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2011 Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Week Recap

This marks the 8th year volunteers, agency representatives and businesses have joined together in what has become one of the most successful disaster preparedness events in Southern California.

Hundreds of volunteer hours are put in each year to plan the events that continue to grow. In 2011 we held two volunteer work parties to prepare the 16,000 full color mailing pieces and school flyers.



Wildfire Awareness Week Kickoff:

The Wrightwood Fire Safe Council kicked off Wildfire Awareness Week 2011 with an introduction of the new San Bernardino County Fire Chief Mark Hartwig and a dedication of Medic Engine 14.

The Kickoff was well attended by representatives from the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests and CAL FIRE along with crews, representatives and volunteers from local community groups.





Robert Eland, First District Project Manager for Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt presented the Wrightwood Fire Safe Council with a Proclamation declaring May 1st through May 7th, 2011 as Wildfire Awareness Week in San Bernardino County.



The dedication ceremony of Wrightwood Fire Station's Medic Engine 14 was a special treat for attendees as newly appointed Fire Chief Hartwig and retired Fire Chief Hedden shared ribbon cutting honors.

Engineer / Paramedic Steve Turner from Station 14 films the activities.

Check out Steve's video of the Kickoff event:
[Click Here](#)



Wildfire and Disaster Awareness Day:



The annual Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Day is an educational event with exhibitors who provide important information to help keep local community members informed about protecting their families and homes from wildfires and other disasters.



San Bernardino County Animal Care & Control brought their specially designed 40ft truck & trailer loaded with dogs for low cost adoptions.

CHP and COP volunteers helped again this year with parking, traffic control and security.



Fire Station 14's Junior Firefighter Challenge provides new challenges each year. A real crowd pleaser is watching children extinguish a live burning (demonstration) structure.

New this year was Station 14's simulated bleeding arm that gave kids and adults an opportunity to practice controlling excessive bleeding.



Great weather greeted more exhibitors than ever as they setup their displays in order to provide an educational experience for the day's crowd.



The WFSC dunk tank fundraiser offers a lot of fun for guests as they take turns attempting to cool off some of their favorites. Smokey shakes hands with ANF District Ranger Bob Blount after he dunked Bob.









Take a look at Nikki Metzger's Blog that includes more photos
[Click Here](#)

Some of the stats for the day included:

10 - Low Cost Dog Adoptions
47 - Dogs were Micro Chipped

Emergency Supplies Available to Visitors

46 – 55 gallon FDA water barrels were sold at cost
12 – New 800 watt generators sold
25 – Fire Extinguishers sold
74 - Fire Fighter Nozzle for garden hoses sold
60 – Fire Extinguishers were serviced

Hot Dogs-Popcorn-Water Given Away

1200 hot dogs
35 lbs of popcorn
1,000 bottles water

People in attendance were able to visit different displays and receive information from Federal, State and County organizations and volunteer groups that focused on disaster preparedness.

In closing:

The Wrightwood Fire Safe Council would like to thank the hundreds of volunteers, exhibitors, participants, sponsors, agency representatives and every other person involved in this year's week of activities. It's truly rewarding to have the unconditional cooperation of federal, state and county agencies and the public as we continue to prepare for disasters that are inevitable.

Thanks for everyone's support,
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council

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