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Around Montana

Montana City Vol. Fire Dept. 8th Annual St. Baldrick’s Foundation Event

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There is still time to get a team together or to sign up yourself to participate in this year’s Montana City Volunteer Fire Department’s 8th Annual St. Baldrick’s Foundation Event: Montana Firefighters and Friends on Saturday April 11th, 2015 at 11:30am. Now is the time to register! https://www.stbaldricks.org/login/participate/1074/2015/

Thanks to our generous donors and participants, we’ve raised over $225,000.00 in the last 7 years!

About St. Baldrick’s Foundation
The St. Baldrick’s Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. St. Baldrick’s coordinates its signature head-shaving events worldwide where participants collect pledges to shave their heads in solidarity with kids with cancer, raising money to fund research. Since 2005, St. Baldrick’s has awarded more than $154 million to
support lifesaving research, making the Foundation the largest private funder of childhood cancer research grants. St. Baldrick’s funds are granted to some of the most brilliant childhood cancer research experts in the world and to younger professionals who will be the experts of tomorrow. Funds awarded also enable hundreds of local institutions to participate in national pediatric cancer clinical trials, and the new International Scholar grants train researchers to work in developing countries. For more information about the St. Baldrick’s Foundation please call 1.888.899.BALD or visit www.StBaldricks.org.

Please mark your calendar now to join us on Saturday, April 11th at Montana City School, 11 McClellan Creek Rd in Montana City for a rousing good time! This is a family-friendly activity. Festivities begin at 11:30am. Enjoy a BBQ lunch, cheer on the Shavees or plan to bid on a silent auction item!

For more information, please go to https://www.montanacityfire.org and follow the St.Baldrick’s links.

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A Note From Trudy Smith

Hello to all, here is the link to the participants page, any sponsorship you want to send is appreciated, head shave will take place on April 11th, at Montana City Fire, please help me to raise money for this event.

Thanks, Trudy Smith

Here is the link to my participant's page: 
https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/758772/2015

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Date: April 8, 2015  
Time: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM  
Location: East Valley Fire Station, 2694 Valley Drive, East Helena, MT [Map]  
RSVP: execdir@firesafemt.org or 406-431-8718

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**New Board Members Needed**

Do you have a passion for community wildfire preparedness? Do you want to help chart the future path for FireSafe Montana? If you do, please consider joining our board of directors! Nominations and elections will be held during the annual meeting.

**Nominations for the 2014 Wildfire Awareness Awards**

FireSafe Montana is also accepting nominations for their 2014 Wildfire Awareness Awards:

- FSM Contractor’s Award
- FSM Community Award
- FSM Landscape Award

Please take a moment to nominate all deserving individuals or organizations for their accomplishments in fire prevention and preparedness. Nominations are due by March 20th. Ballot and Instructions can be downloaded here as a PDF.

**The Agenda Will Be Posted Soon At firesafemt.org**

We look forward to seeing you! If you have any question please contact Mandy Randall at (406) 431-8718 or email execdir@firesafemt.org.

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**Billings Firefighters Respond To Fire Alarm At Crowne Plaza**

Billings firefighters hiked to the 23rd floor of the downtown Crown Plaza Billings hotel early Friday morning, where a malfunction in a water pump knocked out power to the elevator system and caused some water and smoke damage affecting the 20th to 23rd floors. The entire hotel, at 27 N. 27th St., which was 85 percent occupied, was not evacuated, said LaRell Baldwin, the manager.

Battalion Chief Terry Larson said there was limited power on the 20th to 23rd floors. The incident happened at about 5:20 a.m. when a pump in the elevator room on the 23rd floor malfunctioned, he said.

Water from the pump dripped to the main electrical breaker, causing an explosion when the panel went out, Larson said. Water also dripped down the walls, he said.

Livin' Large Larry, with NewsTalk radio 95.5, located on the hotel's 23rd floor, was prepping for his morning show when he said he and his co-worker, Harv, "heard a big boom" at 5:20 a.m. and saw smoke. "It shook the 23rd floor," he said.

An automated message advising evacuation came on the intercom system, he said. Smoke billowed from light fixtures and there was water in the hallway as he and his co-workers left the 23rd floor and walked down the back stairwell, he said.

The radio hosts waited in the lobby while firefighters investigated the scene. Larry said there were a few others mingling in the lobby. While the hosts waited to return, the radio shows were running on automation, he said.

Meanwhile, business at Starbucks, located in the lobby, ran as normal, with customers coming in for their morning brews.

Four engines along with a ladder truck, 15 firefighters and the battalion chief responded to the call.

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Fire Chief Position For City of Bozeman
http://www.bozeman.net/Departments/Human-Resources/Jobs/Fire-Chief
Wage/Salary: $86,846 - $95,455/year depending on experience and qualifications

POSITION SUMMARY:
The City of Bozeman seeks a qualified Fire Chief to provide leadership and direct the operations and activities of the City’s Fire Department.

