

Conversation: Chad Lavallee
With: Chad Lavallee ([REDACTED])
Exported: Oct 14, 2026 at 2:37 PM

[Jan 1, 2026 at 1:46 PM] Me:
Yo dude! Hope all is well on your end !

When we walked through juniper, I remember you mentioning you had some contacts who could help us with some materials?

[Jan 1, 2026 at 2:29 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Hope all is well with you. What are we needing?

[Jan 1, 2026 at 2:35 PM] Me:
Venting for smoke machine, gotta figure out a plan for force doors, and piping for a standpipe

[Jan 1, 2026 at 2:42 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. I will make some calls

[Jan 1, 2026 at 6:54 PM] Me:
Thanks bro !

[Jan 5, 2026 at 10:20 AM] Me:
Are you going to participate in joint recruitment this year v

[Jan 5, 2026 at 10:21 AM] Me:
?

[Jan 5, 2026 at 10:21 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Have not thought about it yet. I prob should

[Jan 5, 2026 at 10:21 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I honestly dont even know what that entails

[Jan 17, 2026 at 12:09 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I need to come get measurements where we want forced doors

[Jan 17, 2026 at 12:16 PM] Me:
Let's do it. I gotta grab measurements for some pipe too. What's your week look like ?

[Jan 17, 2026 at 12:16 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I will be back Wed. Have thurs fri pr the weekend

[Jan 17, 2026 at 12:16 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Or

[Jan 21, 2026 at 8:18 AM] Me:

How's tomorrow looking for meeting at Juniper ?

[Jan 21, 2026 at 1:43 PM] Chad Lavallee:
What time are you thinking?

[Jan 21, 2026 at 1:45 PM] Me:
We could between 930-1130 or between 12-3. I could also swing up over the weekend.

[Jan 21, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Ok. Let me reach out to my welding guy and see if he has time in the am

[Jan 21, 2026 at 2:17 PM] Me:
👍

[Jan 22, 2026 at 10:36 AM] Chad Lavallee:
You up at the college?

[Jan 22, 2026 at 10:37 AM] Me:
Yes, but getting ready to head to a meeting

[Jan 22, 2026 at 10:38 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy

[Jan 22, 2026 at 10:38 AM] Me:
Available between 12 and 3

[Jan 23, 2026 at 12:35 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Heard you got a good one this morning! 🙌🙌. Is there any way to get into the training building at cocc to grab another bed?

[Jan 23, 2026 at 12:37 PM] Me:
Turns out Subarus don't do well going head to head with a fully loaded dump truck !
Could you grab it tomorrow ?

[Jan 23, 2026 at 12:38 PM] Chad Lavallee:
They in fact do not. And I can. I can throw out an air mattress tonight. We have 3 beds and 4 people wanting to be on shift tonight

[Jan 23, 2026 at 12:39 PM] Me:
If you can wait then I can come let you in tomorrow

[Jan 23, 2026 at 12:50 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy that

[Jan 24, 2026 at 10:05 AM] Me:
Yo dude ! I can meet you at juniper at 130 if your available ?

[Jan 24, 2026 at 12:13 PM] Me:
I'm gonna head up to get some measurements for pipe. I can leave a bed outside if you want or we can catch up next week 🙌

[Jan 24, 2026 at 1:06 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Prob next week. Right in the middle of training.

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:29 PM] Me:
What are you guys doing with all your old SCBAS ?

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:29 PM] Me:
(Congrats on your new packs !)

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:29 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Habitat for humanity lol

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:29 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Not sure yet. Do you guys need some? And thank you!

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:30 PM] Me:
Hell yeah, you should just go straight to the bums.

Yes, very much so. Packs, masks, and bottles are our biggest shortcoming

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:35 PM] Chad Lavallee:
The packs are still good. Bottles are good till may would be the only hang up

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:36 PM] Me:
I'll use them anyway, especially for instructors

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:40 PM] Me:
Only way I could them though is if you have all three (packs, masks, and bottles)

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:41 PM] Chad Lavallee:
How many would you need?

