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### A brief “summer” newsletter . . .

- **Six Thinking Hats Training, September 28th**

The OFEB is pleased to announce that a one-day version of Six Thinking Hats Training will be offered in Portland on September 28<sup>th</sup> at 1220 SW Third Avenue, Room 315, Edith Green/Wendell Wyatt Federal Building. The session will be presented by Jack Ratcliffe. Jack presented a 3-hour overview session for the Oregon FEB in June. The registration fee for the September 28th class is \$160. Jack describes Six Thinking Hats as a “tool-based approach to thinking” that really works. **The class will be limited to 35 participants**, so early reservations are encouraged to ensure seating. Contact Mary Ceciliani at [mcecilia@pcez.com](mailto:mcecilia@pcez.com) or 503-326-3010 to register.

- **Retirement & Estate Planning Sessions Added**

Due to the continued strong demand for CSRS and FERS Retirement and Estate Planning seminars, the OFEB has added two additional sessions this calendar year. A CSRS session will be held Nov. 22-23, and FERS on Dec. 14-15. **The Sept. 29-30 CSRS session is FULL**, however, there are still spaces available in the Oct. 5-6 FERS and the two new sessions. See our web page at [www.oregon.feb.gov](http://www.oregon.feb.gov) for registration forms and further details. Contact Mary Ceciliani at 503-326-3010 or [mcecilia@pcez.com](mailto:mcecilia@pcez.com) with questions.

- **Federal Protective Service Update**

As most are aware, the Federal Protective Service (FPS) was transferred to the Department of Homeland Security in June 2003. Under the Homeland Security Act, the FPS was given new authorities including responsibility for protecting all federally occupied buildings, grounds and properties.

In Oregon, DHS-Federal Protective Service has updated its command structure for the State of Oregon. The FEB should be aware that there are now two Commands for the State instead of just one.

The Portland Command now covers FPS operations in SW Washington State, the Portland metro area, and the Northern half of the State from Salem north. The Eugene Command covers FPS operations South of Salem to the California State line.

Below are the up to date contacts for both DHS-FPS Commands in the State of Oregon:

DHS-FPS Portland Command  
Commander Matthew Brandt  
Office # 503-326-7579

DHS-FPS Eugene Command  
Captain Thomas Keedy  
Office # 541-465-6309

24 Hour DHS Emergency: 1-888-280-3405

If you would like to receive the FPS newsletter “CrimeWatch,” e-mail Noel Ness at [noel.ness@gsa.gov](mailto:noel.ness@gsa.gov).

- **FAA Hillsboro Career in Skies Bound for Home**

Ric Chisholm, a good friend of the OFEB over the years and a two-time chair of the local CFC, will retire from federal service at the end of this year. An article about his life and career appeared in the Thursday, July 15, 2004 Oregonian, Washington County edition. It's nice to see some good press about federal government employees on occasion. Below is the opening excerpt from that fine article by Jerry Boone:

“Ric Chisholm wasn't there, but he tells the story like he was an eyewitness.

A woman named Annie celebrates her emancipation and 21st birthday by making her first solo flight in a Piper Cub. She takes off, does the required circuit and gently puts the plane back onto the runway. As she climbs out, Annie slips on a wheel strut and falls face first into a puddle. Tex Chisholm lends her a hand as she gets up and asks whether she plans to record in her pilot's log every bounce she made during her arrival as a separate takeoff and landing. That first meeting of his parents may explain a lot about Ric Chisholm's attitude toward life.

Chisholm plans to retire before year's end, closing a career working for the Federal Aviation Administration, the past 20 years in the control tower at the Port of Portland's Hillsboro Airport.”

You can find the complete story on the home page of our web site, at [www.oregon.feb.gov](http://www.oregon.feb.gov). Congratulations, Ric, on a remarkable career!

## COMMITTEE CORNERS

### Policy Committee

**Next Mtg.:** Aug. 6th, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Water Resources Center, 4600 SE Columbia Way, Vancouver, WA 98661.

**News:** Policy Committee members and invited guests will participate in the Oregon FEB's long-range planning retreat.

### Administrative Services

**Next Mtg.:** Sept. 8th, 8:30-10:00 a.m., Green-Wyatt, #272.

**News:** The agenda is still being developed to help human resources, IT and administrative managers address current critical issues.

### Combined Federal Campaign

**Next Mtg.:** Aug 18, 2-3:30 p.m., Federal Highway Admin., 610 E. Fifth St., Vancouver, WA 98661.

**News:** The 2004 Leadership Team will approve the campaign booklet and pledge form drafts, local CFC video and the coordinator and charity training presentation materials.

### Emergency Preparedness

**Next Mtg.:** Sept. 9th, 9-10 a.m., Federal Highway Admin., 610 E. Fifth St., Vancouver, WA 98661.

**News:** The Emergency Preparedness Committee will discuss business disruption safety planning for FY 2005. The Oregon COOP Interagency Partnership meeting will be held in the same room immediately following, 10 a.m.-12 noon.

### Employee Retention & Development

**News:** The CSRS Retirement and Estate Planning seminar, scheduled for Sept. 29-30, is FULL. The next CSRS session will be held Nov. 22-23. Contact Mary Ceciliani at [mcecilia@pcez.com](mailto:mcecilia@pcez.com) or 503-326-3010 to register.

### Minority Business Opportunity

**Next Mtg.:** Aug. 12th, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, Port of Portland.

**News:** Continued planning for the 2004 Minority Enterprise Development Week Luncheon and Trade Fair, as well as discussion of other training options throughout the year.

### Public Affairs

**Next Mtg.:** Aug. 13th, 8 a.m.-12 noon, Green-Wyatt, #315.

**News:** "Dealing with Stakeholders" communications training is FULL. This class is presented by the Executive Leadership Institute of Portland State University.

### Shared Neutrals/ADR

**Next Mtg.:** Sept 1st, 2-4 p.m., Duncan Plaza, 333 SW 1st Ave., 10th floor, Portland.

**News:** Topics will include a report on the federal agency leader visits, conducted to encourage expanded Shared Neutrals participation.

## OFEB Policy Committee Officers

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