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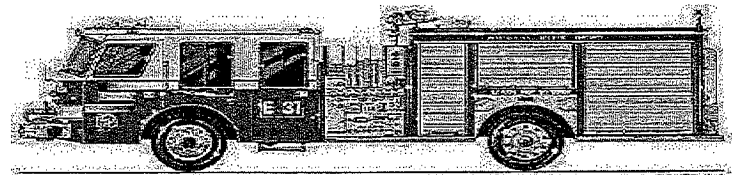
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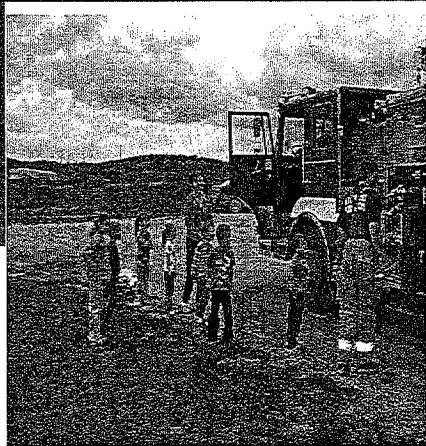
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During their Summer Program, children at Livermore Community Church Vacation Bible School get to see how our Firefighters from Livermore Protection Fire District keep our Community safe!



LFPD Crew brought fire trucks out so the kids can see all the fire fighting equipment up close.

Gay Reynolds and Deb Payne show kids the medical kit, letting them become familiar with some of the equipment so it won't be so scary to them if they or a family member were treated in the future.



A K-9 Unit was brought out to show kids how dogs are expertly trained to assist in emergencies.



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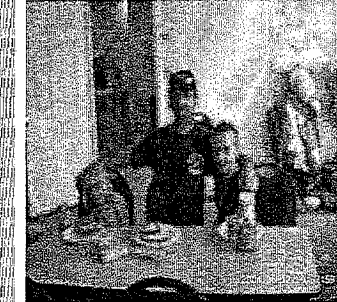
# SUMMER NEWSLETTER

## Livermore Fire Protection District

### LIVERMORE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, July 4, 2009. While other families were gearing up for barbeques and fireworks, Livermore Fire was gearing up for its annual Open House. Hoping to capture some of the traffic thru Livermore on their way to other festivities, members opened up Station 1 to the general public

from 10 AM to 4 PM. Firefighters and their families gave out fire protection and volunteer information as well as fire and safety edu-



tion sources. This year we have had several weeks of wet weather and lightning with rain. This has impacted the situation greatly but perhaps temporarily. Cool weather, higher humidity, and higher fuel moisture puts a damper (pardon the pun) on fires. Even with frequent lightning nothing has started. As we near the end of July, there has still have not been any fires in Livermore.

enough funds; and even performed live music! There was a steady supply of community members that dropped by to visit, eat, and shake hands throughout the day. After the event, several LFPD members took equipment and headed out to Red Feather Lakes to watch fireworks and offer mutual stand by aid to that fire agency. Livermore Fire is hoping to make this a regular event that the community could look forward to every summer.



### Slow Fire Season....So Far

Fire fighters are often asked, "How bad do you think the wild fires will be this year?"

The best reply is, "We'll let you know in December." There are so many factors that go into creating a fire that predicting how bad a summer season will be, is pretty much just a guess.

The biggest factors that create a bad fire season are available fuels, fuels with low moisture content, low relative humidity, and igni-

tion sources. This year we have had several weeks of wet weather and lightning with rain. This has impacted the situation greatly but perhaps temporarily. Cool weather, higher humidity, and higher fuel moisture puts a damper (pardon the pun) on fires. Even with frequent lightning nothing has started. As we near the end of July, there has still have not been any fires in Livermore.

The Livermore area is very green

with lots of tall grasses. So we now have a lot of available fuel.

At this time it's still too green to readily burn, but when it dries and if the relative humidity drops below 30%, then watch out! All it will take is some dry lightning or carelessness with fires and the situation could change quickly.

We'll let you know in December how the fire season has been.

For now, so far so good!

**Cooking Fire**

**Facts and Figures**

Cooking fires are the leading cause of home structure fires and associated civilian injuries.

Ranges accounted for the largest share (67%) of home cooking fire incidents in 2005. Ovens accounted for 19%.

12% of the fires occurred when something that could catch fire was too close to the equipment.

Three-fifths (59%) of reported home cooking fire injuries occurred when victims tried to fight the fire themselves.

Don't try to fight a kitchen fire by yourself, call the Fire Department. They are here to assist and keep you safe.

**Special District Office Openings Spring 2010**

Support the firefighters by donating 10-20 hours a month as a volunteer member of the board of directors for the Fire Protection District. Directors meet once a month at Fire Station #1, 311 W. 74th E. in Livermore for approximately 90 minutes. Special projects such as insurance reviews, strategic planning, small construction, apparatus procurement, district expansion and fund raising are projects that the board regularly conducts. Directors also manage the donations, grants, and tax revenue that is generated by the property taxes of landowners in the 310 square miles known as the Livermore Fire Protection District. The board appoints the Fire Chief and

conducts all contracting for the Fire District. All fire directors are also members of the Pension Board, which meets approximately twice a year in conjunction with a regularly scheduled board meeting.

