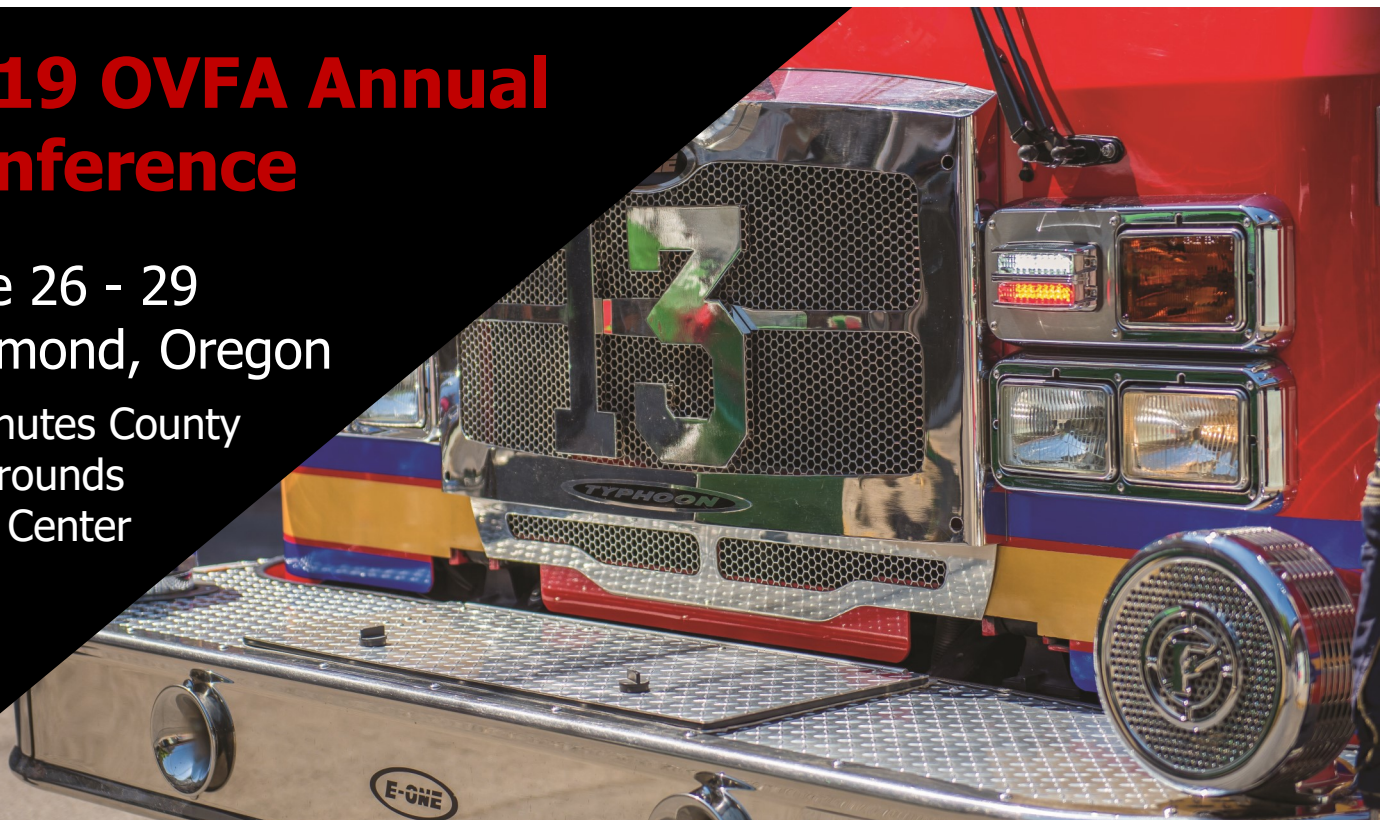


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## 2019 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Wednesday, June 26 (Pre-Conference)

7-9 a.m. & 2-5 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Classes Begin - <i>Lunch provided</i>
6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	BBQ Dinner/Live Music Conference Welcome <i>Family is welcome!</i>

#### Thursday, June 27

7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Registration
7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	OVFA Business Meeting
9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.	Classes Continue - <i>Lunch provided</i>
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Vendor and Sponsor Reception Silent Auction

#### Friday, June 28

7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Classes Continue - <i>Lunch provided</i>
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Social Hour
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	<b>Featured Event:</b> OVFA Reception, Business Meeting, and Banquet with Keynote Presentation by Chief Rick Lasky/Live Auction

#### Saturday, June 29

7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Classes Continue - <i>Lunch provided</i>
5:00 p.m.	Conference Concludes

#### Join us Thursday Evening

for the Vendor and Sponsor Reception and Silent Auction. All proceeds will benefit the OVFA Volunteer Relief Fund to help injured volunteers and their families.

