

Plumas Eureka Fire Department
Fire Chief's Report
For October 14, 2015
By Tom Forster



Personnel: Danny Gearhart is no longer with the department. He was on a leave of absence this year, and advised at last week's training that he can no longer be a member and will return his gear.

Equipment: A replacement discharge pressure gauge has been ordered for Engine 9121. In addition, the foam tank is leaking and needs repair. It has been emptied, and while still useable in an emergency, will be fixed. The Quincy FD Mechanic will make the repairs soon after an estimate and approval.

PCFCA: The 3rd Quarter meeting for the Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association was held Saturday, October 3 in Graeagle. Tom serves as the Secretary/Treasurer, and Graeagle Chief Ed Ward is the President.

Weekend National Fire Academy Class: Tom is coordinating a second weekend class from the National Fire Academy, titled "New Fire Chief: Challenging Issues". This is another special outreach class offered from the National Fire Academy, sponsored by California State Fire Training and the Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association, and hosted by the Quincy FPD on the weekend of November 21-22. This is targeted towards not only new fire chiefs, but also other Chiefs and officers in general.

Firewise Community: The Firewise Committee has accepted the draft report recently at a group meeting, and the application to NFPA will be submitted soon.

Lost Sierra Hoedown: Asst. Chief Bill Robinson coordinated Emergency Medical Services coverage for this four-day music and camping event held in September 24-27 at the Ski Bowl in Plumas Eureka State Park. This was volunteer EMS standby with at least two firefighters from Plumas Eureka and/or Graeagle. Approx. 500-700 people attended, and some camped at the Ski Hill during the event. Several minor incidents were handled, with no major ones. Thanks to Bill and many others for their good work.



John Sea and Bill Robinson at the Lost Sierra Hoedown

Uniform Work: Special thanks go to Firefighter/EMT Jenni McGuire for her good work sewing on uniform and PPE patches, and continuing to organize our EMS supplies and distribution among engines. She has been doing a great job.

Annual Appreciation Dinner: PECAUX will be hosting the annual Firefighter Appreciation Dinner at Longboards on Friday, October 30. Contact Muriel Aman or Sue Carrera for more information.

Graeagle Station 2 Open House: Tom attended the Open House held on Saturday, September 26 at the new Whitehawk Fire Station.

