

Glacier View Fire Protection District

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Message from the Chief

Warren Jones



Greeting residents and property owns of the Glacier View Fire District.

It's my honor and privilege to serve you and our members as Fire Chief. I'm not new to the district, my wife Sue Hewitt and I retired as GVFD firefighters in 2015. We've lived in the district full-time since 2002. I'm also not new to the fire service. I served 27 years with Poudre Fire

Authority and eight years with the Evans Fire District. I have extensive experience in all aspects of fire and emergency service management. I started my career as volunteer in the early 1970's, and I'm happy to finish it as a volunteer here. I'm pleased to report that we're making great progress on many fronts. We've increased our emergency responder membership, added new logistics volunteers, increased training and improved our equipment and apparatus. All our members are stepping up to improve the services we provide to our citizens and property owners. In 2018 you demonstrated your confidence in us by increasing the property tax mill levy. We are using these new funds to improve our current and future services. One of my highest priorities is to make sure we fulfill the confidence you've shown in us.

Right now, we're facing two serious challenges. The first is the coronavirus pandemic. This has changed all our lives in many ways. We must take special precautions on all emergency responses and in all our routine activities to protect ourselves and you. Second, as I write this, we're in the midst of a heat wave and it doesn't look like we'll have the usual July monsoon. This means the wildfire risk will be very high. I think you all know that we live in a high fire risk environment. Both of these require efforts by all of us to control the risk to each of us individually, and our community as whole. Finally, I want to recognize all the people who have served our community as firefighters, EMTs, logistics volunteers and Board members. Their efforts have put us in the position to

make the advancements we're making now. I know the work past chiefs have done and the contributions, and sacrifices they made. Thank you to Greg Niswender, Bob Isaacson, Todd Westfall, Jim Perry and especially Vanessa Fournier.

Respectfully,

Warren Jones, Fire Chief "Together We Succeed"

NEW MEMBER DRIVE

GVFD held an Open New Volunteer Open House on Wednesday, June 17th

Meet your newest Volunteer Firefighters: Adam Ankele, Art Jossart, Cheryl Franz, Jim Perry, Peter Henderson, Josh Kasik, Eric Ford, Steve Groteke, Seth Gibbs, Andy Brown, and Donnie Smith

Several members will be attending EMR classes this Fall to become Emergency Medical Responders

Peter Henderson has recently moved to Glacier View Meadows and is a Paramedic in Thornton

Thank you for serving with GVFPD!

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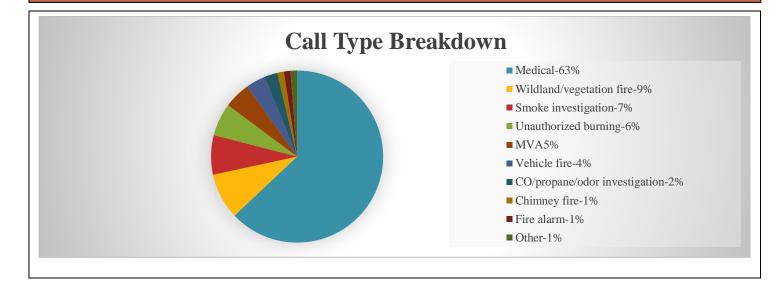
SLASH PILE BURNING

The Slash Pile Burn!

Glacier View Fire Protection District was able to complete two successful slash Pile Burns this past fire season. One was the Red Feather Highlands Slash Pile, the other was the Glacier View Meadows slash pile in the 12th filing.

Your fire department makes every effort to burn the community slash pile. Every year requirements and resource coordination become more complicated. Please help us by insuring you follow the community "rules" for the slash piles and be patient with us when we are unable to burn a slash pile. For more information please feel free to call the Glacier View Fire Protection District: 970.493.3353.

2019 ANNUAL REPORT OF GVFD FF/EMS RESPONSE – provided by Bridget Knox



GVFD – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Your Glacier View Fire District Board of Directors thanks you for your support!

