

Anacortes Assistant Chief / Paramedic John Bird Retiring



"I will be retiring from the City of Anacortes on July 1. I have had a truly blessed career. I absolutely enjoyed all the fabulous people I have worked with, and could think of nothing more rewarding than serving those in need in this amazing community. After more than 31 years, I am ready for this. I'll be treating myself to a sabbatical, including building projects and extended trips with my wife. Then, we'll see what's next. Thanks to everyone who has shared this wonderful ride with me."

Sincerely, John

"John has done a wonderful job of serving the City of Anacortes – as well as the rest of Skagit County – for the past thirty-one years. He has been a tireless advocate for providing the best fire and EMS service possible for those who call Fidalgo Island home, and his daily presence and professionalism will be missed by all."

– Laurie Gere, Anacortes Mayor

Upcoming Training & Meetings:



BLS OTEP #1
7:00pm @ Pumpkin Center



BLS OTEP #1
7:00pm @ Bayview



BLS OTEP #1
6:30pm @ Fire District #6

North Region Advanced Burn Life Support Provider Course



St. Luke's Health & Education Center in Bellingham will house this all-day, hands-on training course in advanced life saving support for burn victims on **Monday, June 22nd**. Harborview will be providing the instructors and Washington State Department of Health will be sponsoring the class with disaster preparedness grant funds. Participants receive this valuable training for **FREE!**



Course Description: This is an eight-hour course for physicians, nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, therapists, and **paramedics**. The course provides guidelines in the assessment and management of the burn patient during the first 24 hours post injury. Following a series of lectures, case studies are presented for group discussions. An opportunity to work with a simulated burn patient to reinforce the assessment, stabilization, and the American Burn Association transfer criteria to a Burn Center will be given. Final testing consists of a written exam and a practical assessment.

If you wish to attend, please e-mail Heather at heather@northregionems.com with (1) your name, (2) agency / department, (3) e-mail address, (4) contact number(s) and vocation (Dr/RN/EMS, etc.)

Fire District 13 FireWise & ESO news

On Monday, April 27th "Team 13" became the second agency in Skagit County to go live with ESO. Chief Roy Horn reports that other than a couple minor glitches, they are "off and running, and things are going well."

District 13 also invites everyone interested to attend their FireWise open house this **Saturday, May 2nd from 11am – 3pm** at 17433 Snee-Oosh Road in La Conner. A flyer outlining the activities and events is attached.



Have a safe & wonderful weekend!

FIREWISE **OPEN** **HOUSE**



WHEN
Saturday, May 2, 2015
11 am - 3 pm

WHERE
Skagit County Fire District #13
17433 Snee-Oosh Road, La Conner WA

WHAT
This Open House is a collaborative community education outreach event to raise wildfire awareness to help protect homes, neighborhoods and entire communities in addition to providing public health and safety education.

THANKS TO SPONSORS



**SWINOMISH INDIAN
TRIBAL COMMUNITY**



FREE RAFFLE

Winners announced
at 12pm and 3pm
Kids prizes!

FREE FOOD!

Hot dogs, popcorn,
and beverages will
be provided

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Child Safety House
NW Regional Council
Reverse 911

Safe Kids Coalition

Safe Routes to School

- Kids Cycling and Pedestrian Skills Clinic
- Helmet Fittings
- A.B.C. Kids bike check-up
- Mini Bike Maintenance
- Donate your outgrown or underused bike for kids!

Skagit Coalition Against
Human Trafficking

SITC Dept. Environmental
Protection

SITC Oil Spill Response

SITC Police Explorers

WA DNR Firewise

West Skagit C.E.R.T.