

Nye County Emergency Services

OPERATION “DOMESTIC TERROR”

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Operation
Domestic Terror

On May 17th Operation Domestic Terror took place in the town of Beatty, NV. The goal of this training exercise was to improve the operational readiness of the participating organizations while dealing with a terrorist induced hazardous material incident. The Objective was to exercise the Incident Command System (ICS) in a local emergency field response environment. The following Nye County agencies were participating:

Emergency Services, Sheriff's Department, Southern HAZMAT team, Beatty Volunteer FD, and Amargosa Valley Volunteer FD.



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OPERATION DOMESTIC TERROR CONT'D



FROM TONOPAH FD

I am working on getting together a training interest list for a Wildland Fire-fighter I & II Course. I do not have a firm date at this point but in order for us to be considered we need to provide a minimum of 15 solid students that can attend 2 weekends of class

room and field training. This is a BLM Ready Reserve Funded course. I took the rollout presentation of this course at the University of Reno Fire Science Academy and enjoyed the refresher. For further details or if you would like to enter your desire to take this course. Please send me an

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6298

Thank you,
Rob Elliott
Fire Chief, Tonopah FD



AMBULANCE COORDINATOR PATTY WINTERS REPORTS

Tonopah's Class is finished, and what a huge success! Nine students tested with the registry, seven have passed and are many of them are on the schedule and running. Welcome aboard!

As many of you know Beatty has been the focus this summer. Larrikin Seeley has left Beatty and we wish her well, she will be greatly missed. Hal Waltz has been named as coordinator for the Beatty ambulance. He faces some tough times ahead, as Larrikin is not the only member who has pursued a new path. Beatty currently is in a staffing crisis, and sadly there will be changes to their operations. One ambulance will be removed from Beatty and we anticipate that this service will be reduced to a BLS service at the end of August.

A First Responder class was held in Beatty and five new First Responders join our flock. Two of these students will join the Beatty Ambulance Service. Congrats to each, and welcome.



Congratulations to Richard (Beatty), David(Amargosa), Wayne (Beatty), Ricardo and April (Tonopah)



Thanks to a grant from the Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety each primary ambulance now has a Motorola lap top computer.

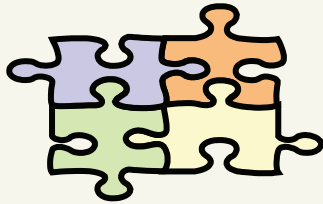
These computers will facilitate our reporting requirement while "on the move". This ability will mean less time spent "back at the barn" finishing our report, more accurate reporting, and timelier billing. We still have some kinks to work out with wireless internet, but very soon all services will be able report, scan pertinent information, capture a signature, and link to the state webcur. This is a very exciting time!



WORKPLACE SAFETY & TRAINING OFFICER VANCE PAYNE REPORTS

Putting the Safety Puzzle Together!

By Vance Payne,
*Workplace Safety & Training
Officer*



We hear the safety mantra all the time. "If you don't have a safe workplace, you risk slips, trips, falls, and falling objects". And, in Nye County we enjoy a statistically safe workplace. Everyone does a good job "keepin' it safe".

Now here are some interesting numbers. About 100,000 people were injured using hand and power saws last year and went to the emergency room. About 43,000 people were injured and sought help after using a HAMMER! 18,000 injured by power grinders,

buffers, or polishers. 17,000 injured by power drills. And, nearly 7,000 injured while welding. These are just the reported injuries. There were thousands more that were unreported. Now for the rest of the story. These incidents happened at home. Not the workplace.



The same thinking and personal protective equipment that is used at work will prevent injuries at home. Safety glasses, hearing protection, gloves, shoes, and other project specific safety gear will end this needless suffering. We can use the situational awareness training acquired at work and apply it to home. Look at your project and identify potential hazards just like at work and you will mitigate hazards be

fore they become injuries.

Did you know that over 4500 people are injured annually in the kitchen? Most often because there is not a working fire extinguisher or proper oven mitt. Incredibly, nearly 5 million people are injured in their own bathrooms. Most from falls or scalds. Slip proof surfaces and sturdy grab bars would significantly lower these numbers.

Let's not forget our kids and making our homes as safe as possible. Injuries in the home are one of the top reasons for children under four to taken to the emergency room. Supervision is always the best way to prevent injuries, in the home and out. However, a view of our homes from our hands and knees can quickly identify areas that need childproofing. Easy access to chemicals, potential fall hazards, reachable appliances that can burn, and water sources a child could drown in.

Keep the following near the phone:

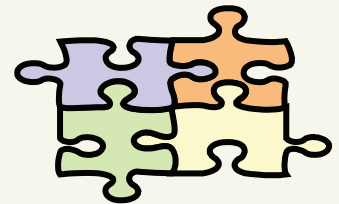
- *Doctor's name and number,
- *Poison Control number: (1-800-222-1222),
- *parent's contact numbers, and
- *neighbor or nearby relatives numbers.

All of this helps create an umbrella of protection. Using situational awareness learned at work, to protect ourselves and those we love at home.

Hope to see you soon.

Be well and be safe,

Vance



FIRE FIGHTER I



VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR JIM MEDICI REPORTS

Hello All,

I am pleased to inform all that the Nye County Fire Departments have a bright future on the horizon.

