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MOFD honored by Bay Area Red Cross



MOFD's Kathy Leonard and Dennis Rein Photo courtesy MOFD

By Nick Marnell

With all of the media coverage of the potential for wildfires, at least one organization wants to remind residents that fires can also ignite inside the home, and urges preparation on that level as well.

The American Red Cross recognized the Moraga-Orinda Fire District for its efforts in educating the public about home fire safety as the organization kicked off its Sound the Alarm campaign, which will attempt to install smoke alarms for those who cannot afford them or are physically unable to install them. Fire Marshal Kathy Leonard and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Dennis

Rein accepted the award for the district.

"We wanted to honor the nine Contra Costa County fire districts for what they do – including little things like educating the public on the installation of fire alarms," said Bay Area Red Cross board member Briana Taylor.

"We have had two fire fatalities in the last two years and neither home had a functioning fire alarm," Leonard said. "It's super important to have a working fire alarm for the early detection of a fire – especially with how fast interior fires burn."

Taylor bemoaned the fact that it sometimes takes major news stories to remind people of the impor-

importance of fire prevention. "It's when tragedies like these happen that people will install an alarm," she said. "A fire alarm saved the life of a man in Santa Rosa. It woke him up and he was able to escape his burning mobile home."

And that prompted Taylor to also stress the importance of creating a fire escape plan. "A smoke alarm is great, but you've got to be able to get out," she said.

To qualify for a free smoke alarm, sign up at the American Red Cross website to request a visit from the Home Fire Preparedness team, who will provide fire safety information and free smoke alarms. "Call us and we'll come out and put them in," Taylor said.

McAlister appointed ConFire deputy fire chief



Photo courtesy ConFire
Aaron McAlister

By Nick Marnell

When former Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Chief Jeff Carman departed in March, he praised his relationship with Deputy Chief Lewis Broschard, who succeeded Carman as fire chief. "I hope he gets a deputy chief that he can count on as much as I have," Carman said at his retirement ceremony.

Broschard did not waste any time, as ConFire announced the May 1 appointment of Assistant Fire Chief

Aaron McAlister as the district deputy fire chief. In his new role, McAlister will supervise the operations of the 400-employee fire organization, reporting directly to Broschard.

"I'm honored to be selected for this incredible and challenging leadership position for one of the busiest fire districts in the state," McAlister said in a statement. "While we have accomplished much for the citizens we serve in recent years, significant challenges remain and I look forward to

working with our team and community leaders to ensure we continue to deliver the very best emergency services anywhere."

"Chief McAlister has more than demonstrated his potential for the challenges of this leadership role since joining the district as assistant chief of support services in 2016. I look forward to his continued contributions as deputy chief," added Broschard.

According to the district, McAlister is a certified and qualified Type 3 incident commander and was recently appointed as an incident commander for the East Bay Incident Management Team, serving Contra Costa and Alameda counties. He is the alternate California Office of Emergency Services, Region II mutual aid coordinator, as well as the alternate

operational area coordinator for Contra Costa County.

"With Fire Station 16, we are in the home stretch," said McAlister, speaking to Lafayette residents. "Landscaping, paving and some tile work remain to be done, and we hope to occupy in early June."

The deputy chief stressed that Lafayette has the potential for a major wildfire disaster, which is why the district has invested in Fire Station 16 and the early staffing of Engine Company 16 prior to the opening of the new building. He urged Lafayette residents to do their part and to sign up for the Contra Costa County Community Warning System, and to maintain defensible space around their homes.

"Give us a chance to save your property," McAlister said.

