



Fire Districts

Public Meetings

Moraga-Orinda Fire District

Board of Directors
 Wednesday, Jan. 6, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 16, cancelled
 Moraga Library Community Room
 1500 St. Mary's Road, Moraga
 For meeting times and agendas,
 visit www.mofd.org

ConFire Board of Directors

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1:30 p.m.
 Board Chamber room 107,
 Administration Building,
 651 Pine St., Martinez
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 visit <http://alturl.com/5p9pu>.

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Executive Changes at MOFD and ConFire

By Nick Marnell



MOFD Director
 Steve Anderson
 Photo courtesy Moraga-Orinda
 Fire District



ConFire Deputy Chief
 Lewis Broschard
 Photo courtesy Contra Costa County
 Fire District

Director Steve Anderson could not make it to the Dec. 2 Moraga-Orinda Fire District board meeting, so he joined the proceedings via remote hookup.

"You know what happens when you don't

show up to a meeting," said Anderson. The board unanimously elected Anderson president effective Jan. 1.

"I am committed to continue to provide excellent service for our district residents and to maintain fiscal responsibility," he said later. Anderson will elaborate on the state of the district in the Dec. 30 issue of the Lamorinda Weekly.

Fire Chief Jeff Carman appointed Lewis Broschard as Deputy Chief of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District effective Dec. 1.

"We've been getting our reactive work done but not the proactive work," said Carman. Broschard will perform many of the ConFire executive level planning tasks, such as working with the nine cities that the district serves. "It's an honor to be appointed as the district's first Deputy Fire Chief," he said.

Broschard has been a member of the ConFire senior staff since 2012. "It is remarkable to see the progress we've made in such a short period of time to start the rebuilding process of the district," he said. "The projects we have recently initiated to invest in our capital needs – including purchasing new engines, ladder trucks and rescue apparatus, as well as providing facility improvements at fire station 17 and the rebuilding of fire station 16 – will directly benefit the city of Lafayette and all the communities we serve."

Carman expects to present his board a proposal for the station 16 rebuild in January. He also said that he plans to fill the assistant fire chief position that Broschard vacated, as well as hire an assistant chief to supervise the district emergency medical service operations, by the spring of next year.

Coming Soon to a Lafayette Medical Call



Beginning Jan. 1 the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District subcontracts with American Medical Response to provide emergency ambulance transport service in most of Contra Costa County. The district ambulances will be rebranded as pictured. "We started the branding in December," said fire chief Jeff Carman. "Our ambulances will say Contra Costa Fire - EMS, but state law requires that AMR

also be listed on the ambulance." The existing ambulance fleet will sport the white color scheme and as new ambulances join the fleet in 2016, they will be painted red, matching the color to be used in all district apparatus. Carman said that the reserve ambulances were painted first, and would be dispatched only in case of equipment failure prior to January. – Nick Marnell



Photos provided

Fire Station Feast for Finley



Top row, from left: Kimberly Pertel, Scott Pertel, and Aaron Brown; bottom row: Samantha Pertel, John Pertel, Finley Brown, Cooper Brown and Firefighter-paramedic Lucas Lambert
 Photo Nick Marnell

The Pertel family of Moraga, winners of the Dinner for Finley raffle conducted by the Moraga-Orinda Fire District Professional Firefighters Association, joined Finley Brown, her father and brother for the feast at fire station 44 Saturday, Dec. 11. Firefighter-paramedic Lucas Lambert organized the event after meeting Finley, a cancer patient, at the Moraga Pear Festival in September. The raffle proceeds will pay for a trip to Disneyland Park for the Brown family after Finley completes her chemotherapy treatments this month.

"I was doing my food shopping and in came a call I didn't recognize. It was Lucas, who told me that we had won the raffle," said Kimberly Pertel. "It was so great, because our kids and the Browns are all school buddies."

Lambert said the association hoped to raise \$1,500 in contributions for the family. The final total exceeded \$3,400. – Nick Marnell

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