

Geyserville Volunteer Firefighters' Association



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Members of the Geyserville Volunteer Firefighters' Association (GVFA) would like to extend our best wishes to you and your family this holiday season. This season also brings our annual donation request. Funds generated by this request, along with those generated by our annual summer dinner-dance and Fall Colors' pancake breakfast, are used to improve our ability to provide emergency services to the community.

You received this letter because our records indicate that you either have donated to our organization, own property and/or live in the Geyserville Fire Protection District (GFPD).

The GVFA is comprised of the volunteer firefighters of the GFPD. The District is a government entity funded via a small portion of your property taxes. Unlike other fire districts in Sonoma County, a fire assessment tax has never been imposed. This is due to your continued support of the GVFA, volunteer fire fighter staffing and prudent fiscal management.

We are pleased to provide you with the following update of activities and progress of the GFPD during the past year:

- The Geyserville volunteer firefighters responded to 507 emergencies during 2006. The year 2007 is gearing up to be a record breaking year as we have already responded to 501 emergencies through the end of October.
- On May 17th, 2007, we held our annual Open House at Fire Station #1.
- The 2007 Dinner Dance was a tremendous success. Our 2008 Dinner Dance will be held in the later part of July 2008.
- Five new firefighters joined our ranks. They completed a rigorous 130 hour recruit academy and passed an additional six month probationary period.

Your generous donation, large or small, will help the GVFA meet its' future goals which include:

- Purchasing additional fire suppression apparatus to better serve our 216 square mile District.
- Assisting with the debt reduction of the Fire Station #1
- Recruitment and retention efforts for fire fighters

We greatly appreciate your continued support of **your** volunteer fire department! We are continually impressed by the support of the community we serve. For more information about the GVFA or the GFPD please visit the District's website at www.geyservillefire.com.

Please make all donations payable to The Geyserville Volunteer Firefighters' Association (or GVFA for short). We are a 501c(3) non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible (Tax ID#: 23-7054738).

Thank You!



Wendy Colgan
President



Ronald Du Preez
Secretary/Treasurer