Fire District Public Meetings

Moraga-Orinda Fire District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, May 15, 7 p.m.
 Go to the website for meeting location, times and agendas.
 Visit www.mofd.org



ConFire

Board of Directors
 Tuesday, May 21, 1:30 p.m.
 Board Chamber Room 107,
 Administration Building
 651 Pine St., Martinez.
 For meeting times and agendas, visit www.cccfpd.org



Public Safety

Emergency response:
 Emergency: 24 Hours 911
 Police Dispatch: 24 Hours
 925-284-5010

Nixle: Text your zip code to 888777 or go to www.nixle.com

Lafayette Police Department:

3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
 925-283-3680
 Chief of Police, Ben Alldritt
 925-299-3221
 Police Department Tip Line
 94549Tip@gmail.com
 Police Department Traffic Issues
 94549Traffic@gmail.com

Moraga Police Department:

329 Rheem Blvd.,
 925-888-7055
 Chief of Police, Jon King
 ext. 7049

Orinda Police Department:

22 Orinda Way
 925-254-6820
 Chief of Police, Mark Nagel
 925-254-6820
Orindatip@cityoforinda.org

Lafayette Police Department

Incident Summary Report
April 21 - May 4

Alarms	68
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	13
Traffic	159
Suspicious Circumstances	10
Suspicious Subject	30
Suspicious Vehicle	28
Service to Citizen	55
Patrol Req./Security Check	38
Vacation House Check	25
Supplemental Report	24
Welfare Check	23
Vehicle violations	
Auto Burglary	
4000 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Hit And Run Misdemeanor	
3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.	
Brook St./Hough Ave.	
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Moraga Rd.	
Reckless Driving	
Mt. Diablo Blvd./Willow Dr.	
Moraga Rd./Rimrock Rd.	
Pleasant Hill Rd./Acalanes Ave.	
Rimrock Rd./Moraga Rd.	
1St St./Golden Gate Wy	

Oak Hill Rd./Eb Sr 24
 Stolen Vehicle Recovery
 20 Block Camino Ct.

Other criminal activity

Commercial Burglary
 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Fraud False Pretenses
 4000 Block Woodside Ct.
 800 Block Avalon Ct.
 800 Block Oak St.

Grand Theft
 Police Department
 4100 Block Happy Valley Rd.
 1100 Block Brown Ave.

Identity Theft
 600 Block St. George Rd., Dan

Misc Burglary
 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (3)

Petty Theft
 3400 Block School St.
 10 Block Diablo Cr.

Robbery Armed
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Shoplift
 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (3)
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Nuisance to the Community

Disturbance-Domestic
 3600 Block Happy Valley Rd.

Drunk In Public
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (4)

Harassment
 3300 Block Orchard Valley Ln.
 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Loud Music
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)

Loud Party
 600 Block Huntleigh Dr. (2)
 Camino Vallecito/Vallecito Ct.
 1000 Block Carol Ln.

Phone Harass
 1000 Block Upper Happy Valley Rd.

Public Assembly Check
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)

Public Nuisance
 Ameno Dr./Pleasant Hill Rd.
 1000 Block Dewing Ave. (3)
 3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)

School Assembly Check
 1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd. (8)
 500 Block Merriewood (4)
 900 Block Moraga Rd. (2)
 3800 Block Happy Valley Rd. (2)
 900 Block Risa Rd.

Vandalism
 3300 Block Springhill Rd.
 4100 Block Los Arabis Dr.
 1000 Block Leland Dr.

Other

Animal Cruelty
 3300 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
 3500 Block Moraga Blvd.

H&S Violation
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Neighbor Dispute
 500 Block Michael Ln.

Panhandling
 Mt. Diablo Blvd./Oak Hill Rd.

Prom Shoot
 10 Block Springhill Ln.
 Springhill Ln./Springhill Rd. (2)

Threats
 1000 Block Carol Ln.
 600 Block Los Palos Dr.
 1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.
 3500 Block Plaza Wy

Trespass
 1000 Block Sierra Vista Way
 3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
 1000 Block 2Nd St.

Unwanted Guest
 3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)

Moraga Police Department Incident Summary Report

April 23 - May 5

Alarms 12
 911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 9
 Traffic 64
 Suspicious Circumstances 16
 Suspicious Subject 3
 Suspicious Vehicle 6
 Service to Citizen 41
 Patrol Req./Security Check 28
 Supplemental Report 28
 Vacation House Check 7
 Welfare Check 4

Vehicle violations

Auto Burglary
 1400 Block Camino Peral
 90 Block Miramonte Dr.

DUI Misdemeanor
 Ascot Dr./Moraga Rd.
 600 Block Moraga Rd.
 10 Block Calvin Ct.

