



Notes from CE on June 8 with Peg from the ER

- Consider calling the ER with a pt report ASAP. You can always do a follow up call closer to the hospital
- Be brief, and give pertinent info & history
- Give actual vitals instead of “stable, normal, etc.”
- If you think the Trauma Team should be activated, tell the ER ASAP
- Give LOC and GCS on trauma calls
- If practical, do blood draws with IV

Also from the ER...

According to new Joint Commission standards all blood tubes must be labeled with the pt name and date of birth in the presence of the patient when the sample is drawn. Once in the ER, printed labels can be placed over the top of the hand written info.

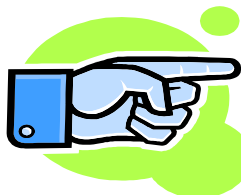
Two Successful Grant Applications Help Keep NFAA Set & Ready!

The NFAA has been awarded a grant for new communication equipment through the Emergency Medical and Trauma Services Grant Program, administered by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. The grant funds, along with a 50% cash match from the NFAA, will be used to purchase new Minitor V pagers for most of our staff. If you are active with the NFAA and all your paperwork is in order you will be eligible to receive a new pager this summer. Our thanks especially to Alowetta Terrien for her help in writing and submitting this grant in February.



The NFAA will also be the recipient of a National Elks Foundation Gratitude Grant successfully applied for by the Hotchkiss Elks. All NFAA crew members will be treated to a free lasagna supper on July 10, at 5:30 pm at the Elks Lodge in Hotchkiss. If you are able to attend this homemade lasagna dinner, please RSVP by July 6th by leaving a message for Jeanie at 872-2577 or 872-3355. NFAA Crew family members and guests are welcome for a nominal fee of \$6 per plate.

New Blood Glucose Testing Equipment



On July 9 at 7 pm at the Paonia Ambulance Barn there will be a CE on the use of our new equipment. Please make plans to attend!

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Laugh a little...

See EMT Rick Steckel as Mr. Barry Wong in the Melodrama—A Quandary in the Laundry, or the Difference Between White & Wong— at Cherry Days! 7pm Friday, 1:30 & 3:30 Saturday, 1:30 Sunday

4th of July First Aid Station

The NFAA will be offering a First Aid Station in the Town Park for Cherry Days on Saturday, July 4th. We will also be giving out helium balloons and bottles of cold water. Some folks want their blood pressure checked and others just need to cool off in the shade for a while. Paonia Crew, and anyone else wanting to help — Please schedule your shift with

Robin at 527-8526, or by email:
blake.robin@hotmail.com



Calendar

July 2, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Paonia Ambulance Barn

July 9, Continuing Education, 7 pm, Paonia Ambulance Barn. Topic: New BG equipment

July 16, Call Review with Dr. Pruett, 7 pm, Hotchkiss Fire Station

Board Bits

Anytime the ambulance rolls...

there needs to be a computer generated report filed in the lock box. This includes, stand-bys, stand-downs, refusals, rodeos, football games etc.

Handwritten reports...

If you have to create a hand written report, YOU are responsible for getting a computer generated report done to replace the hand written one. If you are unable to re-write the report on the computer before leaving the barn after the run, file the handwritten report in the lock box, then contact Richard at 234-3476 to arrange a time to access that report and re-write it on the computer. Thanks!

Thanks to our volunteers in May & June

Hotchkiss Fire and NFAA thank the following for:



Mother's Day Breakfast —Roger Johnson!!!

Ride the Rockies Breakfast—



Marie Kebba, Adam Clifford, Chuck Clifford, Lisa Clifford, Linda Ormsbee, Ruth Wentzel, Jeff Wentzel, Mike Smolen, Roger Johnson, Richard Kinser, Larry Ribnik, Bev Shelden, Kris Stewart and Kathy Steckel



Pioneer Days First Aid Booth help thanks to: Deb Ferrier, Linda Ormsbee, Ruth & Jeff Wentzel, Rick & Kathy Steckel