Without your strong support from the 2018 mill levy increase and your donations our ability to continue providing our communities the best medical and fire services possible would be compromised. As funds have become available in 2020 it has been our top priority to purchase new Personal Protection Equipment for both our Firefighters and EMTs. Our EMS supplies have been stocked, all fire apparatus is getting annual maintenance checks, and training has been established for both our older full volunteer members and new probationary members. During our New Volunteer Open House in June, we brought on 11 new members bringing us to 23 FF/EMS members.

With your renewed faith in Glacier View Fire Protection District we can continue to do our best to provide well trained and fully responsive fire and medical services.

Steve Switzer – President Randy Golden – Vice President Paul Lameiro - Secretary David Thompson – Treasurer Bill Salmon - Director

COVID-19

Here at GVFD we're happy that some of the restrictions that we've become accustomed to related to the Coronavirus pandemic are starting to ease. We've been able to reinstate most of or training activities, as well as routine contact with the residents of the district. However, even though here in Larimer County we are in a favorable situation as compared to many other areas, the infection rate has ticked up.

This pandemic has been and continues to be a true public health emergency. We're continuing to implement the precautions of social distancing, limiting the number of people in our facilities, disinfecting our facilities and equipment, and wearing facial coverings as described in the Larimer County Safer at Home program. The Larimer County Health Department is the lead agency on the pandemic and they provide up to date information on their website, https://www.larimer.org/health/communicable-disease/coronavirus-covid-19.

On all calls for service, our personnel will be wearing at least a facial covering. For medical emergencies we use special personal protective equipment of a N95 mask, goggles, gloves, and gown depending on the risk of the patient contact. These same precautions will be taken by the UCHealth Ambulance crew that responds with us. These special PPE precautions will be in place into the foreseeable future. These precautions are intended to protect our citizens and patients, and to ensure that our first responders are protected so that they can continue to respond to emergencies. It also reduces the possibility that the disease spreads further.

GVFD MEMBER RECOGNITION – MEET THE MEMBER



GVFD extends its gratitude to Rose Simmons for her 10 years of volunteer service with the fire department.

Rose started her fire journey in 2001in Georgia. She began as a first responder and was then encouraged to attend a fire training academy. In 2007 Rose completed Nursing school in Athens, Georgia. She served on Danielsville Fire Department until 2009 when she moved to Colorado. She joined the Glacier View Fire Protection District in 2010 as a Firefighter/EMT where she currently serves as a volunteer. Rose is a cardiac nurse for Medical Center of the Rockies in Loveland.

Rose was presented with a trophy and certificate from the GVFD Board of Directors and the Volunteer FF/EMT membership. Thank you Rose!

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SLASH-N-HAUL

This year's FIREWISE Community Event was cancelled this summer due to COVID-19. As you are all aware this pandemic will be with us for a while, and we will possibly be seeing another serge of cases this fall.

HOWEVER.... MARK YOUR CALANDER!!!

SLASH-N-HAUL

(TENTATIVELY) Saturday, August 22nd

This is your chance to mitigate your property and let GVFPD & volunteers help with the cleanup.

Sign up at the Glacier View Fire Department (Tues-Thur) \$50 = 1 hour of work or 1 trailer load

Watch our website for further details glacierviewfiredept@gmail.com

Did you know.....

GVFD is always looking for people to join our Logistics Program:

If you have a skill that would be beneficial to GVFD and you would like to volunteer your time, please contact the GVFD office Tuesday-Thursday at 493-3353.

your King Soopers Reward Card purchases benefits GVFPD:

Every dollar you spend King Soopers donates a portion back to GVFPD. It's easy to sign up! GVFPD supporters can enroll their KS Reward Card online at a secure website, www.Kingsoopers.com/communityrewards. GVFPD Non-Profit Organization number is **WG369**. When a supporter shops at KS they can still use their alternate ID, allowing them not to have to carry a card. Thanks to all who are already supporting GVFPD through this Loyalty Program!

You are always welcome to attend a monthly GVFPD Board Meeting:

Your voice matters! GVFPD monthly Board Meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 7:00PM via the ZOOM platform. The Zoom invite is posted on our website the Sunday before the Board meeting at www.glacierviewfiredept.com, click the "Fire Board" page.

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