#### Don't forget the Live Auction following the Friday Banquet!

Proceeds from this auction will go to the Oregon Burn Center.

If you have items you would like to contribute to either auction, please contact **OVFA** at **800-223-9708** or **503-378-0896**.

# 2019 OVFA Conference Class Schedule

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>FF II TRACK</b>			
	<b>Pre-Incident Survey</b> (2.5 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>	<b>Foam Fire Streams</b> (4.5 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>	<b>Fire Prevention/Pub Ed</b> (3 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>
		<b>Fire Detection, Alarm, &amp; Detection Systems</b> (3 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>	<b>Construction Materials &amp; Building Collapse</b> (2.5 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>
			<b>Hydrant Flow &amp; Operability</b> (1.5 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>
			<b>Hose Tools &amp; Appliances</b> (2.5 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i>
<b>A/O TRACK</b>			
	<b>Mobile Water Supply</b> (24 hrs. - Includes one day in class) <i>Instructors: Jim Oeder &amp; Bill Johnson</i> <i>Apparatus/Gear/Apparel: Full Turnouts</i>		
<b>FIREGROUND LEADER/FIRE OFFICER I TRACK</b>			
	<b>Fire Behavior</b> (16 hrs.) <i>Instructor: Chief Harry Ward, CCR</i>		<b>Five Alarm Leadership</b> (8 hrs.) <i>Instructor: Rick Lasky</i>
<b>RESCUE TRACK</b>			
	<b>Vehicle Rescue Technician</b> (16 hrs.) <i>Instructor/Coordinator: Chris Mills</i> <i>Apparatus/Gear/Apparel: Full Turnouts or rescue gear</i> <b>Class Limit: 20</b>		
	<b>Swiftwater &amp; Flood Rescue Technician Advanced</b> (32 hrs.) Includes night operations <i>Instructor: Travis Reid</i> <i>Pre-Requisites: Swiftwater Rescue Technician I (SRT-1) and Technical Rope Rescue Technician Level (TRR-TL)</i> <b>Apparatus/Gear/Apparel: Full swiftwater gear</b>		
	<b>Rope Rescue</b> (32 hrs.) <i>Instructors: Rick Krause &amp; Jeff Scheetz</i> <b>Apparatus/Gear/Apparel: PPE required</b>		
<b>POTPOURRI TRACK</b>			
	<b>Wildland Operations</b> (8 hrs.) <i>Instructor: DPSST</i> <b>Apparatus/Gear/Apparel: PPE required</b>	<b>Psychological Trauma in EMS Patients</b> (8 hrs.) <i>Instructor: MedProEd - Scott Cooper</i>	<b>Geriatrics in EMS Core Provider</b> (8 hrs.) Pre-test required <i>Instructor: MedProEd - Scott Cooper</i>

# Class Information

## Swiftwater & Flood Rescue Technician ADVANCED (32 hrs.) | Instructor: Travis Reid

*Prerequisite: Swiftwater Rescue Technician Unit 1 (SRT-1) and Technical Rope Rescue Technician Level (TRR-TL). Course includes night operations; therefore, if Saturday's class time is not needed (hours are fulfilled), attendees are invited to attend Five Alarm Leadership by Rick Lasky.*

This water rescue course is the third class needed for personnel wanting to meet the requirements of the NFPA 1670 Standard and the NFPA 1006 Standard at the Technician Level for water. This course takes the student who has completed Swiftwater Rescue Technician Unit 1 (SRT-1) and Technical Rope Rescue Technician level (TRR-TL) beyond the emphasis of self-rescue and further concentrates on rescue in hard to get to areas and more difficult swiftwater situations. This is done by integrating the SRT-1 techniques into more difficult technical swiftwater rescue situations. The Swiftwater Rescue Technician Advanced curriculum is specifically designed for fire fighters, rescue teams and professional rescuers who need the best swiftwater training available! The course also includes a night search and rescue operation in a river environment. It is a very active and fun course for students who are up for the challenge.

