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Emergency Fire Call # - 719-275-3058

President, Board of Directors, TVFP
By Fred Arnold (Phone 719-371-1521)

Hello everyone,

2010 is here and the New Year has brought cold temperatures. This means that heating appliances are working hard. Sometimes heating appliances malfunction causing a fire and sometimes heating appliances are misused or poorly maintained causing a fire. Do not use an appliance for heating your home that is not designed for that purpose. For example, gas kitchen stoves are not to be used to heat your home. Dangerous amounts of carbon monoxide could buildup if your stove is left on for an extended period of time. Portable heating units should only be used according to the manufacturer's instructions. Also, check your furnace filters. A clean filter is safer and will allow your furnace to operate more efficiently. Also, be sure to check your chimney for buildup of creosote. If the buildup of soot is more than ¼ of an inch you should clean your chimney.

Check your smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and portable fire extinguishers monthly. A fire can occur at anytime and anywhere. Be aware of your surroundings because you can prevent most fires.

Until next time stay warm and be safe,

May God Bless

TVFP MEETINGS

The next meeting is a regular board meeting, but everyone in our service area is invited to attend. It will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, **February 13, 2010** at the Party Shack at the Skyline Razor Ridge Park (at the entrance to Skyline Drive, two miles west of Cañon City on Highway 50).

The March meeting is also a regular board meeting, but anyone in our service area is welcome to attend. It will be held on Saturday, **March 13, 2010**.

For a controlled burn or to report a fire, dial

719-275-3058.

For all other emergencies dial 911.

ON THE FIRE LINE

The year ahead brings new challenges. We are trying to pursue grants and hopefully attain a new building. Last year TVFP responded to only 5 incidents. The moisture that we had kept the fire activity low. I also want to thank those of you who use proper control measures when doing vegetation burns. This is a good time of the year to burn any slash piles. Spring usually has more wind due to the seasons changing. So if you have any pile burning to do, then use the snow time to help keep the fire in control.

Always, your support to TVFP is greatly appreciated!

Respectfully,
Erik Johnson, Fire Chief

ANNUAL MEETING COMING SOON

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend! TVFP's 2010 Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 17. Watch for more details in upcoming editions of the Smoke Signals.

MAILING LIST UPDATES

Every effort is made to send the Smoke Signals to everyone who owns property in TVFP's service area. However, TVFP needs your help to keep its address list up-to-date. If you receive this newsletter but have a neighbor who does not (or if you sell your property in northwest Fremont County), please let TVFP know! To get in touch with TVFP, you can:

- send an e-mail to:
mailinglist@tallahasseevfd.com
- call Robin Nelson at 719-269-8942, or
- drop a note to:
TVFP
Attn: Secretary
662 Wapiti Trail
Cañon City, CO 81212

Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection, Inc. Profit & Loss Statement December 2009

Income

Contributions Income		
Donations 2010	690.00	
Total Contributions Income		690.00
Grants		
BBF Grant	250.00	
Total Grants		250.00
Interest Income-Canon Natl.		55.97
Sale of Equipment		3,300.00
Total Income		4,295.97

Expense

Misc. Building Expenses		160.00
Office Supplies		
Ink/Paper/Labels	13.82	
Total Office Supplies		13.82
Printing and Reproduction		891.44
Rent		50.00
Snow Removal		90.00
Telephone		
Answering Service	79.27	
Pager Expense	117.73	
Telephone - Other	28.23	
Total Telephone		225.23
Truck Maintenance		
Gasoline/Oil	118.81	
Total Truck Maintenance		118.81
Utilities		
Propane	393.83	
Total Utilities		393.83
Total Expense		1,943.13

Net Income **2,352.84**

ATTENTION FIREFIGHTERS: IT'S TIME TO START PACKIN'!

This year's Red Card Pack Test will be on Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 9:00 AM at the Riverwalk, starting at the trailhead at South 9th Street and Sells Road. Also, Erik or Gordon will call to let you know when firefighter training will be scheduled.

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