

SCU ~ VIP Meeting

22 August 2009

0905 Called to order by Chris Morgan FPS III

FIRE REPORTS

Fires activity in state has increased in the past month.
Current weather predictions indicate lightning headed into Northern California
Latter today engines will be moved north as preemptive move

VIP BUDGET

Still on target for budget - just do not know when we will be authorized to spend.
Will be getting SAT phone
GPS units (2)
Educational materials
Uniform items
Safety equipment
Items for tower
Items for garden

UNIT PERSONNEL CHANGES

Batt. Chief Van Wormer now Batt. 1620
Chief Marcucci now Batt. 1616

COPERNICUS TOWER

Tower staffed this weekend due to possible lightning - staffed by 2 VIP & 1 Fire-Fighter
0900 to 2000 hrs coverage
Minor maintenance on tower today
Garage roof almost done
When roof complete - SCU staff will paint garage
Trails need cleaning & trimming of branches
If lightning in area possible Monday staffing - to be advised

VIP Unit

Long time VIP Walter Borlase has succumbed to cancer.
Walter's family is donating his Ham equipment to the SCU-VIP Program
The son of VIP Joe Fedor passed away as the result of a diving incident near Santa Cruz.
We have Remembrance cards for both.
We need confirmation of your ICS qualifications - Please provide "Certs" to Chris.
We will present I-130 (Basic Firefighting), in 3 segments. VIPs will not be firefighting,
but there is a lot of nice to know information for VIPs.

HANDOUTS

#1 Fire Safety Tip - Standard Fire Orders
#2 Fire Safety Tip - Wildland/Urban interface watchouts
#3 Crossword puzzle - Different questions for same, single, answer
#4 Fire Line Safety Training "Memory Test" (10 Standard Firefighter Orders)

TRAINING

#3 Handout - a crossword puzzle as an exercise to understand how different questions can have the same answer. This training was to teach VIPs to concentrate on the question being asked and demonstrating that how answer is the same.

Media Center - Questions that could be of a political, controversial, or Cal-Fire Policy nature will be referred to the Cal-Fire Information Office in Sacramento.

There will be a complete briefing in the Media Center during at all shift changes.

VIP RECORD KEEPING

On line time card:

www.cdfscu.org/vip

Login: **scuvip**

password: **smokey**

SIX MINUTES FOR SAFETY

Proper Use of Trigger Points - proper evaluations of on going conditions to reduce injuries. Be alert of Situational Awareness.

INFORMATIONAL VIDEO

History of Wildland Fire Suppression & Safety
Fire Doctrine

ADJOURNED AT 1203 HOURS