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POLK COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO.1

2011 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

On Saturday, March 5, 2011, Polk County Fire District No.1, and the Polk 1 Firefighters Association held their annual awards banquet. Hosted at the Chemeketa Eola Northwest Viticulture Center, this year's banquet was a formal event which included attendees an opportunity to have professional photos taken by Joy Brett Photography.

Emceed by Chief Jason Cane and P1FFA President Mike Case, the following District members were recognized:

5 Year Service Award

Firefighter/Paramedic Mike Hasson

Fire Engineer Brian Yost

Support Personnel Catherine Schneiderman

10 Year Service Award

Captain Chad Paoli

Firefighter/Paramedic Ben Stange

Support Personnel Linda Schmidt

15 Year Service Award

Fire Engineer Carlo Calabrese

Fire Engineer Samuel Cates

Special Service Award

Division Chief (Ret.) Steve Moser for 33 years of service

Captain Barry Warden for 35 years of service.

P1FFA Lifetime Membership Award

Division Chief (Ret.) Steve Moser

Rookie Of The Year

Resident Firefighter Robert Graham

Support Person Of The Year

Fire Engineer Walter Schmidt

Instructor Of The Year

OPS/Training Division Chief Neal Olson

Officer Of The Year

Lt. Mike Case

EMT Of The Year

Firefighter/EMT Thoren Sode

Firefighter Of The Year

Resident Firefighter Baird Steptoe

IAFF 4196 Appreciation Award

Board of Director Pastor Stan Peterson

Chief's Award

OPS/Training Chief Neal Olson (PCFDNo.1)

Training Chief Joshua Darland (Dallas Fire Department)

This year's event continued the tradition of honoring members, past and present, for their accomplishments and dedication to the District.