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:41 PM] Chad Lavallee:
And we have all three

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:41 PM] Me:
Haha if you had 15 that would be rad, but I'll take any number

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:42 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Let me see what we have. I am pretty sure we could get close to that

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:45 PM] Me:
That sounds great! You wanna grab a bed either tomorrow or Thursday ? I may also just be able to bring it to you

[Jan 27, 2026 at 1:49 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I have a couple meetings tomorrow. Could grab it Thursday if that works

[Jan 27, 2026 at 2:25 PM] Me:

I'll be here

[Jan 27, 2026 at 2:25 PM] Chad Lavallee:



[Feb 5, 2026 at 11:58 AM] Me: [Attachment]

We are thinking two c channels to reinforce with a metal door. I don't have replacement doors so it would be nice to do the door metal.

[Feb 5, 2026 at 11:58 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Copy. I can make that happen.

[Feb 5, 2026 at 11:59 AM] Me:

Hell yeah dude !

[Feb 5, 2026 at 11:59 AM] Me:

We also got manufacturing making us 14 metal VES inserts

[Feb 5, 2026 at 12:00 PM] Chad Lavallee:

How much would thy charge to make a couple more? Be nice to put a couple in the tower

[Feb 5, 2026 at 12:01 PM] Me:

Material and that's it. But only if Base X doesn't have the material in scrap.

I'll ask

[Feb 5, 2026 at 12:01 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I dont mind buying the material.

[Feb 5, 2026 at 12:17 PM] Me:

Coolio, I'll talk to him !

[Mar 3, 2026 at 2:33 PM] Me:

Whenever I head out there I'll bring a bed with me. Assuming you still need another

[Mar 3, 2026 at 2:36 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Two if you have em

[Mar 3, 2026 at 2:36 PM] Me:

No problem

[Mar 3, 2026 at 2:38 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Thank you Sir

[Mar 27, 2026 at 1:54 PM] Me:

When's a good time to drop of beds and grab packs

[Mar 27, 2026 at 3:14 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I can get some stuff rounded up next week. I am back in Louisiana teaching. But will

be back this weekend.

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:28 AM] Me:
Jesus bro you're a busy guy this spring !!

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:29 AM] Chad Lavallee:
How many packs did you need again?

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:30 AM] Me:

I mean, as many packs/masks/bottles as you could part with....but 4 or 5 would be great !

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:32 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I will go through everything first thing Monday Morn.

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:34 AM] Me:
Thank you, I appreciate it!

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:35 AM] Chad Lavallee:
You bet bro. Looking forward to seeing the new recruits!

[Mar 28, 2026 at 9:37 AM] Me:
I'm hoping for a good group ☺

[Apr 2, 2026 at 7:19 PM] Me:
Yo bro, I'm out at the IFSAC conference next week. I'm gonna try and coordinate Hayden bringing beds to you and grabbing packs.

I just realized we have a live fire scheduled at AFR on the 20th (heavy extrication). Do we need to reschedule since you're gone ?

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:37 PM] Chad Lavallee:
We might. I have to help set up then day of. What do you have for a re schedule date?

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:38 PM] Me:
I don't as of now, likely just be one less live fire day which is what it is!

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:40 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Do we have enough instructors for live fire with Hayden being out too?

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:42 PM] Me:
I would have to lock in another live fire instructor with both of you out. I can fill the live fire IC but missing that other slot....as of now.

But I also don't know how I feel burning at your tower without you.

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:43 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Let me check a few things and will touch base tomorrow or Monday.

[Apr 2, 2026 at 8:47 PM] Me:
Your tha man !

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:23 PM] Me:
Do you have one small set of live fire

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:23 PM] Me:
Turnouts

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:29 PM] Chad Lavallee:
How small?

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:29 PM] Me:
Remember 

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:30 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Yeah

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:40 PM] Me:
It's for her

[Apr 3, 2026 at 4:41 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. I will be back from Boise tomorrow and will look

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:06 PM] Me:
Thanks dude !