Students are introduced to the role and utilization of various skills in river and flood rescue, including:

- Simple to complex rope systems & mechanical advantage.
- Management of litter & patient raising systems.
- Highline & high angle rope rescue systems.
- Advanced river search concepts.
- Performing rescues at night or in low visibility.
- Basic flood disaster management.

## Rope Rescue (32 hrs.) | Instructors: Rick Krause & Jeff Scheetz

This course will train firefighters and emergency responders in the use of rope, rescue equipment, and mechanical advantage systems for high-angle rescue environments. This course is applicable for rescuers seeking to initially acquire these skills, or to refresh and expand upon existing skills.

## Mobile Water Supply (24 hrs.) | Instructors: Jim Oeder & Bill Johnson

This course is designed to provide the skills and knowledge required for certification to mobile supply operator as described in NFPA1002. After completing this course students will be able to operate a mobile supply apparatus during emergency situations. The student will have the opportunity to practice apparatus positioning, drafting, and water shuttle operations.

Upon successful completion of the task book, the student will be eligible for DPSST certification.

This course is intended for students who have completed FFI and the pumper operator course.

## Fire Behavior (16 hrs.) | Instructor: Chief Harry Ward

The goal of this course is to increase firefighter safety by providing a framework for educating and training firefighters about the current body of fire dynamics research. This course will also demonstrate how that knowledge can be directly translated into strategic fireground decision making and into highly applicable, useable, real life fireground tasks.

## Vehicle Rescue Technician (16 hrs.) | Instructor: Chris Mills (Class limited to 20 Attendees)

*Prerequisite: Experience and training with extrication. This is an intermediate level class.*

This course is designed to meet the requirements of the NFPA 1670 Technician Level Course for Vehicle Extrication. It is geared towards intermediate and more experienced rescue workers, as it includes

reviews of new vehicle technology; including anatomy, airbags, pretensioners, and hybrid vehicles. Students will participate in 4 hours of classroom lecture/discussion and 12 hours of hands-on training, utilizing the lessons learned inside. Students will learn techniques designed to take advantage of and conquer today's vehicles. The class will cover several key components and concepts of vehicle extrication including winch operations, semi-truck extrications (including: stabilizing, lifting, moving, rolling, and cutting), and bus-related incidents/rescue ops. The class will include patient care (looking at injuries: how they happen, how we treat, and how to extricate without causing additional injuries). This class is certified through DPSST (Course # 18F068).

## Wildland Operations (8 hrs.) | Instructor: DPSST Staff

This course is an introduction to type 5 & 6 to wildland apparatus. Students will have the opportunity to practice pumping, driving, and using the equipment on the apparatus.

## Psychological Trauma in EMS Patients (8 hrs.) | Instructor: Med Pro Ed Scott Cooper

*Course pre-test required. Max 24 students. 8-hour classroom course for EMS practitioners at all levels and other prehospital providers. Upon successful completion of the course, students receive a certificate of completion, a wallet card recognizing them as PTEP providers for 4 years, and 8 hours of CAPCE credit.*

PTEP gives EMS practitioners the resources they need to help alleviate patients' hidden wounds – intense fear, stress and pain – during a medical emergency. PTEP educates EMS practitioners about the biological underpinnings of psychological trauma, the short and long-term impact on the brain and body, and warning signs that a patient is experiencing extreme psychological distress. Through scenario-based interactive sessions, EMS practitioners are also taught strategies and techniques to alleviate patients' distress and help patients cope with what they're experiencing to ward off lingering effects. Topics covered include:

- The invisible wounds of psychological trauma.
- Reducing psychological traumatic stress.
- Understanding the physiological stress response.
- Applying the eSCAPE principle to patient care.
- Patient simulations.
- Recognizing psychological trauma within EMS

## Five Alarm Leadership (8 hrs.) | Instructor: Rick Lasky

Five Alarm Leadership is a dynamic program that is designed to energize and motivate the people in your department to perform and excel in everything they do. This program outlines many of the common situations that fire departments and fire companies find themselves in and presents suggestions and solutions to those situations. Chief Lasky, a 38-plus year veteran of the fire service has experienced many of the challenges and hurdles that your fire department is facing. He has learned through his experience as a company grade officer, command-level officer, and executive officer, how to treat people, how to motivate them, mentor, to coach and counsel them, and in some cases discipline them, so that they want to come back and contribute even more to this great profession. Issues such as integrity, inspiration, interest, innovation, insight and initiative are all discussed and applied to life in the firehouse and on the fireground. Join Chief Lasky as he guides you through your most difficult but vital role as a leader in the fire service.



