

## **PSFPD COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

## WILDFIRE PARTNERS PROGRAM

The Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District is excited to announce our affiliation with the Larimer County Wildfire Partners Program. Through this new partnership we will offer an updated and enhanced (and free!) Wildfire Mitigation Assessment for your home and property.

Wildfire Partners and **Pinewood Springs Property Assessment** \*click here\* to sign up for your free wildfire mitigation assessment today!



examples of the information you will receive

Sign up using the link above and one of our volunteer firefighters will meet you on your property to discuss and detect potential issues in and around your home. Once the assessment is completed you will receive valuable feedback to support fire mitigation on your property, including details about potential savings on state taxes and homeowner's insurance information.

# LOCAL MITIGATION PROJECTS

In early 2023 the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District applied for and received a grant from Larimer County OEM to perform wildfire mitigation on public space near the water tanks.

Click here to check out before & after pictures, along with a video highlighting this important mitigation project. PSFPD will continue to apply grants through Community Mitigation Grant Program to access funding for wildfire mitigation projects.



# PINEWOOD SPRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District (PSFPD) provides 24/7 service to the Pinewood Springs Community and US-36 corridor from mile marker 8.5 to mile marker 14.25, protecting lives and property. Your firefighters are all community resident volunteers.

### Officers

Ted Plank, Chief Andrew Lucas, Assistant Chief John Bykerk, Operations Assistant Chief Andrew Hart, Wildland Captain Brian Rappel, All Hazards / Ops Captain Paul Legan, Lieutenant

#### Firefighters

Trevor Byron Camilo Casas Charlie Gau Serena Jura Kirk Ping Buck Rizvi Ross Swanson Tasha Wagner Probationary Katie Edwards (Firefighter) Jessica Madden (Firefighter)

Travis Setere (Medic)

Larry Davis Dick Wilcox

Elizabeth Noble, Command Aid Geri Plank, Command Aid Gabi Benson, Comm Specialist Jennifer Rivas, Comm Specialist

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# HOT TOPICS

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# COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, MAY 4th

Join us at the 3rd annual community wildfire preparedness event on Saturday, May 4th at the Pinewood Springs Fire Station and Community Center.

Save the date - come see your friends and neighbors, firefighters, members of the local community Boards, and representatives from Larimer County.

Learn more about protecting your property and our community from wildfire.



## Recent incident on snowy US 36

In early February our volunteer firefighters were responding to a vehicle emergency at mile marker 9, between Pinewood Springs and Estes Park. It was a wintery night, and the roads were slick and dangerous. While emergency response teams worked to handle the situation, a pick-up truck passing by the scene lost control and hit the rear corner of Pinewood Springs Fire Engine 5131. No one on the scene was seriously injured.

# Pay attention to emergency vehicles and heed flashing emergency signals.

# Slow down and remember, 4-wheel drive does not help you stop faster.

Every winter our Pinewood Springs Volunteer Fire Fighters respond to multiple snow- and ice-related vehicle incidents. There are many drivers on our highway who are not used to mountain and winter driving, so be patient, exercise caution, and leave extra room between your vehicle and others on the road.

## 36th Annual Estes Park Rotary Duck Race





The annual running-of-the-ducks down Fall River in Estes Park is coming up on May 4th. This fundraising event supports many local non-profit organizations and has helped PSFPD raise over \$15,000 for much-needed equipment. Adopt a duck for a chance to win great prizes and to support your volunteer firefighters.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The PSFPD Board of Directors is comprised of volunteer community members handling the administrative business of the fire district. The Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Michael Graham, President Ardean Johnson, Vice President Patty Peritz, Treasurer Mark Davis, Secretary Kevin Noble, At-Large



### **PSFPD Board moves**

Ardean Johnson has moved into the role of Vice President of the PSFPD Board of Directors, after serving as Secretary since 2008. The Board greatly appreciates Ardean's many years of volunteer service.

The Board is happy to welcome Mark Davis to the Board in the Secretary position.

"I am happy to do my part and contribute to a community that has been so welcoming to Stacy and I", Mark shared when joining the Board in September 2023.