

Cal Fire SCU-VIP Meeting Minutes – May 2015

May 16, 2015, Attendees: 12

Meeting Topics:

- Tower roof replacement is a “go”. Will start May 28 (weather permitting). Tower opening follows.
 - Cabin painting completed. University of CA replaced tank wood cover and will paint tank.
 - Tower staffing expected to be more frequent this fire season. VIPs needed!
- Fire Demo Garden, MH – Interpretive signs to be installed explaining contents.
 - \$4.8k grant money to be used to defray cost.
- Comm Van 1629 still out of service pending full inspection by CalFire Shop mechanic.
 - 1629 can be used on the compound to support ECC, if needed.
- Cal Fire Riverside Unit firefighter died during a workout.
- Gilroy fatal accident, at New and Leavesly, took 4 teens lives. Driver lived and was DUI lost control.
- *John Whiteside addressed need for more VIP’s to participate in training and other activities, including Lookout Tower and Comm Van.*
- BEU visit with CommVan 1629 dates pending confirmation of a date by BEU.
- Dilworth Elementary School, SJ - Smokey/Prevention event, Tues., 5/26, 9am – 1pm
 - VIP signups requested!

Training:

- Defensible Space Training (LE-100 forms):
 - Overhead presentation and lecture given by Pam.
 - PRC = Public Resource Code.
 - PRC-4119 – Gives the authority to inspect properties.
 - PRC-4291 – State law that applies to the inspections.
 - SB-1595 – amends PRC 4291 to apply responsibility to the resident.
 - Home Owner Assistance is available to Seniors and the Disabled.
 - Contact local Fire Safe Council or Fire Dept.
 - SCU has 4 FA inspectors this year, so more inspections will be completed.
 - VIP’s can participate if interest is shown. Contact Pam!

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