# Class Information continued

## Geriatrics in EMS – Core Provider (8 hrs.) | Instructor: Med Pro Ed Scott Cooper

Course pre-test required. Max 24 students. 8-hour classroom course for EMTs, paramedics, emergency responders, nurses, physician assistants and physicians. Upon successful completion of the course, students receive a certificate of completion, a wallet card recognizing them as GEMS core providers for 4 years, and 8 hours of CAPCE credit.

GEMS provides EMS practitioners at all levels with the skills and knowledge to address the unique medical, social, environmental and communications challenges of older adults. Developed by NAEMT in partnership with the American Geriatrics Society, GEMS empowers EMS practitioners to help improve medical outcomes and quality of life for older patients. GEMS features case-based lectures, live action video, hands-on skill stations, simulation and small group scenarios to fully engage students in the learning experience. Topics covered include:

- Changes with age.
- Assessment of older adults.
- Pharmacology and medication toxicity.
- Psycho-social emergencies.
- Elder abuse.
- End-of-life care issues.
- Cardiovascular and respiratory emergencies.
- Trauma.
- Neurological emergencies and altered mental status.
- Mobile integrated healthcare.
- Special considerations for older adults in disaster response.
- Skin and wound care.
- Medical devices frequently used by older adults.



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# REGISTRATION FORM



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Attendee Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Attendee Email \_\_\_\_\_ Attendee Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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MEMBERS	MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS
<input type="checkbox"/> Four-day Conference: \$434	<input type="checkbox"/> Four-day Conference: \$509	<input type="checkbox"/> Four-day Conference: \$509	*Full-conference registrations (3+ days) include daily breakfast, daily lunch, Friday banquet, and conference gifts.
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<input type="checkbox"/> One-day Conference: \$143	<input type="checkbox"/> One-day Conference: \$218	<input type="checkbox"/> One-day Conference: \$218	
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Banquet Meal for Guest: \$ 35	<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Banquet Meal for Guest: \$ 35	<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Banquet Meal for Guest: \$ 35	

Please indicate the track or combination of classes you would like to attend: *Schedule subject to change.*

MULTIPLE DAY TRACKS	MULTIPLE DAY TRACKS	THURSDAY & FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<input type="checkbox"/> Swiftwater & Flood Rescue Technician Adv. (Wed.-Sat.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Behavior (Thur.-Fri.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildland Ops. (Thurs.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction Materials & Building Collapse
<input type="checkbox"/> Rope Rescue (Wed.-Sat.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Rescue Technician (Thur.-Fri.) (20 max.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Foam Fire Streams (Thurs.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrant Flow & Operability
<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Water Supply (Thur.-Sat.)		<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Incident Sy (Thurs.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hose Tools & Appliances
		<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Prev./Pub Ed (Fri.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Five Alarm Leadership Instructed by Rick Lasky
		<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Detection, Alarm & Det. Systems (Fri.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geriatrics in EMS - Core Provider
		<input type="checkbox"/> Psychological Trauma in EMS Patients (Fri.)	

**REQUIRED TO PROCESS REGISTRATION**

**Oregon Volunteer Firefighter Conference Liability Statement of Understanding and Assumption of Risk:** I understand and acknowledge that hosting fire districts are acting as an agent of the Oregon Volunteer Firefighters Association in coordinating the OVFA Annual Conference from June 26 to June 29, 2019. Recreational activities are the sole responsibility of the Participant. I understand that as a Participant my exclusive remedy for injury or illness, which may arise out of participation in this conference, rests solely with my agency or affiliation and/or with me. Recreational activities are not mandatory. Risks associated with participation in any activities, including transportation to and from the event, are the responsibility of the Participant. By signing you are agreeing that as a Participant you agree and that you have informed your district/department/agency of your involvement in the OVFA Conference.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge that any conference cancellation received after **May 28, 2019**, will be reviewed by the OVFA Conference Committee and may result in a cancellation fee. Substitutions are welcome through **June 6, 2019**. Attendee's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

