JoCo aims to be ready for disaster

The magnitude of the Biscuit Fire of 2002 subjected local government officials to challenges that few of them had the training and experience for, said Josephine County Sheriff's Office (JCSO).

On Tuesday, June 29, Josephine County commissioners, county department heads and other local officials were trained in managing a local disaster response.

Experts from the U.S. Forest Service, Oregon Dept. of Forestry and Rural/Metro Fire Dept. introduced the trainees to the internationally utilized Incident Command System (ICS) and the MultiAgency Coordination Group (MAC).

The ICS and MAC are the accepted standard response systems for managing all types of incidents and events from wildland fires and earthquakes to large public events and celebrations, said JCSO.

The all-day training included lectures in the morning, followed by disaster scenarios in the afternoon. Training was conducted at the Interagency Fire Center, 657 Flaming Road, near the Merlin Airport in Grants Pass.

"I think we can all agree that the Biscuit Fire was a great learning experience," said Sara Nicholson, Josephine County emergency manager. "This training helped identify and educate key personnel to be part of the MAC group, and is vital to ensure a smooth running **Emergency** Operations Center in the event of a disaster."

When you talk, you repeat what you already know. When you listen, you often



TOE-TAPPIN' - 'Sequoia' with Dale Hopper performed for the I.V. Chamber Concerts in the Park series on Thursday, June 24 in Jubilee Park in Cave Junction. The program for Thursday, July 1 will be Gospel Rock by 'Common Ground' from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Those performing were (from left) Willy Warwick, Hopper, Debbie Brinkheroff, Owen Johnston and Al Brinkerhoff. About 90 people attended.



I.V. Volunteer Firefighters to the Rescue

100 block Iron Way.

17000 block Hwy. 199.

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100 block S. Hwy. 199.

shore Drive.

*7:37 p.m., medical aid,

*8:08 a.m., smoke inves-

*10:28 a.m., medical aid,

*4:13 p.m., medical aid,

*4:20 p.m., MVA, Hwy.

*4:55 p.m., open burn,

*6:34 p.m., structure fire,

*6:41 p.m., medical aid,

*8:33 p.m., medical aid,

*8:44 p.m., medical aid,

*11:10 p.m., smoke in-

*12:02 a.m., fireworks

*12:58 a.m., medical aid,

*1:23 a.m., medical aid.

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Sunday, June 20

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Redwood Hwy./Hamilton

600 block Lone Mountain

8600 block Takilma Road.

Redwood Hwy./Hamilton.

500 block Schumacher Street.

Saturday, June 19

tigation, 1000 block Lake-

Monday, June 14

*10:15 a.m., districtwide medical standby for American Medical Response.

*2:18 p.m., medical aid, 400 block Raintree Drive.

*2:33 p.m., medical aid, 6000 block Upper Deer Creek Road.

*2:40 p.m., open burn, Jubilee Park.

*4:22 p.m., smoke investigation, 100 block S. Redwood Hwy.

Tuesday, June 15

*7:55 p.m., brush fire, 25000 block Redwood Hwy. *10:16 p.m., medical aid,

36000 block Hwy. 199. Wednesday, June 16

*7:35 a.m., motor vehicle accident (MVA), 2500 block Chapman Creek Road. *8:42 a.m., medical aid,

9300 block Caves Hwy. *10:18 a.m., medical aid,

1400 block Rockydale Road. *2:58 p.m., MVA, 3200 block Lakeshore Drive.

*3:18 p.m., MVA, Redwood Hwy. milepost 23.

*5:43 p.m., medical aid, 500 block Schumacher Street. *6:59 p.m., trash fire, N. Redwood Hwy./Lister Street. Thursday, June 17

*8:05 a.m., medical aid, 2200 block Laurel Road. *8:06 a.m., districtwide medical standby.

*10:19 a.m., MVA, Red-

medical standby. Wednesday, June 23 *4:55 p.m., medical aid, *12:16 a.m., illegal open 300 block Caves Hwy.

burn, 400 block Old Stage *5:44 p.m., medical aid, Road. *5:55 p.m., medical aid,

*1:49 a.m., MVA, 25000 block Redwood Hwy. *12:10 p.m., medical aid,

300 block Caves Hwy. *3:05 p.m., medical aid,

500 block Schumacher Street. *4:48 p.m., medical aid, 600 block Fredrick Court.

*5:51 p.m., power line problems, Takilma Road/ Dick George Road.

Thursday, June 24 *8:38 a.m., districtwide

medical standby. *10:45 a.m., districtwide medical standby.

*1:42 p.m., medical aid, 600 block Junction Avenue. *5:31 p.m., medical aid,

18000 block Hwy. 199. *9:23 p.m., public aid, Draper Valley Road. *10:53 p.m., MVA, 3200 block Holland Loop Road.

Alcohol = collision vision

Alcohol is involved in approximately 40 percent of the traffic collisions in which someone dies, according to Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicle Services (DMV).

"If you drink alcohol," said DMV, "even a little, your changes of being in a traffic collision are much greater than if you drank no alcohol. No one can drink alcohol and drive safely - even those who have been driving for many years.

"The chance of being responsible for a fatal collision increases sharply as your blood alcohol level rises," said DMV.

Report intoxicated drivers anywhere in Oregon by phoning (800) 24DRUNK (243-7865).





592-4222 or 592-2892 126 S. Redwood Hwy., CJ



learn something. - Jared Sparks -

Courage is the power to let go of the familiar. - Raymond Lindquist -

Minds are like parachutes. They only function when open. - Thomas Dewar -

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wood Hwy. milepost 33. *2:38 p.m., public aid, 1800 block Laurel Road. *6:33 p.m., medical aid, 500 block Schumacher Street. *8:37 p.m., smoke investigation, W. River Street/ Daisy Hill Road. *9:06 p.m., medical aid, 500 block Schumacher Street.

Friday, June 18 *10:24 a.m., medical aid,

Gave Bear Pawr

Oper House

Western Plaza parking lot

35000 block Hwy. 199. *11:18 a.m., medical aid, 1300 block Caves Hwy. *9:12 p.m., medical aid, 300 block June Drive. Monday, June 21 *3:18 p.m., districtwide medical standby. *9:42 p.m., grass fire,

100 block Hogue Drive. Tuesday, June 22 *9:22 a.m., districtwide

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