

THE BURN SHEET

Talk to your friends, family, neighbors! NFAA Seeks Drivers

Pagers...YOU can help get them repaired faster!

If your pager stops working, or has "issues", write down exactly what it's doing, or not doing, add what tones it receives, your name and phone #. Attach this paper to the pager before turning it in for repair. No matter how frustrated YOU are, if this small bit of paperwork is not turned in with a bad pager, it creates unnecessary work for someone else to figure it out, and the real problem may not be identified.

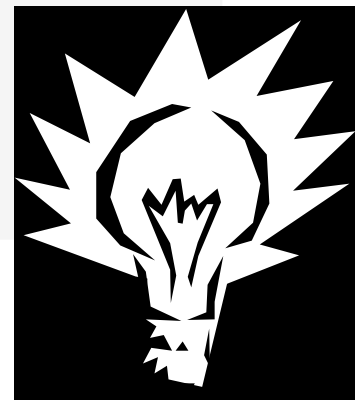
Also, no more trading pagers around, throwing non-working pagers on the desk at the barn and taking a different one. Please contact Richard in Paonia, Kathy in Crawford or Doug McCay in Hotchkiss if you need a different pager. Thanks!

When asked, EMS volunteers state overwhelmingly that a "friend or family member in EMS originally attracted them to volunteering". As we start our two-month Recruitment Drive for new volunteers, think about why you became active in EMS and how your life has been enriched by being a part of the NFAA. Please talk to your friends, family and neighbors to see if they would like to get involved with their community EMS service. YOU are the best advertisement we have!

With the rising cost of the EMT class and getting someone new started with the NFAA, the Board is encouraging new volunteers to come on to our service first as a driver. After a few months this person will know if the NFAA is a good fit for them and if they want to go any further with their service to the community.

In order to fill the EMT Class in January 2009, for relief on our schedules by this time next year, July and August will be our Driver Recruitment months. This will give enough time for people to consider volunteering, fill out paperwork, get approved by the Board, drive for a few months and apply for funding for the EMT class by the December Board meeting.

As you can see, there's no time like the present to talk to people about joining our ranks!



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EVENTS

Board Meeting (moved forward one week due to holiday)
Thursday, July 10, Paonia Barn, 7 pm

Continuing Education
Monday July 14, Paonia Barn, 7 pm
24/7 Respiratory Emergencies & CPAP

Call Review
Thursday July 17, Hotchkiss Fire Station, 7 pm

2-year Reviews

Scheduled for review for this month:

ANY WHO MISSED THEIR SCHEDULED TIME

Reviews usually start around 8 pm, so you can arrive then, or at 7 pm for the start of the business meeting. If you are not able to make this board meeting, please make arrangements to be present at the next board meeting.



EMS TIP

Geriatric patients may never exhibit signs such as: tachycardia, pallor, or hypotension from blood loss. The reason is that often times they take medications that maintain heart action. The moral of the story is don't be fooled. If you suspect blood loss, for instance, because of abdominal pain, transport the patient to be examined and treated by a doctor.

In touch with the public this summer...

In conjunction with Cherry Days, on Friday July 4th our NFAA tent and an ambulance will be set up near the Teen Center. We will be there as a first aid station, to take blood pressures and hand out balloons to the kids. Some folks just need a few minutes out of the sun to sit down and drink water.

Paonia folks, this is your hometown event... please call Deb at 921-3435 to sign up. In addition to 1-hour shifts, we need folks for set up at 9am and tear down at 5 pm. Thanks! See you at Cherry Days!

Jeff Wentzel, his wife Ruth and their sons deserve a big thanks for handling the booth at Crawford Pioneer Days. Only a couple of NFAA folks who rec'd extra goodies at the Appreciation Dinner in exchange for a good dunking, actually showed up for their cool-off in the Crawford dunk tank. If you missed your debut in Crawford, be sure to make your commitment good in either Paonia or Hotchkiss in August, minus the dunk tank, darn.

August will bring the Delta County Fair and our booth in the park on the Saturday with the parade. Hotchkiss folks, please keep some time open! Thanks Everyone!