



Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Is in need of 3 Budget Committee Members

The Budget Committee is the budget planning board for the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD. It consists of the governing body (M-B RFPD Board of Directors) plus an equal number of local voters (district members who serve on the Budget Committee) appointed by M-B RFPD. Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD has 10 Budget Committee members, with the votes of all members being equal. State law (ORS 294.336) mandates a budget committee for all Oregon local governments.

The Budget Committee reviews the proposed budget submitted by the M-B RFPD Budget Officer. The committee may approve the proposed budget intact, or change part or all of it prior to final approval.

After notices and publications are filed according to State law, the budget is forwarded to the Board of Directors for one final Public Hearing and formal adoption prior to June 30.

The fiscal powers of the Budget Committee are:

- Specify the amount of tax revenue or tax rate for all funds
- Establish maximum total expenditures for each fund
- Approve the total taxes for the local government as an amount and/or rate.
- Approve the budget, then forward it on to the M-B RFPD Board of Directors for adoption.

The Budget Committee meets annually. The first meeting of the year is held on a scheduled date in the spring where the annual Budget Message is read, the budget is reviewed and additional meeting dates are scheduled if needed.

A Budget Committee Member serves a three year term.

If you'd like to serve on the Budget Committee, please stop by the main station at 12525 Hwy 202, Mist, OR 97016 or give us a call @ (503)755-2710.



Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District

12525 Highway 202, Mist, OR 97016 | (503) 755-2710 or (503) 755-0510 | Fax (503) 755-2556

Budget Member Application

Name _____

Address _____ City _____, Oregon

Zip _____ Phone _____

Please use additional paper to write in your answers. A resume may be attached to this application but is not required.

1. Are you a registered voter in the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD? Yes No
2. Length of residency in the District _____
3. Why are you interested in serving on the Budget Committee?
4. Have you served in similar capacities in the past and, if so, under what circumstances?
5. Please provide us with a brief description of your background and your activities in the community.
6. If appointed are you willing to serve as a collaborative member of the Budget Committee and pursue the work of the committee by following District, State and Federal Laws, policies and procedures?

 Yes No

Signature _____

Date _____

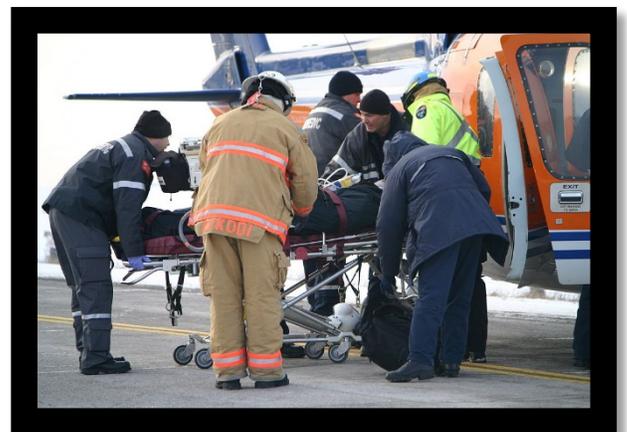
Note: This application must be returned by March 5th, 2019 to the attention of Barbara Smith, Board Secretary, Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD 12525 Highway 202, Mist, Oregon 97016. The Board of Directors will announce those appointed to the Budget Committee at the March 19, 2019 Board Meeting.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ARRIVES

By Larry Boxman, Paramedic

In the last newsletter, we discussed the type of questions a dispatcher may ask when you call 911. As a continuation of that commentary, the purpose of this article is to spend a few minutes talking about what to expect when EMS arrives to assist you or your family. That way we can try to make that moment a little less scary and a little more understandable.

When you call for help, members from the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District will respond with an ambulance staffed with two or three personnel. Additionally, other first responders will respond in fire department utility vehicles. Do not be surprised if five or six people arrive to help. These personnel will immediately begin caring for people who are ill or injured. Some of the activities include gathering a history and physical examination, treatment and transport to a hospital.