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:06 PM] Chad Lavallee:
You bet

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:15 PM] Me:
Hayden said Redmond is gonna use your tower for their academy ?

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:16 PM] Chad Lavallee:
They are on the schedule in June. Hayden may get to share an office space with him

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:17 PM] Me:
That's fucking rad. Building that rep up !

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:19 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I am working on a program that is a cross between smoke diver, breathing air/survival school.

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:27 PM] Me:
I mean, good for you. Nice to get the fuck out every once in a while

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:28 PM] Me:
I am ALL about that! Would love to help if ya need it !

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:28 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Absolutely. I was going to get with you and a couple other folks.

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:33 PM] Me:
Hell yeah. You could do some gangster shit at your spot for that

[Apr 3, 2026 at 5:36 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Thats the plan.

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:25 AM] Chad Lavallee:
What are you guys doing with the old pierce engine?

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:27 AM] Me:
The one you sold us ? Keeping it till the new engine gets here then it's adios

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:27 AM] Chad Lavallee: [Attachment]
[No Text]

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:27 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Wanna swap me foam guages?

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:33 AM] Me:
You can just have it haha

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:33 AM] Me:
I will try and sell it but likely not as a fire truck

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:34 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I will swap it so its still has one. Our buttons are just missing

[Apr 7, 2026 at 9:37 AM] Me:
Rodger

[Apr 14, 2026 at 9:11 AM] Me:
Sent you an academy email about AFR days

[Apr 14, 2026 at 9:11 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy that. Was just reading it

[Apr 14, 2026 at 7:34 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Hey my dude. Had a fools meeting tonight and Hayden said you were helping out with the heavy class?

[Apr 14, 2026 at 7:36 PM] Me:
Well originally I told him I would but for some reason I thought it was on a Saturday, not Wednesday during academy. I had told him I couldn't, he must've forgotten

[Apr 15, 2026 at 5:57 PM] Me:

We gonna be good to burn for this academy or should we pump the brakes ?

[Apr 15, 2026 at 5:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Nope, we dont cancel burns.

[Apr 15, 2026 at 5:59 PM] Me:
I love it

[Apr 17, 2026 at 12:55 PM] Me:
Yo dude ! I know I'm asking for a bunch :) but any chance finding small turnouts for
[REDACTED] ?

[Apr 17, 2026 at 12:56 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Working on that today

[Apr 17, 2026 at 2:12 PM] Me:
Your the best

[Apr 20, 2026 at 2:38 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Do you have that gals measurements? I have a dept that may have a set that will work
for her.

[Apr 20, 2026 at 3:41 PM] Me:
Roughly 34x32 on coat
Roughly 14x29 on pants.

Just small shit lol

[Apr 28, 2026 at 8:15 AM] Me:
I'm flying back in today, I'll check on those dates I sent but I believe it's
correct and I need to adjust the signup sheet. I'll get back to you 🙌

[Apr 28, 2026 at 8:16 AM] Chad Lavallee:
🙌

[May 1, 2026 at 11:46 AM] Me:
Yo homes, those dates I emailed are correct. What's your thoughts on the 20th ?

[May 1, 2026 at 12:00 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Did you want to go to the heavy class?

[May 1, 2026 at 12:10 PM] Me:
No, I can't bail on academy that day. Can we still use the tower with you gone ?

[May 1, 2026 at 12:19 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I can still be there. I think Hayden was thinking you could swap the drill days and
make the search without live fire the 20th and do the live fire the other day so you
could attend the heavy class

[May 1, 2026 at 12:21 PM] Me:

We can do non live fire on the 20th but I still gotta be there. I'm assuming you'll be at the heavy?

[May 1, 2026 at 12:22 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I can be wherever I am needed. I am unemployed 😊

[May 1, 2026 at 12:23 PM] Me:
Hahaha not yet you're not ! Well it's up to you, if your gonna be at the heavy class and ok with us using the tower then we will do no live fire. If your there, we will do live fire

[May 1, 2026 at 12:23 PM] Chad Lavallee:
What do you wanna do? I am open either way.

