

Dear Oak Hill Area Neighbors,

I have a couple new items to share relating to fire safety efforts.

Some of you may recall that at the May community meeting there were samples of building materials that can help increase your home's resistance to embers in the case of a wildfire. Guards for roof gutters can help keep leaves and other flammables from collecting. Apparently Costco is having a sale on a type of those recently recommended by two neighbors. Here is a link:

https://www.costco.com/CatalogSearch?dept=All&keyword=EasyOn+GutterGuard&campaignid=1897860132&adgroupid=74362009630&adid=348798943178&gclid=Cj0KCQjwjMfoBRDDARIsAMUjNZo3J6zNcXOMGF7IjsjHTGYNuxMM1XM_sT95-s0cdbXDFF2i0Gc2IUaArsbEALw_wcB

And if you are having trouble finding the fine gauge screening to use for house vents, I was told that the online store, McMaster and Carr carries it.

In other news, if you know any good chipping contractors, the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council chipping program is putting the next phase of grant work out to bid and the contract is for about \$450,000 over 2 years. Interested contractors will find information on the EDCFSC website under "Action" then "RFP"

<http://www.edcfiresafe.org/category/rfps/>

You may have heard that burn permits have been suspended for the fire season. I will attach the CalFire new release.

Fire Safe Councils are in need of volunteers! Ours as well as the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council. If you can spare some time and would like to work with a great group of dedicated neighbors on a variety of tasks, please email me back. In the short time I have been involved, I'm learning of all the important work these councils are doing on behalf of all of us, from work parties to education to influencing government policy and more. However the volunteer force needs reinforcements, many current leaders have been working hard at this for years. Fresh help with a variety of experience and skills is needed. Thanks for considering this community service.

And lastly, the July 9th community meeting at the Firefighters Hall will be coming up soon. We will send out more information, but hold that date to hear Deputy Sheriff Todd Crawford speak on evacuation, emergency readiness, Code Red alerts and more. Tentative plans for September include a panel meeting to discuss and answer questions on the ongoing challenges of home fire insurance.

Thanks so much for your interest! See you next time.

Linda Azevedo, Chair
Oak Hill Area Fire Safe Council