



Cherry Volunteer Fire Association

2016 Newsletter

Letter from the Cherry Volunteer Fire Association President

Quite often, someone asks me, "Where is Cherry? Up by Payson, right?" I tell them that they have the wrong fruit, and that we in Cherry do not discuss our location. I think we all agree that we live in a unique, albeit undiscovered place. With our mixture of high chaparral, hardwood trees, mountains, and Ponderosa pine, we enjoy habitats of picturesque views and a comfortable 3 ½ season climate. But along with these benefits come the realities of living in a remote area with wildfire potential.

We all share a responsibility to do what we can as home and landowners to keep Cherry safe and livable. Please join us at our annual community lunch/meeting to enjoy something else that distinguishes Cherry as a great place to live – a sense of togetherness. This year we will be updated by our friends from the Prescott National Forest, our County Supervisor and a representative from the Roads Department and perhaps another guest or two. We will also get an update regarding the training, planning, and equipment for the Cherry Volunteer Fire Department. Good things are happening in Cherry. Please join us to be a part of who and what Cherry is (even if we are hidden from view). I am looking forward to seeing you all there.

Curt Christy, President
Cherry Volunteer Fire Association



This year's Annual General Membership Meeting and Potluck will be held **Saturday, April 9th**. The Potluck will begin at 11:30 am. and the meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m.

As always, we are indebted to the Melluzzo family for their generosity in letting us use their marvelous barn as a community-gathering place. See you there - and bring a dish!

CVFA shirts and hats will be available for sale at the meeting for just \$20 each!

CVFA Treasurer Bob Kennedy will be available at our meeting to collect your tax deductible annual dues of \$250. Due to the maintenance costs for our small fleet of trucks, it is important that you contribute what you can to assist our volunteer community. Dues have been increased this year from \$200 to \$250.

You can also mail your dues to Bob Kennedy at 10725 W. Cherry Creek Road, Dewey, AZ. 86327. robertkennedy811@gmail.com Please do your part in helping keep the Cherry Volunteer Fire Association in operation.

We have a Pay Pal link on the Cherry Website to conveniently pay your dues online.

Find the Cherry Website at:
Cherryfire.org

Be sure to visit our web site for:

- Recent News, Events & Updates
 - Cherry Community Directory- (Password: Cherry1886)
 - Cherry History
 - Current Weather & Fire Conditions
 - Fire Wise Information
 - Cherry Fire Association Meeting Minutes
- And so much more!*

PLEASE REVIEW THE CURRENT PHONE DIRECTORY. IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES TO YOUR ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, CELL NUMBER OR EMAIL, PLEASE CONTACT KAREN BRUNO AT [KAREN.BRUNO.AZ@GMAIL](mailto:karen.bruno.az@gmail.com) OR FAREN WATTIE AT [FWATTIE@AOL.COM](mailto:fwattie@aol.com) SO THAT WE MAY KEEP THE DIRECTORY CURRENT ONLINE.

WE WILL ALSO BE PRINTING THE NEW DIRECTORY THIS SPRING, SO PLEASE BE SURE YOUR INFORMATION IS ACCURATE.

REMEMBER:

Our Brush Pile is for Brush ONLY!

If you see anyone dumping materials other than brush, please get a license number and call the Forest Service law enforcement number - 928-777-5650.

Exciting News: Luke Fetter is attending a chainsaw class at AWIMA. Luke is currently enrolled in EMT classes at Yavapai College and is considering a career in wildland firefighting and art. Another generation of the Fetter family involved in our Volunteer Association in Cherry!

