



CRYSTAL PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2007 UPDATE

1. Training continues and as the wildland fire season comes to a close, and this month there wasn't any let up putting us ahead for next year. We had 2 firefighters (FF Davis and FF Leander) successfully complete the MSFD Probationary Course (Basic Firefighter) bringing our structure firefighting capability to 5 fully trained firefighters. In addition, 3 more firefighters completed their wildfire training at the Colorado Fire Camp in Salida bringing our wildfire response capability to 8 fully training wildland firefighters. The next major training sessions will not occur until 2008. *We have exceeded our 2007 projected training goals...thank you to the volunteers who gave their time!*

 CPVFD Capabilities Roster	BASIC FF COURSE	FF 1	WILDLAND S130/190	RED CARDS	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE	HAZMAT OPS	NIMS CERTS	CPR	1ST RESPONDER	EMT-B
<i>Firefighters</i>										
JOHN HENNESSEY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
PAUL WELSCH	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
SEAN COLLINS	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	Wilderness Only	
DAVE GREENHALGH	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
STEVE LEANDER	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
RYAN FONKERT	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
JIM MESIROW	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		FUTURE TRAINING
PHIL DAY	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
ADAM SAND	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
CHARLES DAVIS	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		
<i>Associate Volunteers</i>										
MIKE DOUGHTY							✓			
JIM TERBUSH							✓			
DICK O'BRIEN							✓			

2. Continued CPVFD monthly business meetings second Monday of each month; last meeting was 10 Sep at the station.
 - a. Significant discussion regarding the CWPP "Shelter-in-Place (SIP)". Determined that the grant process will not support construction of a SIP; the next option is that we likely will have to cover the cost with the HOA; we are now looking at cost for materials and the CPVFD would supply the labor to construct. This should be discussed at the next HOA BoD meeting.
3. We conducted training with the 2500 gallon Port-a-Tank (PaT); this piece of equipment is critical for us in staging water at a fire scene, especially a structure fire as it enables MSFD Eng 1 to have a water source; operating procedure will be for Tender 960 to ferry water for the PaT; also became familiar with the new Tender 1 apparatus at MSFD to include their PaT; unclear at this point whether Tender 1 will be allowed out of the MS District (similar to Engine 2)
4. Requested additional GSA wildfire PPE; thanks to the Forest Service for placing this order for us.
5. Chief Hennessey's structure fire "bunker gear" arrived and is in service. Although we are set for the Wildland PPE, in 2008 we will need additional PPE for our structure FFs since Manitou Springs will be limited regarding what they will supply us.

6. Conducted two Firewise assessment in Crystal Park; residents desiring an assessment should contact the CPVFD
7. Received an additional donated computer system from Imprimis, Inc.; thanks FF Adam Sand for working this with his employer.
8. Continue to support MSFD emergency response calls; most recent calls were High Angle Rescue at Rainbow Falls Bridge, lost child, vehicle accidents and medicals.
9. Received another free Indian Pack from Woodman Valley Fire District
10. Supported the MSFD "Fill The Boot" fundraiser Labor Day weekend; great success with all proceeds going to MDA
11. Obtained siren and speaker for Tender 960; will need same for Brush 940 next fire season; should be noted that the Brush F-450 is not adequate to haul the water skid; the Department has started to look at other opportunities
12. Received Federal ID Number so that we could open a bank account; this now requires us to initiate 501(c)(3) paperwork with the IRS; request support from the HOA to obtain support from a company to help us with this intense effort
13. We continue to complete the State paperwork to allow us to officially obtain Workman's Comp (as a result of 12. above); this should be completed in the next couple weeks.
14. Upcoming Events:
 - a. October 7-13: "National Fire Prevention Week"; theme is *Practice Your Escape Plan*; all residents should review the Crystal Park Evacuation Plan and review their personal residence escape plan with their families
 - b. October 13: Joint Force Exercise (JFX) being planned between MSFD and CPVFD that will exercise response to a vehicle accident requiring high angle rescue, medical, vehicle extraction and fire capability. *Look out for fire apparatus on the main road.*
 - c. October 15: Reconfiguration of Brush 940 back to snowplow status; at this point we will not have a fire apparatus other than Tender 960
 - d. November 3: "CPVFD Town Hall" to include Penrose Flight for Life Breakfast for residents; Fire Extinguisher Demonstration and Town Hall discussion with CPVFD staff ... *still working Ft Carson support*
 - e. CPVFD "**I SUPPORT**" Fundraiser will continue through next few months; T-shirts on sale in the CP Office...please buy a t-shirt for yourself and the kids to support the CPVFD