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First Annual WSCFF Media Awards!

Come one, come all – put your new found video skills into practice! Win prizes. Get some laughs. Gain the admiration of your friends and fellows.

Top three winners will be announced at the Ed Seminar in Spokane. First place wins a new banner for your local. Top three win a tripod and microphone for use in your future PR adventures.

Here's how to enter:

Create a video based on one of the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ). Videos should be 1 to 3 minutes in length. Scripts have been developed for 3 questions. You may use a script – feel free to alter it to fit your local. Or you may create your own script to illustrate one of these messages. (The FAQ's and example scripts are posted on the WSCFF website, www.wscff.org.)

The PR trainings revealed many clever individuals in our membership. The staff was impressed by the creativity demonstrated during the video-creating segment of the PR trainings. Don't let all that talent go unused. Your entry may be posted on the new website.

Email your entry to therese@wscff.org. She will upload it to our new WSCFF YouTube Channel. Deadline for submission is the end of day April 12, 2016.

Remember these tips from the PR training sessions:

- ◆ Map out your message and film a brief video for each segment.
- ◆ If you're using a phone, film on the wide side.
- ◆ A little movement is good, a lot of panning and zooming in and out is not.
- ◆ Speak clearly and loudly.
- ◆ Utilize the editing tools, graphics, and music from free movie making apps.
- ◆ Most important, comply with your department's regulations and rules.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Therese in the council office. Or refer to the council website. This next phase of our PR campaign is very important in informing members and gaining momentum! Thank you for participating!

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WSCFF 77th Annual Convention
June 28 –30, 2016
Vancouver Hilton, Vancouver, Washington

The WSCFF 77th Annual Convention will be hosted by Locals 452 Vancouver, 1805 Clark County District 6, 2444 East Clark, and 4378 Vancouver Fire Command Officers. The Call to Convention was mailed to all locals on March 31, 2016. Please contact the council office if your local did not receive its registration packet.

Convention information is posted on the WSCFF website, www.wscff.org. Please note: the registration form, local roster, and credentials cannot be downloaded. Please return the originals found in your packet. Registration fees need to be paid by check.

- ◆ Send Early Resolutions by May 14, 2016.
- ◆ Mail Registrations and Credentials by May 28, 2016 to avoid a \$50 late registration fee per attendee.

**Please remember that per capita must be paid through May 2016
in order for your local to be seated at convention.**

**There is still room available if you would like to register for the
Young Fire Fighters Conference or Fire Ops 101!**

May 5 & 6, 2016 ~ Fire Ops 101, Volpentest Hammer Federal Training Facility. There is a block of rooms reserved at the Red Lion Hotel– Richland Hanford House for the night of May 5, 2016. Contact Debbie Guillot, Debbie@wscff.org or 800-572-5762, for information and registration.

May 10-12, 2016 ~ Young Fire Fighters Conference being held at the Red Lion Columbia Center in Kennewick. To reserve rooms, please call 800-733-5466 by April 10, 2016, and request a room in the “block” using event code IAFF0517. Contact Kelly Fox, kfox@iaff.org or 360-791-6201, for information.

Calendar of Events

	APRIL
18 & 22	WSCFF Executive Board Meeting, Spokane Doubletree
19-21	WSCFF/IAFF Jointly-Sponsored Educational Seminar, Spokane Doubletree
	MAY
5-6	Fire Ops 101, Volpentest Hammer Federal Training Facility
10-12	Young Fire Fighter Conference, Red Lion Columbia Center
30	WSCFF Office Closed for Memorial Day
	JUNE
27	WSCFF Executive Board Meeting, Vancouver Hilton
28-30	WSCFF 77th Annual Convention, Vancouver Hilton



Operation Warm Wraps Up in Washington!

Thanks to 27 locals, some 4,680 USA-made coats were distributed to children across Washington State this winter. Together with KISW 99.9 FM, you raised \$159,120 to support this worthy work! Although April is in the air and Spring is upon us, it's never too early to start planning for next winter. If your local is interested in participating in this project, contact laura@operationwarm.org.



A big thank you to the following locals who gave coats and smiles to these precious children!