[May 1, 2026 at 12:24 PM] Me:
Let me send out a text and see how many instructors I can get. I might not even have enough for 3 days of live fire anyway

[May 1, 2026 at 12:25 PM] Chad Lavallee:
We have guys that I can call in.

[May 7, 2026 at 10:25 AM] Me:
We can talk more next Wednesday, but I hear your looking at donating your connexs to Redmond ?

[May 7, 2026 at 10:26 AM] Chad Lavallee:
It is a possibility. What do we have on tap next wed for the college? Is it just search?

[May 7, 2026 at 10:26 AM] Me:
Liked "It is a possibility. What do we have on tap next wed for the college? Is it just search?"

[May 7, 2026 at 10:27 AM] Me:
Survival day. Be doing RIT, search, self survival, and a shit ton of PT

[May 7, 2026 at 10:28 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Do you want smoke for that?

[May 7, 2026 at 10:29 AM] Me:
I'm bringing our smoke machines. We may bust into some class a smoke towards the end of the day but we will play it by ear

[May 7, 2026 at 10:30 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. I will have folks here to help. That will be the only campus day I am gone. I will be in Atlanta teaching at Maffc

[May 7, 2026 at 10:31 AM] Me:
🔧 I think SCBA fill station will be our only need if that's good

[May 7, 2026 at 10:32 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Absolutely

[May 12, 2026 at 8:33 AM] Me:
We will be out to the tower around 7 tomorrow. Have fun in the ATL

[May 12, 2026 at 8:44 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. Nick is on shift so I will let him know. Is it cool if he comes out and trains with the group?

[May 12, 2026 at 8:45 AM] Me:
Absolutely !

[May 13, 2026 at 4:43 PM] Me:
Do you see a need to AMA her from your property ?

[May 13, 2026 at 4:44 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Not if you dont. Without being there its a judgement call by you guys

[May 13, 2026 at 4:44 PM] Me:
Copy

[May 13, 2026 at 5:09 PM] Me:
 getting ride home. Keegan and I gave her the spiel and she refused transport or care

[May 13, 2026 at 5:17 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy that

[May 15, 2026 at 9:33 AM] Me:
Yo homie ! Keegan said you were gone all next week ?

[May 15, 2026 at 10:03 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Supposed to be teaching a saw class. What do we have so I can get it ready and have people to run it

[May 15, 2026 at 10:05 AM] Me:
I've got 1403 staffing for Monday, still working on the rest of the week

[May 15, 2026 at 10:05 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. What days are you there next week?

[May 15, 2026 at 10:13 AM] Me:
Monday for sure, Wednesday and Friday are up in the air

[May 15, 2026 at 10:15 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I can be there friday

[May 15, 2026 at 10:25 AM] Me:


[May 16, 2026 at 5:57 PM] Me:

I forgot to look on Friday - do I need to bring pallets ?

[May 16, 2026 at 6:23 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Let me look. I may have to go get some. What are you guys doing wed?

[May 17, 2026 at 1:44 PM] Me:

Not sure. I only have three instructors so likely just skills

[May 17, 2026 at 1:44 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I will be there tomorrow

[May 17, 2026 at 1:46 PM] Me:

Ok. We are solid for tomorrow as long as we have pallets. I don't have a trailer but we can bring 10 or so.

Wed and Fri I don't have enough

[May 17, 2026 at 1:46 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I am here friday as well

[May 17, 2026 at 1:49 PM] Me:

🔗 what's your pallet stock looking like?

[May 17, 2026 at 1:49 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Non existent

[May 17, 2026 at 1:49 PM] Me:

Oh, well shit

[May 17, 2026 at 1:50 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I can try to grab some a few. If you can bring 10 that would be great

[May 17, 2026 at 1:53 PM] Me:

Yeah I'm gonna have to modify our plan, that's only gonna get us a couple evolutions

[May 17, 2026 at 1:54 PM] Chad Lavallee:

We are grabbing a trailer and going to get some.

[May 17, 2026 at 2:08 PM] Me:

🔗 still bring 10?