History and Physical Examination

One technician will typically start asking pertinent medical questions which center on past medical history, current medications, allergies, physician's name and hospital choice while another technician will begin the examination and treatment. Specific questions may include when the patient ate last, when and what medications were last administered, if unusual stressors have been present (e.g., infections, stress, exercise) and what the last blood glucose level check revealed if the patient is a diabetic.

Family members can help EMS by compiling a list or gathering all of the patient's information and medications. It is important to keep a current list of medications (include the medications name, dose and administration frequency) and complete past medical history. The Blue Card that we included in the last newsletter is a very effective

way to keep track of this information. We will look on your refrigerator for the Blue Card. If it is complete, the questioning process will be quick and efficient.

Treatment

The type of treatment we render will depend on the patient's condition and the findings from the physical examination. The patient may receive oxygen, ECG monitoring, fluid administration, medications or a host of other interventions. If the patient is conscious, treatment options will be discussed with both the patient and family members.



Transport

We will generally transport to the hospital designated by the patient or family member. If the patient is critical or unable to communicate his or her wishes, we will follow protocols approved by our medical director for the most appropriate destination.

Prevention of an emergency is always best. However, if you need emergency assistance, please know that the EMS personnel of the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District are well trained and prepared to respond to your needs. We truly care about you and the health of our community.

In the next newsletter, we will discuss Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) orders, Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) and advanced directives as they relate to end of life choices and EMS.

FIREFIGHTING DOESN'T HAVE TO INVOLVE FIRE



Being a volunteer emergency responder is about one thing.

It's not what you look like, what degree you have, or where you come from. It's about heart. If you've got the heart to serve this community in a way that few can, you've got everything we need.



READY TO LEARN MORE?

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**YOUR COMMUNITY
IS CALLING**

MakeMeAFirefighter.org

Mist-Birkenfeld Volunteer Association/Share the Spirit Program sends a big thank you to all the community members who donated food, toys and financial support that brought joy and made Christmas special to those in our district that needed a little extra help this year.

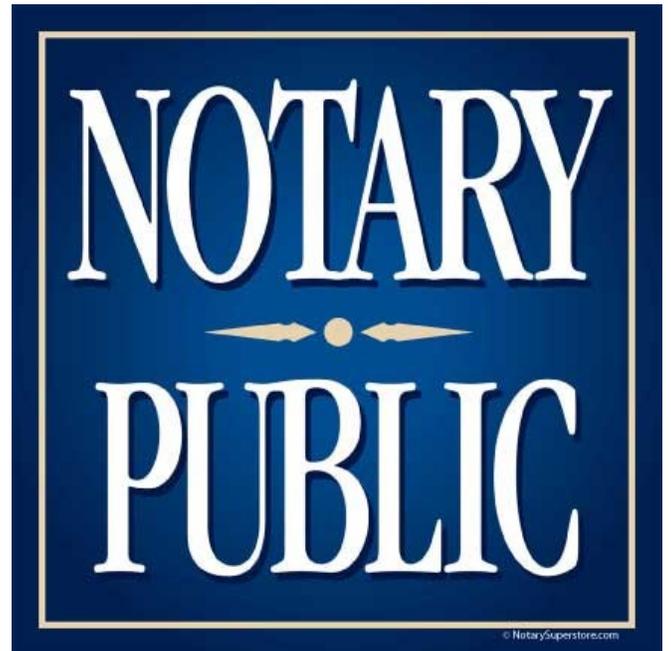


Please join us on February 15th between 11:45 and 1:45pm at the Birkenfeld Community Church (11249 Hwy 202) for a no-cost, homemade soup, bread, and dessert luncheon. Get together, visit with your community neighbors and enjoy some good food. The Soup Group is a monthly event so show your support by joining us on the 15th!