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Registrations received **June 1, 2019, or later**, will be charged an additional **\$25 processing fee.**

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Please submit your completed registration to:

**Mail:** OVFA Conference, 1284 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301 **Email:** [laureal@ovfa.org](mailto:laureal@ovfa.org) **Fax:** 503-364-9919



# OREGON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION 2019 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Rank or Position \_\_\_\_\_

FULL Name of Fire Department or District \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ DAYTIME Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL Address \_\_\_\_\_

Has been selected as Volunteer of the Year from the \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name of Fire Department/District

**The individual named above is hereby submitted for consideration for the annual Volunteer of the Year.**

Deadline to submit a nomination is **May 25, 2019**.

*The top three award finalists will receive a complimentary conference registration and two banquet tickets.*

**This nominee must have been selected Volunteer (Firefighter) of the Year in your agency for the year 2018 in order to be considered for the award.**

Years in the fire service: \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer:  Yes  No Paid:  Yes  No Shirt size: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank or Position held: \_\_\_\_\_ Association Office held: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of department drills held in 2018: \_\_\_\_\_ Attended by nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Excused: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of department activities held in 2018: \_\_\_\_\_ Attended by nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of committee activities held in 2018: \_\_\_\_\_ Attended by nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

How active is the nominee in your department? \_\_\_\_\_

How does the nominee work to promote and improve your fire department? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any activities the nominee participates in outside of the department which promote the fire service or extend the fire service into the community: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you feel this nominee should be selected as the 2019 Oregon Volunteer of the Year?

*Please attach a separate page if additional space is needed. Please do not write on the back of this paper.*

Send completed form to: **Volunteer of the Year Committee** 1284 Court St. NE Salem, OR 97301

**FAX:** (503) 364-9919 [www.ovfa.org](http://www.ovfa.org)

**EMAIL:** laureal@ovfa.org



## **OREGON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION 2019 CONFERENCE INSTRUCTORS**



### **Keynote Speaker: Chief Rick Lasky, Retired**

Chief Rick Lasky, a 38-year veteran of the fire service, served as chief of the Lewisville, Texas Fire Department for 12 years and prior to that as Fire Chief in Coeur d'Alene Idaho. Most recently, he was interim Chief for the Trophy Club, Texas Fire Department. Lasky followed in his father's footsteps, beginning his career as a firefighter in the suburbs on the southwest side of Chicago. While in Illinois, he received the 1996 International Society of Fire Service Instructors "Innovator of the Year" award for his part in developing the "Saving Our Own" program. Throughout his 30-plus years in the fire service he has served as a career and volunteer firefighter. He served as the co-lead instructor for the H.O.T. Firefighter Survival program at FDIC for over 10 years, is a long-standing editorial advisory board member for Fire Engineering Magazine and serves on the FDIC advisory board. Lasky is the author of the best-selling books "Pride and Ownership-A Firefighter's Love of the Job" and "Five Alarm Leadership: From the Firehouse to the Fireground" published by PennWell Books. He is also the co-host for the radio show "The Command Post" heard on Fire Engineering Talk Radio. In 2017, he was the recipient of the Tom Brennan Lifetime Achievement Award.

### **Scott Cooper | MedProEd**

Scott Cooper is a paramedic, firefighter/engineer, NFPA Fire Instructor II and a National EMS Education Association EMS Instructor. He grew up in Portland and now resides in Stayton, Oregon, where he volunteers with Stayton Fire District, and works part time with the Turner Fire District on the ambulance. During his career he has worked in many sectors of EMS; private, hospital and fire-based ambulance services. Scott has taught all EMS levels since 1986 for Chemeketa, Portland and Clackamas Community Colleges, as well as the OHSU/OIT paramedic program. Scott holds instructor certifications for Prehospital Trauma Life Support, Advanced Medical Life Support, Geriatrics for EMS, Emergency Pediatric Care, EMS Safety, Emergency Vehicle Operator Safety, and Psychological Trauma for EMS Patients. Currently, he teaches online medical terminology classes at PCC, EMS classes at Clackamas CC, and regularly teaches BLS/ACLS, PALS and other CE courses at several institutions. He often speaks and teaches at conferences & workshops. He is a member of the advisory committee for the Respiratory Therapy program at Concorde Career College. Scott also performs the duty of an expert witness for legal proceedings. When he isn't teaching or spending time with his daughter, he is often drumming with various bands in the Portland/Salem area.