[May 17, 2026 at 2:08 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Let me see how many I can get

[May 17, 2026 at 3:14 PM] Me:

Copy that

[May 17, 2026 at 3:50 PM] Me:

Is 2nd floor burn room available or only 1

[May 17, 2026 at 3:59 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Both are available

[May 17, 2026 at 4:01 PM] Me:
Liked "Both are available"

[May 17, 2026 at 8:57 PM] Me:
How many pallets were you able to grab ?

[May 17, 2026 at 8:57 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Like 18

[May 17, 2026 at 8:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Might have 25 though I found some behind the boxes next to that red iron bldg

[May 17, 2026 at 8:59 PM] Me:
Copy. I'll bring as much as we can fit in the hose bed as well

[May 17, 2026 at 9:00 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Whats the lesson plan tomorrow?

[May 17, 2026 at 9:02 PM] Me:
I've bringing a burn plan, but gonna run 4 first floor fires and then see how performance and time is going

[May 17, 2026 at 9:02 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy. What time are you guys getting in?

[May 17, 2026 at 9:02 PM] Me:
715-730

[May 17, 2026 at 9:03 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Copy.

[May 17, 2026 at 9:03 PM] Me:
We will have our two engines but can use either the tender or trash pump to fill/backup line

[May 17, 2026 at 9:03 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Whatever works best. I am there all day to help

[May 17, 2026 at 9:05 PM] Me:
Copy

[May 18, 2026 at 4:53 PM] Me:
Hey dude, I just completely forgot that I don't think we cleaned up the burrito stuff from lunch on your table. I'm really sorry about leaving a mess.

[May 18, 2026 at 4:53 PM] Me:

Hey dude, I just completely forgot that I don't think we cleaned up the burrito stuff from lunch on your table. I'm really sorry about leaving a mess.

[May 18, 2026 at 5:05 PM] Chad Lavallee:

No worries homie!

[May 19, 2026 at 2:21 PM] Me:

Do you have anyone on shift with you Friday ?

[May 19, 2026 at 2:21 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I should have. Whats up?

[May 19, 2026 at 2:21 PM] Me:

Just trying to game plan staffing to do live fire

[May 19, 2026 at 2:27 PM] Me:

We also don't have anymore pallets to bring and I don't have a trailer. Not sure if you're able to grab more ?

[May 19, 2026 at 2:28 PM] Chad Lavallee:

If I get back early enough friday I can get more. If not I will see if I can get the guys to go get some

[May 19, 2026 at 2:29 PM] Me:

Ok. When do you expect to be back ? I had you listed on burn staffing

[May 19, 2026 at 2:29 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I meant to say thursday

[May 19, 2026 at 2:30 PM] Me:

🤔 you scared me there bro

[May 19, 2026 at 3:04 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I am running on fumes dude

[May 19, 2026 at 3:15 PM] Me:

I bet. Do you need anything from me ?

[May 19, 2026 at 3:15 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I dont think so. I will try to coordinate the pallets

[May 19, 2026 at 3:16 PM] Me:

Ok. Let me know when and where and I can help load and unload

[May 19, 2026 at 3:38 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Will do

[May 20, 2026 at 10:46 AM] Me:

If they close AFR, what happens to the station ?

[May 20, 2026 at 10:46 AM] Chad Lavallee:
It would go up for sale.

[May 20, 2026 at 10:47 AM] Chad Lavallee:
But I may have a way to keep things running even though the levy did not pass.

[May 20, 2026 at 10:47 AM] Me:
Well if it doesn't, I wonder if the college could buy it and then it just becomes our training center

[May 20, 2026 at 10:49 AM] Chad Lavallee:
That would be awesome

[May 20, 2026 at 10:51 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I wonder if we could do a joint station where the college pays off the district debt. In return we do a joint program to staff the station with paid personnel and students. If we had no debt we would have funds to pay other ft folks.

[May 20, 2026 at 10:53 AM] Me:
Well if it looks like it's tracking that way let me know ASAP so I can fly it up the flagpole

[May 20, 2026 at 10:54 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I know the board wants the district to continue. So at that point it will be a staffing issue.