The Firefighter I class of 2008 is going to graduate 10. This certification will be a State Fire Marshal Certified Firefighter I Certificate and is meeting the requirements of NFPA 1001 Standard for Firefighter Professional Qualifications. This is a great accomplishment and an affirmation of dedication and commitment. The students in this class will have completed 130 hours of classroom training and has completed Sixty Four specific tasks, in addition to Advanced Auto Extrication, two Live Fire Exercises, Flammable gas training and HAZMAT Technician level training. We should all be proud of these dedicated Brothers, Sisters, Husbands, Wives, Sons and Daughters, they exemplify the spirit of Volunteerism in Nye County. I am proud of the students and the Instructors, many giving time to the class to ensure these Students receive the most from the time allotted for training. I would like to offer a big THANK YOU to all involved; Well done students! Jay, Jason, Larry, Vern, Lon, Trevor, Qiana, Mike, Jimmy, and Shaun. You have been very attentive, even when it was sooo HOT outside. Thank you instructors! Kevin, Keith, Rodd, Jack, Karl, and Martha for your patience and enthusiasm and for imparting invaluable knowledge to these impressive individuals and ensuring their Safety.

The goal of this class was to produce SAFE and KNOWLEDGE-ABLE Firefighters for the communities of Amargosa, Beatty, Crystal, and Station 51, and I believe that this has been achieved.

I would also like to thank all the Fire Chiefs in Nye County for attending the first of many meetings as a group. We discussed training standards, a more unified County and the challenges of managing a Fire Department in the present. Many issues were brought forth and we are going to strive to move forward in today's era of mandatory State, and Federal regulations and requirements. Bringing the Nye County Fire Departments into the Twenty First Century is my personal goal and working together we can make this happen. If we strive for Excellence and Professionalism as Chief's we will attract Citizens who will want to be a part of our Professional departments. Professional does not mean Paid; it is the attitude and manner of conducting ourselves, as the Hometown Heroes you all are.

Thanks again to all for all of the help in the past five months, and please feel free to contact me with any concern regarding our Fire Departments.

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Southern HAZMAT Team
Training Schedule:
*All of the following trainings
take place @ Station 51 @
1800 hrs.*

August 12:
Leak Response Drill
August 26:
HAZMAT Refresher

September 16:
Mass Casualty Decon Line
Drill
September 30:
First Responder Refresher

October 14:
HAZCAT Drill
October 28:
Emergency Vehicle
Operation

TIM MCCARTY—ANIMAL CONTROL, REPORTING:

From The World of Animal Control



It's The Law

Why Should You License Your Dog?

Licensing your dog is an important way to show you care for your pet. Dogs which are licensed are guaranteed to be free of rabies. Additionally, your dog's license number allows you to be identified and notified if your dog should stray and be picked up by Animal Control Officers. Licensed dogs are held longer in the Animal Shelter if they are picked up stray. By licensing your dog on time, you pay the lowest possible licensing fees, and avoid potential fines for failing to license your dog. Finally, you should license your dog because it is the law.

Remember - A License tag on your dog will:

Help get it home safely, if lost.
Reduce the chance of theft.
Show that your dog is vaccinated against rabies.
Spare you from a \$187 violation.



Nye County Delivers a Fire Engine

The Town of Goldfield reached out to Nye County this past winter and Nye County answered their call!

Goldfield Fire Chief, Steve Baird had called Nye County Emergency Services desperately looking for a fire engine that worked. Their only working fire engine had failed to pass its required annual pump test and the Department could not afford the cost of a new pump. Emergency Services just happened to have a 1988 Ford/FMC F800 fire engine sitting unused in its fleet. This engine was being considered for auction so, Goldfield's plea was communicated to the Nye County Commissioners. At their next scheduled meeting, the Commissioners voted unanimously to come to our neighbor's aid and ordered the fire engine signed over to the Goldfield Fire Department. In May of this year, Emergency Services delivered this fire engine to the grateful Chief and his firefighters. Missy Molt, Emergency Services – Administrative secretary, had the honor of presenting the keys and paperwork for their "new/old" engine. It was an emotional delivery. Several of the Town's firefighters showed up and were visibly excited while looking the engine over. As we left town, the grateful firefighters were driving the engine through Goldfield, showing off their new machine with smiles from ear to ear. So, next time you drive through Goldfield, you can feel a little safer. And, more proud of Nye County. A place where "neighbors" still mean something!



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A W O R D F R O M B R E N T J O N E S – D I R E C T O R

As I took my son to school this morning I tried to remember where the summer had gone. The fast and furious pace of what we do throughout the County on a daily basis seems to never let up. Once again I humbly thank all of the volunteers who answer the call on a daily basis! The facts throughout the nation are very clear if you read the latest periodicals, that volunteerism is a dying culture within the emergency response services. The challenges within Nye County are even more complex due to the amount of square miles that we are tasked to cover, and the lack of populous to draw volunteers from. What the Nye County Volunteer services continue to do on a daily basis is remarkable, and we must all work together to do whatever necessary to keep our volunteer Fire, EMS and HAZMAT departments working effectively.

Well it is football season already, the Summer Olympics have come and gone, but you can rest assured that the dedicated volunteers that live in Nye County will be there to answer the call for help, anytime, anywhere, and whatever the circumstances that may exist. Thanks to everyone who dedicates their lives serving the community that they live in. Each one you demonstrate the true American Spirit and Pride that makes the County great!

Brent Jones

**Aerial View of Emergency
Services—Pahrump**

