14 career day



FIRE LINE - DO NOT CROSS

Birthdays



April Birthdays

Mike Allen	4/9
Roger Cutshall	4/17
Steven Edwards	4/5
Gary Giovannetti	4/4
Scott Huchting	4/14
Dennis Hunt	4/28
Bryan Klinke	4/28
Stephen Loner	4/1
Steve McKinster	4/22
Christopher Naron	4/19
Steven Payne	4/29
Bill Schellhous	4/18
Sean Smith	4/29
Bill Stamper	4/11
Mark Thompson	4/8
Jonathan Turley	4/19
Tim Vanderhorst	4/12

**2012 RCFA 1067
Retirement Party
was held on
March 31, 2012, at the
Riverside Convention Center
Honorees included:**

**Deputy Chief Oran Pentz
Battalion Chief Dave Campos
Battalion Chief Jeff Dredla
Captain John Russell
Captain Bob Markin
Firefighter Jeff Larson
Trng Secretary Linda Daugherty
FF/PM Scott Semer**

There will be photos in the April or
May edition of *the General Alarm*.

Engine 12A crew trains
“full metal” at the Tower



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Every 15 Minute Program by John Peurifoy

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Engine 2, Squad 2 and Battalion 2 (B-shift) assisted with the Every 15 Minutes Program on March 21 at Arlington High School. AHS students learned a lesson on the choices they make with this two-day program sponsored by the the State Office of Traffic Safety and CHP. It was presented jointly by RPD and RFD along with AMR and Riverside Community Hospital. Communications Supervisor Kelley Ubelhor and Public Safety Dispatcher Diane Howard assisted with the Every 15 Minutes Program at Arlington High School. Battalion Chief Stamper staffed a hose-line during the program.

Memorial Service: Battalion Chief Mitch Wesche spoke to 500 high school seniors at Arlington High School on March 22 (Day 2) about choices they make in regards to drinking and driving. He reminded them that every 15 minutes a high school student is killed by a drunk driver.





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Re: Alarm Call on 1/19/12

Dear Chief Earley:

I want to apologize for the tardiness of this special thank you. Please know that everyone here at Thompson & Colegate is very appreciative and thankful to the fire personnel from Station 1 who responded to our smoke situation at our building around noon on January 19th:

Battalion Chief, Robert Valdez
Engineer, Ron Gutterud
Captains, Mike Weatherby, Rob Gabler & Richard Bennett
Firefighters, David Olivas, Bruce Harter, Steven Hill, Blair Tompkin, Mark Thompson,
Joshua Tronaas & Dan Richmond

All of these responders were very kind, professional and courteous with a hint of humor, which was appreciated.

Respectfully,

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Station 5 Visit

The Vazquez family stopped by to say thank you. They were involved in an MCI at Arlington and Adams on December 5th. Engines 5 and 7 responded to the call. Mrs Vazquez was 9 months pregnant with her daughter and actually went into labor from the accident. Although still dealing with the effects from the incident all are doing well including her new daughter who weighed in at 7 lbs. 11 oz. How about that for lucky numbers.



Patriot Hook Exercise

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Logistics Specialists participated in the Patriot Hook Exercise on March 15-18. They practiced palletizing unusual and dangerous cargo for military travel and observed other task forces while flying from the Los Alamitos Naval Reserve. Rob Gabler, Peter Sellas, Dennis Hunt, Steve Scotti, Mike Williams, and Carl Colby flew with the cargo.



Congratulations

6 Month Probation: Michael Detoy, Paul Avila

12 Month Probation: Brian Guzzetta; Giovanni Contreras

Engine Certification: Paul Young

American Legion Award: On the morning of Mar 21 at roll call, Captain Richard Bell was presented his Firefighter of the Year Award from the American Legion by Jim Thompson.





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City of Arts & Innovation

Riverside Fire Department Office of Emergency Management CERT Class # 41 Graduates



Congratulations!

Names in Alphabetical order: Jose Aubert, David Camit, Richard Dauer, Edna Ernst, Elias Garcia, Susan Gregg, Mark Hanna, Eva Kasick, Katrina Kociemba, Tony Le, Dara Metzker, Charlotte Murphy, Burton Parker, Steve Putnam, Erik Ramirez, Sofia Robles, Neil Sachs, Sayra Sanchez, Jackie Sayer, Rick Schirmer, Lisa Schulz - Garcia, Amir Shahatit, Rami Shahatit, Thomas Slone, Peter Sellas, Chrisy Turner, Paul Van Doren, Jan Vejchar, Phil Wojtalewicz, Brandon Yanez, CERT Refreshers: Nicholas Esparza, Nader Shahatit, Jo Ann Snodgrass,

CERT Class #41 graduated on March 11





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TRAINING PHOTO ALBUM



CPR Recertification

Left: Lisa Holloway and Anthony Frausto attend FEMA Logistics training in Indianapolis. Below: Fire Explorer Post 101 trains with Mercy Air



MORE PHOTOS



Above: Canine Specialists from USAR TF6 perform a demonstration to elementary school children at Mary S. Roberts Pet Adoption Center. Right: 85 kindergarten students from Jefferson Elementary School stopped by Station 5 on March 14. They loved checking out our equipment but seemed really excited about our new Breathing Support Unit. Something about those roll up doors. Engineer Breads shows off our new Breathing Support during a school tour. Below: RFD units respond to mutual aid at the Teller Incident in Corona