[May 20, 2026 at 10:55 AM] Chad Lavallee:
If we did a joint agreement with the college we could a joint agreement to have the college have unlimited access to station and equipment

[May 20, 2026 at 10:56 AM] Chad Lavallee:
And tbh I am working on keeping it going regardless of levy. I started with a small group. I can keep it going with one

[May 20, 2026 at 11:02 AM] Me:
But aren't you done Friday ?

[May 21, 2026 at 2:32 PM] Chad Lavallee:
We still good for tomorrow?

[May 21, 2026 at 2:33 PM] Me:
Yep, were you able to get some pallets ?

[May 21, 2026 at 2:33 PM] Chad Lavallee:
On my list when i get back tonight

[May 21, 2026 at 2:34 PM] Me:
You're the man. I greatly appreciate you. I know your feeling it right now so thanks

[May 21, 2026 at 2:35 PM] Chad Lavallee:
No problem

[May 22, 2026 at 11:17 AM] Me:
Are you in the board meeting

[May 22, 2026 at 12:59 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Be back shortly

[May 22, 2026 at 12:59 PM] Me:
Ok. You good if we light while your gone ?

[May 22, 2026 at 1:00 PM] Chad Lavallee:
👍

[May 26, 2026 at 4:05 PM] Me:
Are you gonna be able to get a car for Friday or should I have Hayden bring his
DPSST prop?

[May 26, 2026 at 4:11 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I will check on the car first thing in the am

[May 27, 2026 at 8:35 AM] Me:
Do you have someone who can drive your truck on Friday?

Also, could we use your ambulance for a couple medicals? No equipment, just so they
can load up patients etc.

[May 27, 2026 at 8:36 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Yes and yes

[May 28, 2026 at 10:13 AM] Me:
Is it possible to put your overhead radio speakers to a talk around channel &
dispatch calls over it?

[May 28, 2026 at 10:35 AM] Chad Lavallee:
We can put the radio on a training channel.

[May 28, 2026 at 10:36 AM] Me:
Sweet 🙌

[May 28, 2026 at 10:47 AM] Me:
Do you guys have a grill?

[May 28, 2026 at 10:49 AM] Chad Lavallee:
We do not

[May 29, 2026 at 8:22 AM] Me:
You think we will be able to get those pallets going ?

[May 29, 2026 at 8:23 AM] Chad Lavallee:
How many burns do you wanna do?

[May 29, 2026 at 8:23 AM] Me:
I've got 4 on the run sheet with the last one being floor one and two

[May 29, 2026 at 8:26 AM] Chad Lavallee:
We can do our best. I still need more pallets.

[May 29, 2026 at 8:27 AM] Me:
Do we have enough for the first two burns ?

[May 29, 2026 at 8:27 AM] Chad Lavallee:
We have about 10

[May 29, 2026 at 8:27 AM] Chad Lavallee:
But they are wet af

[May 29, 2026 at 8:29 AM] Me:
When we get out there could we get a small fire going in the burn room and try and dry them out ? Bob will bring som dry ones but he isn't coming until 6 for the last two burns

[May 29, 2026 at 8:29 AM] Chad Lavallee:
I may send a couple guys to get more.

[May 29, 2026 at 8:29 AM] Me:
👍

[Jun 2, 2026 at 12:23 PM] Me:
I left Michael's battery charger in the ambulance. Can I grab that at some point ?

[Jun 2, 2026 at 12:23 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Yeah

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:29 AM] Me:
How's things going with AFR bro ?

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:30 AM] Chad Lavallee:
They are going well. Interviewing potential Chiefs, and things are looking good for now.

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:31 AM] Me:
Oh good. Glad to hear they have some applicants.

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:48 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Three is better than nothing.

Did you spec your tower with the burn rooms built in? I was talking to someone from Bend city counsel the other day and was explaining the need for live fire. And they

somewhat got it. Only half blank stares.

I need to reach out to Michael up there. We need to surplus our spare medic. We lost a tender on that fire last week. Blew the head gaskets.