Directors are reimbursed for expenses and may be eligible for a monthly stipend, although all sitting directors have historically waived the stipend. The board operates in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes, and uses Roberts Rules of Order for meeting protocol. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how municipal government functions, regard-

ing local budgets, contracting, and elections. All director positions are elected officials, although for the past decade, almost all directors have been appointed under election rules, due to lack of candidates competing for general election. The positions are non-partisan with a four year commitment.

If you are interested in exploring this opportunity, please contact Director Diane Watkins or William Moore at (970) 482-6508. You are invited to attend any board meeting held the third Tuesday of every month at 5:00 P.M. You have until February 2010 to make your decision and declare your candidacy.

**Qualifications To Declare Candidacy For Director Position**

1. Registered to vote in Colorado pursuant to the Uniform Collection Code of 1992.
2. Be a resident of the District for not less than 30 days and/or a person who or whose spouse owns (or is obligated to pay taxes under a contract to purchase) taxable real or personal property situated within the district.
3. Will faithfully perform the duties of this office as required by the law.
4. Will support the Constitution of the United States.
5. Will support the constitution of the State of Colorado and the laws made pursuant thereto.
6. Familiar with the Provision of

The Fair Campaign Practices Act as required in CRS 1-45-110.

These qualifications are also required for special appointment, even if the position reverts from contest.

Livermore Fire Protection District is committed to equal opportunity for all applicants and volunteers.

Call Diane Watkins or William Moore for more information at (970) 482-6508.

**SURPRISING FACTS**

The majority of Americans deceive themselves into thinking they are adequately prepared in case of home fires, but in reality most are not, according to a survey this summer by Duracell batteries.

95 percent of the U.S. population: Never practice home fire drills.

77 percent: Haven't checked to see if escape windows can be opened.

48 percent: Never or seldom replace smoke-alarm batteries.

60 percent: Have a plan that ensures the evacuation of

40 percent: Have a plan that ensures the evacuation of "senior adults" who live in their homes.

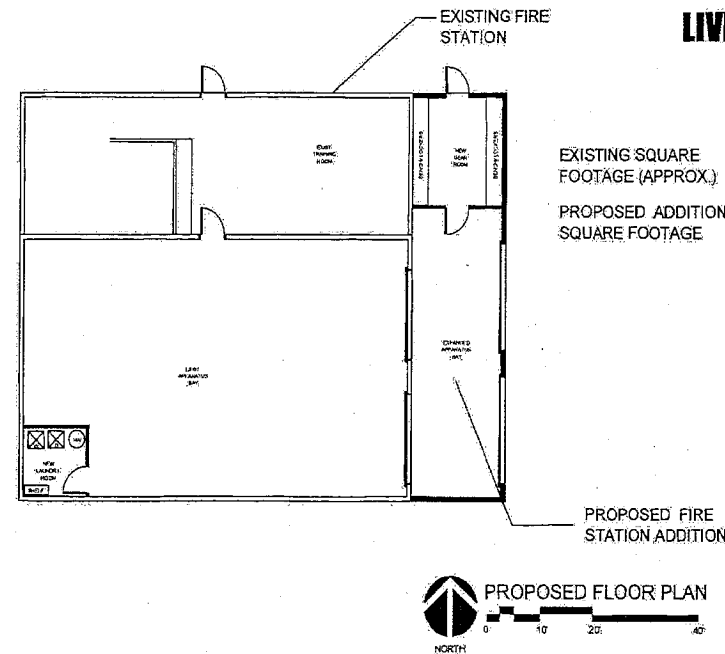
A Fire Safety Checklist, placed where the whole family can see it, is a great way to keep everyone prepared and safe from harm!

Old Fire Saying Goes:

When you are Tempted to fight Fire with fire.....

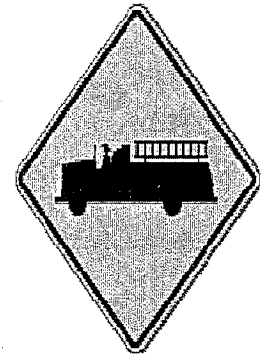
Remember that the Fire Department Usually uses water

**Proposed Expansion Plan Of Volunteer Livermore Fire Station**



**LIVERMORE FIRE STATION**  
County Road 74E  
Livermore, Colorado

EXISTING SQUARE FOOTAGE (APPROX.) 2300 S.F.  
PROPOSED ADDITIONAL SQUARE FOOTAGE 552 S.F.



PRELIMINARY NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

**A Buck An Acre**

No time to volunteer, but you still want to help LFPD? The average landowner in the district pays about \$3 per acre/per year for fire and emergency medical services in the form of property taxes. LFPD has not raised the mill levy in over a decade and has one of the lowest mill levies in the country. Our five hundred square foot Fire Station #1 expansion is estimated to cost about

\$94,000 above and beyond our annual budget which is completely absorbed by equipment, fuel, energy and training costs. It will allow safe and secure entry and exit of current fire apparatus and support space for firefighters to dress and maintain their equipment. You can help the building fund by donating one additional

dollar per acre directly to LFPD, P.O. Box 28, Livermore Co. 80536. Donate as a holiday gift to friends and family and your donation will be acknowledged by a hand made card featuring LFPD Fire-fighting activities mailed directly to the party that you designate. Help us improve the safety of our firefighters so that they may better help you.

Our Firefighters work very hard to keep all of us safe.

Please help them reach their goal for the new expansion.

Your donations will aide in their ability to better serve our community.