NOTARY PUBLIC

Need something notarized? We have a Notary on staff Monday thru Thursday at no cost to district members. Remember, you must present a government photo ID such as a drivers license or passport. DO NOT sign document to be notarized *until* the Notary is present to witness the signature. Please call for an appointment.



Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD

Meeting & Training Schedule

Board Meeting	3rd Tuesday	7pm
Fire Fighter Drills	1st & 2nd Wednesdays	7pm
EMS Drills	1st & 2nd Thursdays	7pm
Rescue	3th Wednesday	7pm
Apparatus Maint.	4th Wednesday	7pm

Meetings held at Main Station 12525 Hwy 202



On October 24th, 2018, the Mist Grade School came to the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Main Station for a field trip. Students were put through their paces at five separate stations to practice fire fighting and emergency medical skills. The students were also treated to a volunteer prepared lunch while watching a video about home fire safety. Fun was had by students, volunteers and staff. All the students departed the main station with a goody bag to remember their trip. A great big THANK YOU goes out to Assistant Chief Mary Lou Busch for her tireless efforts to organize this event and to all the volunteers who came to support such a wonderful event. Please enjoy the photos.....



Thank you for teaching us about fire safety. I learned fires can be more dangerous than you think.

Sincerely yours, Jolee



I learned that fire gear is very heavy. I also learned that if there is a fire you never hide under the bed or in the closet.

Love Kellan



Photos by: Gayle Rich-Boxman

1. See if the door is hot
2. Put a layer by the window
3. make sure you have fire

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Jolee

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Thank you for teaching us at each station.

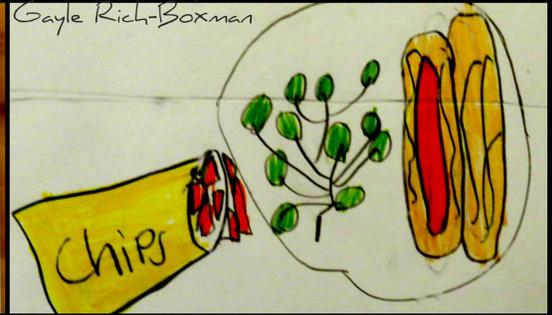
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To the Fire Department Volunteers - I know it takes a lot of time and caring to put together a wonderful field trip for students to explore, learn, ask questions, think and eat!! The 1st Grade School students had a really fun time! As I sit and write this I hear lots of talk of things learned today!

Thank you for your time and efforts for

Mrs. Jones





See if you can find: a snake, bat, hot dog, kite, comb, zipper, diamond ring, sneaker,
 ice cream cone, chess pawn, palette, mushroom, pancakes, bowling pin, sand shovel,
 coffee pot, battery, fried egg, football, hockey stick

Snake Alarm Safety Hidden Pics



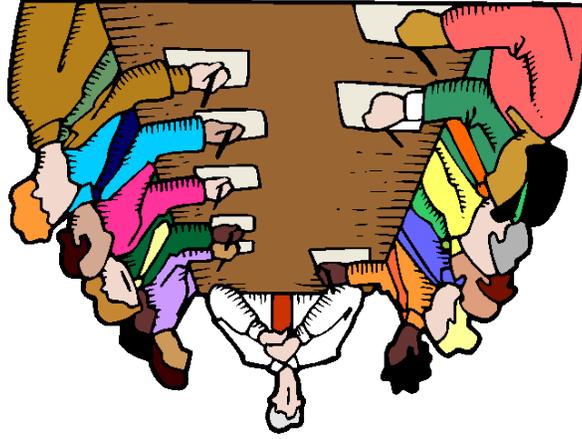
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Sparky says... "Hear the BEEP where you sleep!"

- ★ Have working smoke alarms on every level of your home.
- ★ Have a working smoke alarm inside every bedroom.
- ★ Have a grown-up test your smoke alarms at least once a month.
- ★ Have a home fire escape plan with two ways out of every room and an outside meeting place.

CHECK OUT **SPARKY.ORG** FOR MORE FUN!

Members Needed



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