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2013 Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Week Recap



For the 10th year volunteers, agencies and businesses 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.



In 2013 volunteer work parties prepared 16,000 full color mailing pieces. School flyers were prepared and delivered to over 6,500 students in the Tri-Community.

Wildfire Awareness Week Kickoff:

San Bernardino County kicked off Wildfire Awareness Week 2013 with a Proclamation declaring May 5 through May 11, 2013 as Wildfire Awareness Week.



The Kickoff was attended by representatives from the US Forest Service, CALFIRE, San Bernardino County, along with crews, representatives and volunteers from local community groups.



Wildfire and Disaster Awareness Day:

The 10th annual Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Day was well attended with an estimated total of 2,500 to 3,000 visitors. The educational event provides information to help keep community members informed about protecting their families and homes from wildfires and other disasters.

With temperatures in the mid 70's the weather couldn't have been better!



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.



SB County Fire Slash Crew came to the rescue making wood chips used on the ground during the event. After the event was over, the wood chips were donated to the Wrightwood Fire Station and Community Garden.



Calfire gave demonstrations of their portable sawmill.





Some of the stats include:

Kids Fingerprinted by COPs
Dozens of dogs were Micro Chipped

Emergency Supplies Available to Visitors

Fire Extinguishers and 55 gallon FDA approved water barrels were sold at cost

69 - Fire Fighter Nozzles for garden hoses were purchased



Hot Dogs-Popcorn-Water Given Away

1200 hot dogs

35 lbs of popcorn

Over 850 bottles of 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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