TO APPLY:
- Go to http://www.govhrusa.com/current-positions/recruitment.aspx and follow the application instructions. At this time you will not be completing a City of Bozeman application; please disregard the links below.
- Application Deadline: March 9, 2015
If you have any questions regarding this process you may contact the City of Bozeman Human Resources Department at 406-582-2367 or via e-mail at humanresources@bozeman.net.

Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness Course

The Montana EMS for Children (EMSC) and Child Ready MT will host the new 16-hour course developed by the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service and the National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center (TEEX.)

DATE: June 18-19, 2015 in Billings, Montana (Course #: FPMGT439 27)

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course prepares students to effectively, appropriately, and safely plan for and respond to a disaster incident involving children. The course addresses the specific needs of pediatric patients in the event of a community-based incident.

This is not a hands-on technical course, but instead a management resource course for stakeholders like pediatric physicians, emergency managers, emergency planners, and members of public emergency departments like EMS, Fire, Police, Public Health, and Hospitals in the field of disaster response and preparedness work.

Prerequisite: None. However, familiarity with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS) via completion of study courses IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800 (or equivalents) is recommended.

Topics:
- Introduction to Pediatric Response
- Emergency Management (EM) Considerations
- Implications for Planning and Response
- Functional Access Needs Considerations
- Mass Sheltering
- Pediatric Triage
- Allocation of Scarce Resources
- Pediatric Reunification Considerations
- Pediatric Decontamination Considerations

Audience:
- Community and Hospital-based Emergency Managers
· EMS Personnel
· Hospital Administration and Emergency Room Personnel
· Public Safety/ Public Health Personnel
· School Administrators
· MRC Personnel
· Private Sector
· Law Enforcement
· Disaster Response/ Relief Personnel
· County, State, and Federal personnel who respond to a local jurisdiction disaster event response

Registration is limited to 60 Participants. Register now to save your place!
Registration form is located at: http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/EMSTS/calendar.aspx. Open hyperlink, go to conferences/education and click on the Registration Form.

(If registrant is not a United States Citizen, the submission of a Foreign National Access Visitor Form will be necessary at least 100 days before the course start date.)

Help distribute this information to your stakeholders.

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Around the Nation

Ohio Firefighters Hurt in Ladder Truck Crash

Firefighters attempt to free one of their own.
Three Munson Township firefighters were injured, one critically, Thursday afternoon in a crash while responding to a fire call. The driver of the rig as well as a civilian were reportedly in critical condition, according to FOX8.com. The truck was responding to assist another department with a house fire when the collision occurred. The roads were snow covered when the 3 p.m. wreck happened.

FDNY Firefighter Hit by Manhole Cover

A firefighter was hit by a flying manhole cover in Brooklyn Thursday night. He had been rushing to the scene of another manhole fire at 1291 Broadway at around 10 p.m. when a second fire blew a manhole open just feet away, at 1271 Broadway, officials said.

“There was an underground transformer fire here,” said FDNY Chief Daniel Martinetion. “It blew and hit him in the leg. It’s a compound break.” The firefighter, who sustained head injuries in addition to the broken leg, was taken to Kings County Hospital, where he was in stable condition.

Va. House Fire Leaves Two Children Dead, One Critical

A house fire has claimed the lives of two siblings and left another clinging to life. The fire in Galax left a seven-year-old boy and his four-year-old sister dead, while their nine-month old brother is in Winston-Salem hospital. The mother and a five-year-old managed to escape the fire, according to WDB7. Galax Fire Chief David Hankley and a police officer were treated for smoke inhalation after trying to rescue the children, who were trapped inside. “They made several attempts to get inside the house but was driven back by the fire and smoke,” Carroll County Sheriff J.B. Gardner said during a press conference. “It’s horrible, horrible. We have a lot of house fires but we don’t have a lot of house fires where people die especially not children. It’s just tragic.”

Crude Oil Train Cars Derail, Burn in Ill.
Smoke was visible for many miles.

Photo credit: Galena Fire Department

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**GALENA, Ill.** (AP) — Railroad company officials say a fiery oil train derailment in western Illinois involved tank cars that already meet a higher safety standard than what federal law requires.

Six of the BNSF Railway train''s 105 cars derailed Thursday in a rural area where the Galena River meets the Mississippi. Two of those cars burst into flames. No injuries have been reported.

The company says the train''s tank cars were a newer model known as the 1232. That model was designed during safety upgrades voluntarily adopted by the industry four years ago. The improvements were meant to prevent cars from rupturing in the event of derailments.

But 1232 standard cars involved in three other accidents have split open in the past year, leading some to call for tougher requirements.

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