Excessive Speed
 Moraga Rd./Lucas Dr. (3)
 Moraga Rd./Corliss Dr.
 Moraga Commons Park (4)
 Camino Pablo Canyon Rd
 St. Marys Rd./Moraga Rd
 600 Block Moraga Rd.
 Larch Ave/Wandel Dr
 Moraga Rd./Corliss Dr. (7)
 Moraga Rd./Ascot Dr. (2)
 Moraga Way/Country Club Dr.
 Not Available
 700 Block Moraga Rd. (2)
 Devon Dr./Moraga Rd.

Exhibition Of Speed
 1000 Block Larch Ave.

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
 Police Department
 Campolindo High School

Reckless Driving
 Calle La Mesa/Paseo Del Rio
 Corliss Dr./Camino Ricardo
 St. Marys College
 Moraga Rd./St Marys Rd.

Tc - Property Damage
 Campolindo High School
 Rheem Theater

Vehicle Theft
 20 Block Hour Fitness

Other criminal activity
 Battery Sexual
 Campolindo High School

Burglary
 20 Block Hour Fitness

Identity Theft
 Police Department (2)

Residential Burglary
 200 Block Paseo Bernal

Nuisance to the Community
 Disturbing The Peace
 Moraga Commons Par
 Indecent Exposure
 1800 Block Camino Pablo

Loud Music
 200 Block Paseo Bernal

Loud Party
 1900 Block Ascot Dr.
 Bollinger Canyon Rd./St. Marys Rd.

Public Nuisance
 Blaine Cir./Brookfield Dr.

Other
 Mentally Ill Commit
 St. Marys College

Neighbor Dispute
 1900 Block Ascot Dr.

Phone Harass
 400 Block Fernwood Dr.

Prom Shoot
 300 Block Birchwood Dr.
 1500 Block St Marys Rd.

Suicide Attempt
 300 Block Tharp Dr.

Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report

April 21 - May 4

Alarms 62
 911 Calls (includes hang-ups) 8
 Traffic 58
 Suspicious Circumstances 4
 Suspicious Subject 8
 Suspicious Vehicle 12
 Service to Citizen 55
 Patrol Req./Security Check 15
 Vacation House Check 2
 Supplemental Report 12
 Welfare Check 3

Vehicle violations

Accident Injury
 Camino Sobrante/El Ribero

Dui Misd
 Moraga Way/Camino Pablo

Hit And Run Misdemeanor
 Glorietta Elementary School

Reckless Driving
 Camino Pablo/Bear Creek Rd.
 Police Department
 Wagner Ranch Elementary
 San Pablo Creek/Orinda Way
 Camino Pablo/Orinda Way
 Moraga Way/Ivy Dr.

Other criminal activity
 Fraud False Pretenses
 20 Block Irwin Way

Grand Theft
 600 Block Tahos Rd.

Identity Theft
 10 Block Snowberry Ct.
 10 Block Highland Ct.

Petty Theft
 50 Block Las Cascadas Rd.

Robbery
 2400 Block Stockridge, Oakland

Shoplift
 CVS

Warrant Arrest
 Camino Pablo/Brookwood Rd.
 Chevron

Nuisance to the Community

Barking Dog
 100 Block Leslee Ln. (2)

Disturbing The Peace
 10 Block Valley Ct.
 Village Square Shopping Center

Loud Noise
 200 Block Orchard Rd.
 10 Block Totterdell Ct.

Loud Party
 300 Block Camino Sobrante

Public Assembly Check
 20 Block Orinda Way
 20 Block Orinda Way
 10 Block Camino Sobrante

School Assembly Check
 Miramonte High School (3)

Other
 Accident Property
 100 Block Ivy Dr.
 CVS
 Miramonte High School
 Altamont Dr./Moraga Way
 Santa Maria Way/Orinda Way
 Moraga Way/Glorietta Blvd.

Impersonation
 Wb Sr 24 At Fish Ranch Rd.

Ordinance Violation
 10 Block Spring Rd.

Other Felony
 10 Block Sycamore Rd.

Prom Shoot
 700 Block Miner Rd.

Threats
 20 Block Eastwood Dr.

Unauthorized Possession
 Chevron