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Emergency Fire Call # - 719-275-3058

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

Hello everyone,

Dialing 911 in case of an emergency is something that we have all learned to do. However, when it comes to reporting a fire in the TVFP area, dialing 911 will increase the time it takes for our firefighters to respond to the call, because the call does not go directly to our dispatch. Please dial **275-3058** when reporting a fire. This telephone number is manned all the time and when they receive a call they will immediately call our firefighting personnel. Also, please be very concise about the location of the fire. The more details we have, the quicker we will arrive at the fire.

Fire Tip of the Month: Lightning season is upon us. Please watch for smoke to appear, especially the day following lightning activity.

Thanks again and until next time,
May God Bless

DID YOU KNOW?

In the first few years of TVFP's history, its annual meetings were held at various locations, including a fire station, the National Guard Armory, and a restaurant — all less than ideal locations for one reason or another. However, for the past six years, through the generosity of Tim and Donna Logsdon, the annual meetings have been held in a fabulous location — the Logsdon's beautiful show barn. This is a wonderful facility, perfectly located with plenty of parking, protection from the elements, a real floor and even indoor plumbing. In addition, the Logsdons have supported TVFP with their ad for **Soaring Eagle Excavation** in the *Smoke Signals*. The TVFP Board of Directors would like to express its deepest thanks to Tim and Donna for their generosity and support over the years. If you see Tim or Donna, please be sure to let them know how much you appreciate all the support they have given to TVFP.

TVFP MEETINGS

The next meeting is a combined board and member meeting. Everyone in our service area is invited to attend. It will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, **June 12, 2010** at the Party Shack at the Skyline Razor Ridge Park (at the entrance to Skyline Drive, on Highway 50 two miles west of Cañon City).

The July meeting is also a combined board and member meeting. It will be held on Saturday, **July 10, 2010**.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

According to the US Fire Administration, electrical fires in the home claim the lives of 485 Americans each year and injure 2,305 more. The tips below could help avoid many of these fires:

- If an electrical cord shows any signs of damage, have it replaced immediately.
- If a tool or appliance overheats, gives off smoke, sparks, has an unusual smell, or causes even small electrical shocks, unplug it immediately. Discard it or have it repaired before using it.
- Never put anything metallic in a microwave oven.
- Never use an electrical appliance near sinks, toilets or bathtubs. If an electrical appliance falls into water, immediately unplug it.
- Keep combustible items away from heat-producing appliances such as ovens or heaters.
- Use three-pronged outlets for three-pronged electrical devices. Never cut off or bend the grounding pin on the plug.
- Do not overload extension cords or electrical outlets.
- Never run an electrical cord under a rug or mat where damage can go unnoticed.
- To unplug an appliance, pull on the plug, not the cord.
- Before buying an electrical appliance make sure it has been tested by a nationally recognized laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Use fuses that are the correct size.
- Make sure that any repairs to wiring or outlets are done by a qualified electrician.

NOTE: Electrical fires are “Class C” fires. Many home fire extinguishers are rated as “ABC” and can be used on electrical fires. NEVER use water on an electrical fire (or on a grease fire — use a “Class K” fire extinguisher for a grease fire).

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

In the current economy, everyone is looking at their bottom line and questioning the value they receive for every penny they spend. That includes the businesses who advertise in the *Smoke Signals*. Think about it... would you continue to pay for an ad that never seemed to bring you any business?

Please mention to TVFP’s advertisers that you saw their ad in the *Smoke Signals*, especially if you do business with them.

Tallahassee Volunteer Fire Protection, Inc. Profit & Loss Statement April 2010

Income

Advertising Income	150.00
Contributions Income	
Donations 2010	12,175.00
Total Contributions Income	12,175.00
Interest Income-Canon Natl.	47.91

Total Income 12,372.91

Expense

Awards/Gifts	32.07
Food/Firefighters	
Annual Meeting Expense	615.19
Total Food/Firefighters	615.19
Insurance	
Liability Insurance	-194.00
Total Insurance	-194.00
Postage Expense	500.00
Rent	50.00
Snow Removal	135.00
Telephone	
Answering Service	82.52
Pager Expense	128.60
Telephone - Other	28.08
Total Telephone	239.20
Truck Maintenance	
E26	-10.00
Gasoline/Oil	86.74
Total Truck Maintenance	76.74
T-Shirts/Caps	-128.00
Utilities	
Propane	296.18
Total Utilities	296.18

Total Expense 1,622.38

Net Income **10,750.53**

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

**For a controlled burn or to report a fire, dial
719-275-3058.
For all other emergencies dial 911.**

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