0031 Tacoma
0106 Bellingham/Whatcom County
0437 Bremerton
0452 Vancouver
0726 Pierce County Professional FF
0828 Longview
1052 Richland
1296 Kennewick
1352 Valley Regional Fire Authority
1433 Pasco
1488 West Pierce
1828 Snohomish County Fire District 1
1983 Mount Vernon

2024 South King County
2052 Moses Lake
2088 Tukwila
2299 Clarkston
2409 Tumwater
2459 North Shore
2829 Redmond
3219 Marysville
3520 East Pierce Professional FF
3829 Dupont
3876 North Mason
3931 Enumclaw
4111 Burlington
4156 Professional FF of Clark County

The Firefighter Cancer Support Network Needs Your Donations

At the WSCFF's 2015 Annual Convention, a resolution was passed that encourages member locals to commit to giving one dollar per member per year to the Washington Chapter of the national Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FCSN) to help pay operational costs.

Please be proactive in supporting this valuable program. It does imperative work for all fire service members and their families in the event of a cancer diagnosis. Send donations to the council office. Make checks out to WSCFF with FCSN in the memo line. Thank you!

CURRENT CONTRACTS

Per Resolution 03-22, the following is a list of WSCFF affiliate locals that do not have current contracts on file. If your local is on this list and you have a current contract, please send us your updated information. You may do this via email or regular mail lisa@wscff.org or 1069 Adams Street SE, Olympia, WA 98501.

This list will be updated in every Council Connection per the resolution. Please let us know if your records differ from ours.

Note: Please remember to send in your new contract if your last one we have on file is expired.

Local	Local Name	Exp	Local	Local Name	Exp
0027	SEATTLE	2014	2876	SOUTH KITSAP DIST 7	2010
0029	SPOKANE	2015	2898	SEATTLE FIRE CHIEFS	2015
0046	EVERETT	2014	2903	LACEY	2015
0404	WALLA WALLA	2015	3427	SKAGIT CO. PARAMEDICS	2015
0437	BREMERTON	2015	3542	SUNNYSIDE	2013
0451	CENTRALIA	2013	3628	YELM FF'S	2015
0453	WENATCHEE	2013	3674	CLARK CO. #11	2015
0469	YAKIMA	2013	3701	SPOKANE VALLEY CHIEFS	2015
0656	PORT ANGELES	2010	3711	SPOKANE CO. 8	2015
0864	RENTON	2015	3680	UNION GAP	2014
1352	VRFA	2015	3728	ARLINGTON	2013
1433	PASCO	2015	3740	SKYWAY FF'S	2015
1604	BELLEVUE	2015	3835	CHELAN CO. 1	2015
1758	ELLENSBURG	2014	4075	GRAYS HARBOR	2012
1810	NORTH HIGHLINE	2014	4111	BURLINGTON	2015
1892	PULLMAN	2015	4118	NORTH CO. PROF. FF'S	2015
1919	CHENEY	2015	4156	PROF FF'S OF CLARK CO 3	2014
2024	SO. KING CO. PRO FF'S	2015	4197	DOUGLAS COUNTY #2	2011
2109	OCEAN SHORES	2014	4203	COLLEGE PLACE	2012
2299	CLARKSTON	2014	4299	CENTRAL WHIDBEY ISLAND	2012
2328	TOPPENISH	2013	4378	VANCOUVER FIRE COMMAND	2013
2545	KIRKLAND	2010	4440	MCNIEL ISLAND	
2595	KING CO MEDICS	2014	4447	COWLITZ CO. 5	
2597	SNOHOMISH CO. AIRPORT	2014	4459	ORTING	
2639	ABERDEEN	2015	4863	LEWIS CO. FF'S	
2694	SNOHOMISH CO. 4	2014	4965	TRI-COUNTY FF'S	
2781	SNOHOMISH CO. UNION FF'S	2015	F-282	PUGET SOUND FED. FF'S	
2776	RAYMOND	2013	F-283	FORT LEWIS FIRE FIGHTERS	2012
2819	PROF FF'S OF KITSAP CO.	2015	F-304	US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	
2829	REDMOND	2015			



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