



Community Calendar:

May 12

Mother's Day

May 13

First Aid/CPR/AED Class

May 29

Memorial Day

June 18

Father's Day

July 6—9

Philomath Frolic & Rodeo

July 15

First Aid/CPR/AED Class



A word from the Chief

We here at Philomath Fire and Rescue are excited about the progress of the construction project at our main station. The west end of the building is almost done and will provide 8 new dorm rooms with amenities and will feature energy saving upgrades. The residence will house our paid and volunteer firefighters. Move in date for this phase of the project is May 1st and it looks like we are right on schedule. The cost of this phase of the construction will be about \$650,000. These funds will come out the \$3.5 million bond that was approved last May by the voters.

The next phase of construction, which will start in May, will be the addition of a commercial kitchen and day room. This will smooth out the front of the building on the west side and provide a place to prepare food and living space for the firefighters. Phase 3 will also remodel the current office area on the east end of the building providing much needed office space for the officers, conference rooms, and a large meeting area upstairs. This final phase will cost the taxpayers an estimated \$350,000, which will also be funded by the bond.

We are planning for many events this fall including a



ribbon cutting, push-in ceremony for the new fire trucks, and our Open House in October. We would love for everyone attend these events to christen the new building remodel and new trucks. This is our way of saying thank you for voting for the bond and to show the public what we have purchased. Please plan on attending.

- Chief Tom Miller

Personnel Spotlight—A Volunteer's Perspective

Lawrenza Bishop has been a volunteer with Philomath Fire & Rescue since November 2014. She is currently an OSU graduate student studying Public Health. She lives in Philomath with her beloved dog Stranger. She started with us as a Resident Volunteer after completing paramedic school, and has recently retired from the National Guard as a Combat Medic after more than 10 years of military service, which included 3 deployments to Afghanistan, Kosovo, and Jordan.



"Ever since I became a medic in the military I knew I wanted to pursue Emergency Medical Service outside of the Army, and volunteering at PF&R has granted me the opportunity to not only continue EMS work, but also pursue a career in Firefighting".

In addition to volunteering in Philomath, Lawrenza also does volunteer EMS work internationally. She recently spent 10 weeks in Haiti teaching medical skills to the locals and working as a Paramedic. She will be traveling to Bostswana, Africa this summer with OSU to engage in Community Health Worker training.

"One of the reasons I love volunteering with PF&R is, despite my absences when volunteering overseas, I am always welcomed back into the PF&R family. They embrace my desire to do humanitarian work and are exceptionally supportive of the work I do. Philomath Fire & Rescue is a family I am proud to be a part of".



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*The protection and care of human life through
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*The development of character through
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A Volunteer's Legacy Lives On Karl Corbin Scholarship



Karl Corbin is recognized as a lifetime member with Philomath Fire & Rescue. He was a dedicated volunteer and a committed community member. He moved to Philomath in 1988 and worked at Summit Information Systems, he was a technical genius and integral contributor to their product. He was an enthusiastic softball player and an avid fan of Philomath High School sports, especially

girl's soccer. Karl loved soccer, rugby, hockey and football.

Karl was a hard-working volunteer, earning Firefighter of the Year in 1991, 1993, 1999 and 2001 and Emergency Medical Service Responder of the Year in 1997. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2000 and to Captain in 2003, the same year he fought the B&B Complex Fire as a member of the Benton County Task Force.

Karl was always willing to help a friend. He was generous, had a quick wit and a wry sense of humor. To honor the dedication and passion with which Karl lived his life, Ken, Karl's brother, and Jean, Ken's wife, have established a foundation to provide an annual scholarship to local students. Applications for the Karl Corbin Scholarship can be found on our website: <http://www.philomathfire.com/scholarships/>.

Volunteer to Help the Community

If you're looking for an opportunity to make the community a safer place to live, Philomath Fire & Rescue would like to hear from you! We are especially interested in finding capable volunteers in the areas served by our substations; Wren and Inavale. If you live south of Airport Road or west of Wren Hill, you can make a huge difference in your neighborhood.

We are looking for people to train for medical and fire emergency response. We provide the training and equipment necessary to safely and effectively respond to the many types of emergency calls in our Fire District. We respond to over 700 emergency calls a year in our community. We also provide medical standby at community events and community education. If you live in the Philomath Fire & Rescue Fire District and would like to be part of our team, come and join us! Applications can be found on our website at: <http://www.philomathfire.com/our-volunteers/> or can be picked up at the Main Station, 1035 Main St, Philomath.

