NEWS AND EVENTS

November 5
Santa Ana Home Fire Campaign

Orange County Fire Authority and American Red Cross set a single-day installation record of 1,166 Kidde donated smoke detectors in Santa Ana’s Central City Neighborhood. We would like to thank the 175 volunteers from 19 different community groups who helped accomplish this great feat. Smoke alarms save lives!

November 9
Firefighter Mike Alba

Please join us in congratulating Firefighter Mike Alba as he receives his hard-earned Orange County Fire Authority badge for 30 years of service. Thank you Firefighter Alba for your great work!
November 22
Thanksgiving safety tips

OCFA collaborated with Orange County Global Medical Center to warn the public of the dangers of frying a holiday turkey. The demonstration took place in the parking lot of OC Global and featured a frozen turkey dropped into a vat of hot oil.

- Firefighters urge cooks to watch how much oil is used to prevent overflow.
- Keep deep fryer at least 10 feet away from any structure that could burn.
- When using flammable decorations or candles, never leave them unattended and use flameless alternatives if possible.
- If someone suffers a burn from liquids, it is critical to remove the clothing from the affected area immediately, apply room-temperature water and go to the nearest emergency room.
- Do not apply ice or other freezing substances to the burn area.

November 30
In Memory of Firefighter Ron Castro

Orange County Fire Authority Firefighter Ron Castro lost his battle to cancer. Ron worked for the Santa Ana Fire Department for 42 years before transitioning to OCFA in 2012. Ron was well known for his positive energy as well as his passion for golf and travelling. Ron bravely battled pancreatic cancer for eight months before succumbing to his illness. A memorial service was held at Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa.

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS

Structure Fire
November 3

At 4:35 A.M., OCFA units were dispatched to the Pinnacle at MacArthur Place Apartments for a report of a balcony on fire. The first unit arrived in approximately five minutes to find a fifth-story exterior patio cover on fire. The fire was controlled in 10 minutes and fire damage was limited to the patio area of a single unit. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries,
and fire investigators are working to determine if discarded smoking materials were associated with the cause.

Structure Fire
November 10
OCFA received a call from the Lake Shore Condominiums at 11:20 P.M., for a reported carport fire. The first unit was on scene four minutes later and found multiple vehicles and a detached carport on fire. The fire was contained in 30 minutes, limiting the damage to nine vehicles. There were no injuries to firefighters or civilians. Fire Investigators and Santa Ana Police Department are examining the origin to determine the cause.

Structure Fire
November 14
At 4:10 A.M., OCFA units responded to East McFadden for a report of smoke inside a restaurant. The first unit arrived in approximately five minutes to find a fire inside one suite of the 10-unit strip mall. The fire was contained to the suite of origin in 25 minutes and there was heat and smoke damage throughout the entire strip center. There are no reported injuries to firefighters or civilians. Power and gas officials were requested to restore utilities to the building.

Structure Fire
November 23
At 3:12 PM, OCFA units were dispatched to North Old Grand Street for a report of smoke coming from a building. The first OCFA unit arrived in approximately three minutes to find a kitchen fire in a single-story residence. The fire was controlled in 10 minutes and there were no injuries to firefighters or occupants. Fire investigators have been dispatched to determine the cause of the fire. The Red Cross assisted with three displaced adults.

Structure Fire
November 29
At 6:03 PM, OCFA units were dispatched to East Flower Street for smoke coming from a house. The first fire engine arrived in three minutes to find a bedroom fire in a one-story duplex. The fire was controlled in 10 minutes and damage limited to one residence. There were no injuries to firefighters or occupants. The Red Cross was requested to assist at the scene.

INCIDENTS BY MAJOR CATEGORY

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

November 1
Engine 79
Crew provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at RICCA Learning Center.

November 2
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November 8
Engine 79
Crew and Community Education Specialist Alexa Pratt provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Montessori International Academy.

November 8
Fire Station 70, 74, 76, 77
Fire stations supported the election and served as polling locations for the community.

November 10
Community Education Specialist
Community Education Specialist Milton Niera provided a life and fire safety presentation to members of the Apartment Association of Orange County.

November 23
Engine 72
Crew provided a station tour to CERT members, as well as an emergency preparedness presentation.
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