



Here are a couple of news articles to keep you informed of our "happenings" in and around Forest Lakes this week.

REMINDER ABOUT THE CONTROLLED BURN THIS WEEK

The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest's Black Mesa Ranger District plans to conduct burning operations within Burn Blocks 13,17,19,20 of the Nagel Forest Health Prescribed Burn area, if weather conditions allow, from October 7 to October 18. Burn Block 13 and 17 will be West of FR 717, South of FR 100, and East of FR 9429. Burn Blocks 19 and 20 will be along FR 169, West of FR 180 and the 9401 and East of FR 9412R and South of FR 9403Q and FR 100.

The burn will encompass approximately 2,636 acres. Once ignition occurs, crews will be on scene from ignition until there is no longer a threat of escape from the project boundaries.

Fire District Week-end Report From Fire Chief Dave Rodriguez

It was a busy weekend for our crews. Saturday evening we assisted in the search for a missing girl near Woods Canyon Lake. She was found a short time later, thanks to the assistance of a Scout troop that was camping nearby.

We also responded to a fatal motor vehicle accident near milepost 283 on Highway 260 at 1:10am on Sunday. Then at 2:36 am we needed to respond to another accident near milepost 286. That accident also had two fatalities, plus one patient that was transported to Scottsdale Osborn hospital via Native Air

helicopter. Both accidents had victims ejected from their vehicles. Our crew used our **new thermal imaging camera** (a very recent purchase by the Fire District Auxiliary) to search the darkness for additional victims. Our **battery-operated extrication equipment** (purchased with grant funding a few years ago) proved to be very useful at the second crash site. Crews assisted DPS at both scenes with body recovery.

There were no injuries to our emergency response personnel. Kudos to our On Duty Staff and Paid On Call personnel for difficult jobs that were well done.

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