



# Smoke Signals

## Indian Hills Fire Protection District

Serving the Citizens of Indian Hills Since 1947

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## Community CPR Classes Now Offered Free to Residents

Did you know that more than 80% of heart attacks occur at home? When a person goes into cardiac arrest, survival depends on immediately getting CPR from someone nearby. Sadly, almost 90% of people who suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrests die. But if CPR is performed in the first few minutes, a person's chance of survival doubles or even triples. Because time is so precious, Indian Hills Fire Rescue recently purchased a state-of-the-art CPR mannequin to train its own members and is also offering free CPR classes to Indian Hills residents to help increase the odds of a successful outcome.

To date, four classes have been offered to the community in the last year. Both an American Heart Association HeartSaver CPR class as well as an abbreviated Friends and Family class are available. The two-hour HeartSaver course, which is more extensive, covers the following:



- Adult, child, and infant CPR and AED use
- Adult, child, and infant choking
- Opioid-associated life-threatening emergencies

The 30-minute Friends and Family class provides higher level instruction on "hands-only" CPR.

In 2017, up to four classes are being planned. To express interest in attending a future HeartSaver or Friends and Family CPR class at the fire station, please call 303-697-4568 or visit [www.ihfr.org](http://www.ihfr.org).

### Dry Conditions:

Even though we recently got some snow, we still have dry conditions in Indian Hills. Please do your part to keep our community safe.

# The Importance of Smoke Alarms in Home Fires



Recent research conducted by the National Fire Protection Association has revealed some interesting facts that underscore the importance of functioning smoke alarms in home fires:

- Smoke alarms were activated in more than half of the home fires reported between 2009-2013.
- Three of every five home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms (38%) or no working smoke detectors (21%).
- The death rate in home fires is more than twice as high in homes without a working smoke alarm compared to homes with functioning smoke detectors.
- In fires in which smoke alarms were present but did not operate, almost half of the smoke detectors had missing or disconnected batteries.
- Dead batteries cause one quarter of all smoke alarm failures.

## Volunteers Needed: Indian Hills Fire Rescue/Fire Boots

Have you ever thought about serving your community in times of an emergency? Or are you looking to help but don't want to be a firefighter or medic?

Indian Hills Fire Rescue has opportunities for community members to assist both as firefighters/medics and members of the volunteer auxiliary.

Volunteer medics and firefighters focus on emergency response in the event of a fire, medical event, or rescue situation. The auxiliary, or Fire Boots, is comprised of community members who support the department through fundraising, special projects, administrative assistance, public education and outreach, and other non-emergency roles.

For more information, visit our website at [www.ihfr.org](http://www.ihfr.org).



Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.

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## If We Can't Find You, We Can't Help You!

Indian Hills Fire Rescue offers affordable house number signs made of rust-free aluminum with white numbers on a blue reflective background to help us find you should the need arise.

The signs are available in horizontal and vertical formats with numbers on one or both sides. Pricing is \$15 for a one-sided sign and \$20 for a two-sided sign. You can order your house number sign by completing an order form, which is available at the Indian Hills Post Office or on our website at [www.ihfr.org](http://www.ihfr.org).

If you have any questions about the signs, please call 303-697-4568.



## Fourth of July Recap and 2017 Plans

The 2016 Independence Day celebration was a big success! Along with perennial events like the pancake breakfast and parade, several new activities made their debut, including a 5K fun run through Indian Hills and a family movie in Arrowhead Park the night before the holiday.

Both events were very popular with community members and will be repeated next summer. In fact, consideration is being given to showing multiple outdoor movies next summer, potentially in Arrowhead Park. Stay tuned!



## Three Members Recognized for Service Awards

It's the volunteers who make Indian Hills Fire Rescue a success. Each year, members are recognized when service anniversaries with the department roll around. This year, three key volunteers are being recognized: Marc Rosenberg, Bob Fager, and Ray Vogler.

Marc, who joined the department in 2001, is celebrating 15 years as a volunteer. An Indian Hills resident for more than 25 years, he currently serves as the assistant chief, president of the department, and treasurer of the board of directors.

Bob is celebrating ten years as a volunteer. He is the department's EMS captain and is currently pursuing his paramedic certification, which will allow him to provide advanced emergency medical care to Indian Hills residents. He has lived in the Indian Hills community since 2005.

Also celebrating ten years of service is Ray. In his tenure with the department, Ray has served as fire lieutenant, department treasurer, and a member of the pension board. He has lived in Indian Hills off and on since 1984 and was instrumental in starting the department's community CPR program.

Please take the time to thank these individuals for their service if you see them out and about in the community.



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***Chief's Corner***

As another year comes to a close, we've been very fortunate that we have only had to respond to four wildland fires this year. But with the continuing dry conditions, we still need everyone to be extremely careful if you have a campfire or use a charcoal grill.

You should also make sure your wood-burning appliance has a spark arrestor on the chimney termination and that you dispose of your ashes properly.

Next year Indian Hills Fire Rescue will be celebrating 70 years of service to our community. None of this would have been possible without the dedication of all the volunteers over the last seven decades.

Everyone be safe during your travels and have a happy holiday.

Emery Carson  
Chief