

The Bodega Volunteer Fire Department



Our Future New Station

Chiefs Report --Autumn 2007

Once again the year has rushed by. Here at the fire station we have been very busy. So far in 2007 the Bodega Volunteer Firefighters have already responded to 100 incidents in our area as well as Automatic Aid calls with our neighboring fire companies.

Our building committee has been hard at work to provide a station for our new Fire Engine from the Homeland Security Grant we were awarded in February. It is due to be ready for delivery no later than January 2008. We intend to submit our building plans to the county before the end of this year and would like to "break ground" in the spring of 2008. It has been a long haul but with everyone's support we will make it happen.

The funding committee has several funding plans nearly in place. One of the ways we will be trying to generate some start-up cash is by holding a large-scale raffle with really great prizes. You should be hearing more about this raffle shortly.

I would like to thank all who helped this year with our two main fundraisers. The Big Event netted approximately \$10,000 and the Seafood Art & Wine Festival brought us around \$9,000. We rely on the support and participation of our community for both of these events. Without volunteering your time these and other events would not be possible. There is still a need for more Bodega residents to get involved even if it's only for these two days. A few more volunteers can make a huge difference in the financial outcome.

In July we sent out our annual newsletter and dues notice. If you have sent it back I would like to thank you. If you haven't done so, please do. All we ask is that you pay the minimum dues of \$25. Of course, any additional donation is greatly appreciated and is tax deductible in that we are a 501(c)3 non profit organization.

As a final thought I would like to send out a big THANK YOU to our retiring Treasurer, Lisa Wernette for doing such an incredible job these past 8 years and another big THANK YOU to Nancy Perucchi for stepping up to relieve Lisa of her duties. Welcome back Nancy!

We are still in need of someone to fill the position of President of the board. If you are even somewhat curious, please come to our next business meeting November 13th at 7:30pm. and see if it's something you are willing to do to help your Fire Department and consequently your community.

Thank you,
Chief Ron Albini

Grant Update

Our department's Homeland Security Grant Award of \$197,640 with a 90/10 split is a once in a lifetime opportunity for our department to purchase a new fire engine at a fraction of the cost. The chassis for our new engine was purchased locally here at Bay Shore International and delivered direct from the factory to the Rosenbauer fire truck manufacturer. We will need to visit the manufacturer in Sioux Falls, South Dakota some time in late December or early January for final inspection of the engine prior to acceptance, and delivery. In order to save delivery cost the Department will drive the engine home at that time.

If you have any frequent flier miles that you can donate for this project please contact the department. 876-9438

Training Tower

As the year ends your volunteer firefighters will have completed a variety of trainings ranging from auto extrication, structure and wildland fires, and medical, and driver trainings in order to maintain the required skills and certifications needed to serve your community. You can be a volunteer at many levels of commitment including auxiliary fire fighter, or support staff. I would like to thank all our volunteer fire fighters for their commitment to provide our community with its emergency service needs. If you would like to volunteer at any level please contact the department at 876-9438 or 8701@bodegafire.org

Thank you,
Assistant Chief Gary Watts

Visit our Website ---www.bodegafire.org

Supporting Your Community

Providing emergency services for rural communities such as ours are a challenge, Bodega's emergency services are an all volunteer effort, funding of these vital services is through fundraising efforts and everyone's generous support. The Bodega Volunteer Fire Dept. would like to thank our wonderful community for its continued support. **We would also like to thank the following business that have supported your fire department, please support them.**

Giovanni's Italian Delicatessen - Sebastopol
Sebastopol Cinemas - Sebastopol
Benedetti Tire Service - Sebastopol
Pelican Plaza Grocery & Deli - Bodega Bay
Bodega Bay Lodge & Spa - Bodega Bay
Lucas Wharf Restaurant - Bodega Bay
The Seafood Guys (Toby Carpenter) - Bodega Bay
Spud Point Marina - Bodega Bay
Aeris- Wine Country Gases-Fred Morris - Santa Rosa
Joseph Phelps Vineyards - St. Helena
Osmosis The Enzyme Bath Spa - Freestone
Seghesio Family Vineyards - Healdsburg
Greg & Elizabeth Schimpf - The Casino - Bodega
Dave French- The 'Payback' Fishing Adventure - Bodega Bay
Quality Llama Products, Inc. - Oregon
Lagunitas Brewing Company - Petaluma
Copperfield's Books & Music - Sebastopol
Harmony Farm Supply - Sebastopol
Slice of Life - Sebastopol
Patty O'Rourke - Bodega
Union Hotel - Occidental
Oysters at the Casino - Bodega
The Dog House - Bodega Bay
Blackstone Winery - Kenwood
Mela Angelman - Bodega
Valley Ford Hotel - Valley Ford
Sonoma Coast Vineyards - Occidental
Valley Ford Market - Valley Ford
Route One Diner - Valley Ford
Chancellor Ranch - Bodega Bay
Dinucci's - Valley Ford
Mesa Beverage Co. - Santa Rosa
Sierra Nevada Brewing Company - Chico
Foster Freeze - Sebastopol

Coaches' Corner Fitness Center - Sebastopol
Papa Murphy's Take N Bake Pizza - Sebastopol
Firecrest Market - Sebastopol
Spud Point Crab Company - Bodega Bay
Bassignani Nursery - Sebastopol
Wild Oak Dairy Luther Brothers Distributing - Occidental
Northern Light Surf Shop - Bodega
Hamilton Trading Company Antiques - Bodega
Windsor Concrete & Grading - Bodega
The Boat House - Bodega Bay
Harbor View Gifts - Bodega Bay
Bodega Landmark Studio - Bodega
Wooden Duck Antiques - Bodega
California Shingle & Shake - Rohnert Park
Gourmet Au Bay - Bodega Bay
Two Rock Volunteer Fire Dept. - Two Rock
Bodega Bay Fire Protection District - Bodega Bay
Sebastopol Pet Center - Sebastopol
Country Home - Sebastopol
Mombo's Pizza - Sebastopol
Luis @ Hofland Cabinets - Bodega
Sprint Copy Center - Sebastopol
Safeway - Sebastopol
Dodrill Photography - Bodega
Dressmaker - Bodega
Diversified Trucking - Bodega
Candy & Kites - Bodega Bay
Patrick's of Bodega Bay - Bodega Bay
The Birdschool House - Bodega
Sea Gull Antiques - Bodega
Scorpios Salon - Rohnert Park
Wildflower Bread - Freestone
Gabby Girl - Valley Ford
Safeway - Petaluma

Christmas Crafts Faire -- November 23, 24 -- 9am-5pm

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