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:56 AM] Me:
I think the full time schedule is what's hard.

I did not, but they are slip in units so if I was able to get approval it's a pretty easy to order.

Ok, I know they put funding in a grant app for an ambulance....but the college would probably love to save some money than a brand new Ambi.

That sucks about the tender !

[Jun 24, 2026 at 8:57 AM] Chad Lavallee:
Thy are old. And the medic we are only asking 15k for. All they would need to do is get the stryker system.

[Jun 24, 2026 at 10:12 AM] Me:
Copy that !

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:53 PM] Me:
What's your thoughts on me scheduling live fire with AFR? Should we wait for a new chief ?

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:53 PM] Chad Lavallee:
What dates?

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:54 PM] Me:
8/12, 8/13, 8/20

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Got you scheduled.

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Me:


[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
I will relay if there is a new Chief by them and advise that since we have you on the calendar that we need to accommodate that

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Me:
That's helpful. Thank you

[Jun 30, 2026 at 1:58 PM] Chad Lavallee:
If we dont move I am going to ask to stay on as an ops Chief

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:00 PM] Me:

Volunteer ?

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:02 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Yeah, just as a volunteer.

My big thing is I dont want to see this place go under. I want to see it thrive.

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:26 PM] Me:

Gotcha.

I mean to your point when we last chatted, if the community doesn't want to pay for it then your hands are tied. There isn't much thriving that can be done with no money

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:27 PM] Chad Lavallee:

True. But I think I might try to convince the new Chief to go for another levy in Nov to pay for at least one position.

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:44 PM] Me:

They gotta do something. The Chief can't do it all

[Jun 30, 2026 at 2:45 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Agreed

[Jul 13, 2026 at 3:00 PM] Me:

Will there be anyone there tomorrow ? If not, what's the door code ?

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:49 PM] Me:

Do you have any spare 2.5" hard suction we can draft with ?

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:50 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Check the type 4.  it would be up in the hose bed if we do

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:51 PM] Me:

Copy. Thanks

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:52 PM] Chad Lavallee:

You bet.

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:52 PM] Me:

Are you ok with me pulling it forward to get it out

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:52 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Yeah

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:53 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Just make sure you have a spotter backing it up lol

[Jul 14, 2026 at 1:53 PM] Me:

You got it 🙏

[Jul 14, 2026 at 3:40 PM] Me:

When we are done how do you want us to leave the tower so it dries out

[Jul 14, 2026 at 3:40 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Just leave a couple lower doors open

[Jul 14, 2026 at 4:01 PM] Me:

Ok, since your gone I can come back and close them

[Jul 14, 2026 at 4:01 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Bo worries. I can have someone do it. I am back thurs

[Jul 14, 2026 at 4:47 PM] Me:

Copy that. We are cleaning up. Thanks for the use 🙏

[Jul 14, 2026 at 5:08 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Anytime bro

[Aug 4, 2026 at 4:10 PM] Me:

Checking in to confirm our usage next Wednesday and Thursday. How's your pallet situation?

[Aug 4, 2026 at 4:13 PM] Chad Lavallee:

You guys are still good. I may or may not be off this fire in Prineville. I have not looked at pallets as I have been out for the last 20 days. But can have someone go by

[Aug 4, 2026 at 4:41 PM] Me:

Ok, copy that !

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:08 AM] Me:

Are you on the Rowe creek complex ?

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:09 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Yes Sir

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:09 AM] Me:

Where you at ?

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:12 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Between lima and nov divs. Out 26 where shit hit the fan yesterday

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:28 AM] Me:

Oh nice. I'm in mill creek today. Do you have your guys type 3 out there?

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:29 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Yeah. The type 6 on days, tender on nights

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:50 AM] Chad Lavallee:

I have been out on fires for 24 days now

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:52 AM] Me:

Nice work. I just didn't see ya on the IAP so was curious where you were working

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:53 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Lima. And the iap for this fire has been fucked up for 15 days. Keeps showing my ff no matter how many times I ask for it to be changed. It shows buddy payne

[Aug 8, 2026 at 11:55 AM] Me:

Ah gotcha

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:43 PM] Me:

Are you gonna be at training tomorrow? If not, do I need to notify dispatch or anything else logistically like that?

