

# OES ALERTS

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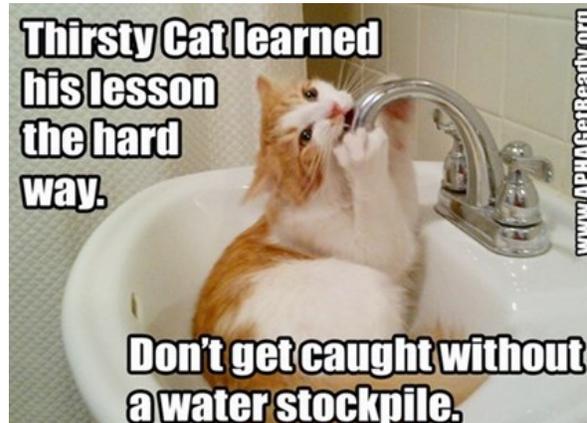
## OES Bulletin:

Back to school is right around the corner!!! As a parent I will miss the carefree evenings not obligated to rushed dinners, endless

sheets of homework, and arguments that being lake side all day no longer counts as a "bath". With the return of a new school year, it brings organization back to our over-scheduled lives. This is also the time of year, as parents, we update our children's emergency contact lists. But this should not only be performed at the school level, emergency contact lists and family emergency plans should be evaluated and discussed with the family every year (or more). What should your plan include?

- Create emergency out of state contacts point. If phone lines go down locally, you may still be able to text or call out of state. Program that phone number into everyone's phone.
- Make sure your family has a "meeting point" and everyone knows where to go.
- Make sure little ones know their address and how to dial 911 (take special consideration if they are calling from a cell phone).
- Learn how and when to turn off utilities – water, gas and electric.
- Make sure all family members know how to use a fire extinguisher and where it is kept in the house.
- Update expired supplies and batteries in your family's emergency kit. Put kits in your car too!

For more information on personal/family emergency preparedness, contact me at the Office of Emergency Services (OES). Your OES has many resources to help keep you and your family safe.



## Fire Explorer Program

**Do you have a son or daughter who is interested in exploring the profession in Fire Safety? Your Milpitas Fire Department has a program geared for them! Students between the ages of 16-18 years old, have the opportunity to work alongside MFD personnel. Students learn about public outreach, fire safety & suppression. Contact me (see contact info below) for more information or an application.**

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### *Memo From the Chief:*

Fall kicks off the start of Fire Prevention Month (September), and the Great Shake-Out/Earthquake Preparedness Month (October). Every year the Milpitas Fire Department and Office of Emergency Services book up quickly for requests for free public education events. If your business/church/social group is looking to put on emergency preparedness educational events open to the community, please reach out to us. We are happy to assist and bring resources to make your event fun, entertaining, and educational. Contact the Office of Emergency Services for more information, (408)586-2801.

*Robert Mihovich, Milpitas Fire Chief*

## **SAFE SPONSORED FREE CPR EVENT**

The Milpitas Office of Emergency Services teamed up the Milpitas Fire Department and the SAFE Program to teach members of the community how to perform hands only CPR on July 16<sup>th</sup>. The program was a bit hit, training over 100 people in one day! Hands only CPR is proven to significantly increase a victim's chance of survival.

### **If someone around you collapses:**

- tell someone to call 9-1-1,
- shake the victim, see if they respond to you,
- if not, begin to perform CPR immediately

**Don't be afraid to act, your actions can only help!**

Milpitas Residents, Bob Nunez and Jill Kaufman, practice CPR at Fire Station 1



### **Upcoming OES Events:**

- 8/4 - National Night Out
- 8/13, 20 & 27 - SAFE New Member Class & Graduation
- 8/20 - City/County ARES/RACES Drill, 2:00 pm
- 9/15 - Emergency Preparedness Commission Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall
- 9/21- SAFE Training: Search, Rescue & Cribbing
- 10/1 - SAFE Drill: Search, Rescue & Cribbing

### **Milpitas Business Corner**

The Milpitas Office of Emergency Services is looking to create partnerships with the Milpitas Business Community. Please contact me if you can assist the City in an emergency with any of the following services, or other areas you think are applicable:

- Heavy Machinery Equipment
- Sanitation/Port-O-Potties
- Food Donations
- Transportation

