

POUDRE CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

NEWSLETTER ~ OCTOBER 2018



IMPROVING THE DISTRICT UPDATE

On September 6, 2018, CLPFEG received the USDA monies at 3.5%, to pay off the 4.78% Wells Fargo lease and begin the new Station 4. Due to increases in construction costs, and the board's decision to borrow a lesser amount: 1.5M, (of which \$750,000 paid off the Wells Fargo lease so both Stations 1 & 2 are free of any encumbrance), the original Station 4 design has changed to a large pole shed. Until more funds are available, it will basically be a three-bay garage, two bathrooms and a training area. It will have a well, 2400 gallons of water storage, a septic system and room to park the trucks! As funds and manpower become available, finishing touches such as interior paint, tile, carpet, trim, furnishings, a kitchen and an office area will be added to make it an appealing building the district will be proud of. Our building plans are in the process of being approved by the county, and dirt should be moving in the very near future!

If you want more information, please refer to the article in our previous February 2018 newsletter. If you missed that article, or are a new property owner, it can be found on our department website at PoudreCanyonFireDistrict.org, under the tab "News and Articles".

FROM THE CHIEF

With the recent Seaman Wildfire burning 213 acres down by Gateway Park and threatening residents on Manners Lane and Smith Bridge, it brings to mind once again how important the reverse 911 notifications are. To sign up or check on your current settings, go to leta911.org. By signing up you will be able to receive alerts on your mobile phone in the form of texts, voice calls and emails. Landlines are automatically alerted.



Big Al's gave \$1,400 to the district by collecting donations in August.

CHILI COOK-OFF & FUNDRAISER

The 7th Annual Chili Cook-off and Fundraiser on, April 7th raised over \$20,000. We want to thank everyone who donated and worked to make this such a success!

SLASH PILE BURNING AND CHIPPING

You can always burn your own slash piles following the conditions set forth in the permit for open burning. If you don't follow those conditions, or burn without a permit, you may get a visit from a Sheriff's deputy. If you want the department to assist you with the burning slash, please take the following steps;

1. Get a burn permit from the county
<https://www.larimer.org/health/clean-air-water-and-soil/air-quality/burn-permit>
2. Send the approved permit number to Greg Venette (gvenette5455@msn.com) along with a note authorizing the Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District to burn on your property. The department will burn your slash as conditions allow, including:
 1. Adequate distance of the pile from structures, trees, or other heavy vegetation
 2. No oversized limbs or root balls in the pile
 3. Adequate snow cover
 4. Availability of volunteers to monitor burning

If you want assistance with chipping your slash pile, contact your local Station Captain. Limitations on chipping include:

1. Nothing larger than 4" in diameter
2. Availability of volunteers to assist with chipping
3. Availability of homeowner or representative **to assist with chipping**



Seaman Wildfire

CACHE LA POUFRE FIRE AND EMERGENCY GROUP, INC. also known as CLPFEG is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation that was formed to raise and provide resources on behalf of the Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District. This organization was established in 2005 by a group of canyon residents who were deeply concerned by the ongoing struggle the fire district faced for funding; so therefore, it focuses on fund-raising, supporting fire and emergency services in the district. As a non-profit corporation CLPFEG is able to offer the benefits of tax-exempt donations to its contributors. Board members from left to right are Ralph Matzner, Bette Blinde, James Ingram, Jennifer Everett, Ron Lonneman and Brett Ridges



KINGS SOOPER REWARD CARDS

Our King Soopers reward cards program brought in \$2,624 in 2017. It's easy, call Elaine Danhoff at 881-2202, she has cards and details.

FIRE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Find out more about the fire district by attending one of the board meetings. They are every second Wednesday of the month. Odd months are at the Lower Community Center. Even months are at the Upper Community Center.



SWING STATION PIG ROAST RAISES OVER \$10,000

Pig roast at the Swing Station in Laporte raised \$10,000 for the district. Folks enjoyed the music and good food. Thank you to Andy Metten, Caleb Brown, Kellie Falbo, Tony Falbo, Heather Allshouse and everyone who helped to make it a fun success!

AMAZON

Do you shop at Amazon? If you do, you can help the fire department by switching to shopping at Amazon Smile. At this site Amazon gives a percentage of your bill back to a not-for-profit of your choice. If you choose Cache la Poudre Fire and Emergency Group, then you will be helping the fire department.



FIRE BOARD MEMBERS:

- Brett Ridges 970 881-2336
- Gene Mericle 970 219-4700
- Bette Blinde 970 881-2902
- Paula Collins 970 881-2472
- Greg Danhoff 970 881-2202



Click on picture to donate