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:44 PM] Chad Lavallee:

I am still on the fire till thurs night. You will just need to notify dispatch that you're doing training burns out there. Give them a start in an end time. Sorry I can't be there. You will also need some pallets. I drove by there and it looks like there's not a lot of out there let me know if you need anything and the place is yours.

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:46 PM] Me:

Copy that, we will give them a shout. Riley and I brought some out today 📞 Can we use either a tender or that trash pump for secondary water source?

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:46 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Prob the trash pump. Board may throw a tantrum if no one is there to run the tender

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:47 PM] Me:

Easy peasy. We will just have it in place. I won't run it. Itll just be sitting there to check the box. We aren't getting into anything super aggressive

[Aug 11, 2026 at 5:48 PM] Chad Lavallee:

👌 enjoy

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:43 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Hey good morning keep in mind that when you guys are using the training room in the bathrooms that there is a board meeting tonight at 6:30 if you guys could keep it somewhat clean that would be great thank you

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:44 AM] Me:

Yes sir. You know how we roll, we will fully clean up. And I won't leave my lunchbox 📞

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:45 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Have fun man burn it good

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:46 AM] Me:



[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:47 AM] Me:

Since your gone do you want us to fully extinguish when we are done or still leave it smoldering ?

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:47 AM] Chad Lavallee:

Smoldering is fine on 1. Out on 2

[Aug 12, 2026 at 7:48 AM] Chad Lavallee:

If you really want smoke, have a bunch of the students pull all the weeds from around the tower and throw them in the burn box lol

[Aug 12, 2026 at 9:20 AM] Me:

Do you know where the torch is ?

[Aug 12, 2026 at 9:37 AM] Chad Lavallee:

I do not.

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:02 PM] Me:

Can I get a number for your board member mark? He wanted to know our plan tomorrow but I didn't get a number

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:05 PM] Chad Lavallee: [Attachment]

[No Text]

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:05 PM] Me:

Thanks bro !

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:06 PM] Chad Lavallee:

You bet. Hope it went well today

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:06 PM] Me:

Went great. Got some good evolutions. Got one more then done

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:07 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Nice!

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:08 PM] Me:

Not sure what this porta tank was for but it's full now

[Aug 12, 2026 at 3:09 PM] Chad Lavallee:

They used it for drafting training. Thank you for filling it up

[Aug 13, 2026 at 4:24 PM] Me:

Just giving you a heads up - no injuries, but had a close call with PPE. One of the students stood up during a can drill and glazed his helmet and mask.

[Aug 13, 2026 at 4:25 PM] Chad Lavallee:

Bet he wont do that again

[Aug 13, 2026 at 4:25 PM] Me:
He sure will not

[Aug 13, 2026 at 4:26 PM] Me: [Attachment]
[No Text]

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:47 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Fuck yeah bro!

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:48 PM] Chad Lavallee:
That means you had good heat

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:53 PM] Me:
Honestly, everyone else said it didn't seem more than usually. But turns out you can't stand up directly in the threshold of the burn room when it's actively rolling out 🤔

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:54 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Yeah, thats not so smart

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:54 PM] Me:
I think viz was so low him and the instructor didn't realize how close they were to the burn room

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:55 PM] Me:
But either way, he had no reason to stand up

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:55 PM] Chad Lavallee:
No instructor tics?

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:56 PM] Me:
They left it outside on that one. Unfortunately

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:56 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Ahh

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:58 PM] Me:
Couple fails on our part. No tic, burn package was probably a bit much, interior didn't communicate the need for the safety line soon enough, and not maintaining immediate accountability and allowing him to stand up

[Aug 13, 2026 at 5:59 PM] Chad Lavallee:
Shit happens bro, thats why we train in controlled environments. And there os no such thing as a bot much on the burn package 😊