### **Bill Johnson, Fire Chief/EMT | Depoe Bay Fire District**

Chief Bill Johnson, who has served 34+ years in the fire service, has been an instructor for over 20 years teaching many fire service classes in both Oregon and Idaho and also at South Western Oregon Community College for several years. Chief Johnson started his career as a volunteer with the Clatskanie Rural Fire District before becoming a career firefighter with Coos Bay Fire. He was the Deputy Chief of Operations and Training for the Meridian Idaho Fire Department for over 10 years before becoming the Assistant Chief at Depoe Bay. He has an associate degree in Fire Science from Chemeketa Community College.



## **Rick Krause | Jefferson County Fire District #1**

Rick Krause started his first rescue training in 1973 with Cascade East Rescue. In 1976 he joined Jefferson County SAR and was elected president for two years, attending seminars on winter survival, man tracking and mountain medicine. He has participated in many types of rescues over the years. From 1997 to 2007 Rick was leader of the Jefferson County 4-H Cliff Rescue Team, teaching classes in Map & Compass, GPS, Incident Command Systems, Basic Survival, Cliff Rescue, and basic rock & mountaineering climbing.

In 2004 Rick joined Jefferson County Fire District #1 in Madras, Oregon and became NFPA Rope Rescue Technician certified the same year. In 2009 he became a State of Oregon Certified NFPA Rope Rescue Technician Instructor. Besides teaching rescue classes, Rick is currently a BSA venture crew leader and works with at-risk kids in a drug and alcohol program. He also teaches rock climbing as an assistant instructor at Mt. Hood Community College and is a Professional Climbing Guides Institute Tope Rope Guide Course instructor.

## **Chris Mills, Instructor | Fire Rescue Equipment NW, LLC**

Chris Mills, AA, EMTB, has been involved in the fire service for over 24 years. He started as a volunteer firefighter and currently is employed as a line lieutenant on a truck company for a metro area fire department. Chris has a background in heavy equipment, spent time as a heavy rigger/crane operator, and as a mechanic. He spent 17 years on the department's Technical Rescue Team and was a task force leader for OR-TF1. He is certified as an NFPA FF 2, NFPA Fire Officer 1, and NFPA Instructor 1. Chris has been teaching extrication for 14 years and has helped rewrite the techniques used throughout the state. He has also been involved with Holmatro for the last five years as a dealer service technician and instructor. Through Holmatro he has access to information from the National Auto Body Counsel, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, and Audi Proving Grounds in Phoenix, AZ. From these sources comes a wealth of information about new car anatomy & physiology and how to safely & successfully extricate patients.

## **Chief Jim Oeder | Nestucca RFPD**

Chief Oeder has been dedicated to serving the fire service since 1981.

## **Travis Reid | Oregon Rescue LLC**

Travis Reid has provided professional rescue instruction including courses on technical rope rescue, swiftwater rescue technician, wilderness and emergency medical training for Oregon Rescue, LLC since 2012.

## **Jeff Scheetz | Crooked River Ranch Fire & Rescue**

Jeff Scheetz is currently a certified Firefighter and Rope Rescue Technician with Crooked River Ranch Fire and Rescue. He is also a member of Portland Mountain Rescue, with volunteer service exceeding 25 years. After retiring from consulting engineering, he moved to Central Oregon several years ago and enjoys recreating in mountain and canyon environs.

## **Chief Harry Ward | Crooked River Ranch**

Harry Ward started his fire service career in 1988 as a volunteer with the La Plata fire department in La Plata, MO. In 1992 he moved on to work for the Kirksville, MO Fire Department. In 2004 he left the fire department to take a training position which lead him to becoming the Director of Fire and Rescue Technology at the Rolla Technical Center. In 2007 he accepted a position with the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) as a Regional Fire Training Coordinator. During his time with DPSST he was able to update and develop new programs that have been taught all over the state of Oregon. In October of 2016 Harry became the Fire Chief of Crooked River Ranch Fire and Rescue in Central Oregon. He currently is the Region X Advocate for the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation's Everyone Goes Home Program and has served in that position since 2018.



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