



# Smoke Signals

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## Fourth of July 2015 Schedule of Events

Join us this year as Indian Hills Fire Rescue hosts its Fourth of July celebration. The event celebrates our nation's birthday beginning with a pancake breakfast followed by an auto extrication demonstration, Air Life helicopter fly-in and display, and a traditional parade. Unfortunately, this year we lost our pyrotechnicians. **Consequently, no fireworks are planned.** With the exception of the pancake breakfast, all events are free to the public. Come join us for a fun morning!

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** 7:00 am – 11:00 am

**AUTO EXTRICATION** 9:00 am

**AIR LIFE HELICOPTER FLY-IN** 10:00 am – 11:00 am

**PARADE** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

All events will be held at or adjacent to the Indian Hills Fire Station at 4476 Parmalee Gulch Rd. The morning's events are organized and conducted by members of Indian Hills Fire Rescue, the Fire Boots, and the local community who graciously volunteer their hours to ensure that the celebration is a success.

Please note that Parmalee Gulch Rd. will be closed on Saturday, July 4 from approximately 10:45 am – 1 pm between Parmalee Elementary School and the Indian Hills Post Office in order to accommodate the annual Fourth of July parade. Please plan your transportation accordingly.

# Summer Slash Collection Coming to Indian Hills

With the recent moisture in Indian Hills, it may be hard to think about property mitigation and slash disposal. But removing slash and creating a defensible space around your home is the first line of defense against future wildfires.

This summer, slash collection is coming to Indian Hills. At present, collection is scheduled for June 27-28 and August 8-9 at Parmalee Elementary School. Open to all Jefferson County residents, the slash collection site will accept tree debris, pine needles, and limbs with a maximum length of eight feet and a maximum diameter of six inches. Pine needles and tree bark must be bagged. **Tree stumps, construction materials, rocks, and household trash will not be accepted.**



Fees for slash drop off will be \$20 per load, with a load consisting of a truck bed to truck cab height or a trailer up to 8 x 4 feet in size. **Only credit card payment will be accepted.** Also, come prepared to unload your own slash.

For more information, contact either Mark Danner at Jefferson County at 303-271-5008 or Bret Roller at Rolling R Ranch at 303-589-4698.

## Register for CodeRED!

Are you registered for CodeRED yet?

The Jefferson County CodeRED emergency notification system allows you to be warned of floods, fires, tornadoes, chemical spills, or dangerous suspects in the area. Within moments, a call can reach you to deliver warnings and critical safety instructions.

You can easily register your cell phone number to receive emergency notifications via a call, text, or email. Landline phones are automatically included in the CodeRED database for Jefferson County.

For more information or to register your cell phone, visit [www.jeffco.us/sheriff/emergencies/code-red](http://www.jeffco.us/sheriff/emergencies/code-red).



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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.



Tickets are now on sale for the 2015 Big Chili Cook-Off Music and Arts Festival, which will be held Saturday, September 12, 2015, at Buchanan Park. Although it may seem early to buy tickets, you'll want to get yours soon before the event sells out.

The event, which costs \$15 and is free for kids 12 and under as well as for firefighters with an ID, will feature an abundance of chili samples for the tasting. In addition, the festival will feature music by Jimmie Van Zant opening for Molly Hatchet. Artists selling wares created using a variety of arts and crafts mediums will also be on site.

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.bigchili.org](http://www.bigchili.org). Proceeds from the event go to six area fire departments, including Indian Hills, as well as the Evergreen Blue Spruce Kiwanis Foundation.

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## Jefferson County Evacuation Plans

In the event of an emergency, it's important that all Indian Hills residents understand the evacuation plans that have been put in place by Jefferson County.

**Level 1: Be ready.** Residents should be aware of the danger that exists in their area. You should make preparations to be ready to leave, and then monitor local media outlets. Residents with special needs (such as the elderly or those with health problems) are advised to evacuate. People with livestock or pets should consider moving them out of the area. Evacuations at this time are *voluntary*, but if you have concerns, evacuate now.

**Level 2: Leave soon.** Residents should know that there is significant potential danger in the area. You should relocate to outside the affected area *as soon as possible*.

**Level 3: Leave immediately.** Danger in the area is current and imminent. There is no time to gather belongings. Leave *immediately*.



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### ***Chief's Corner***

All the moisture we have received this spring can be a bit deceiving. While it certainly lowers the fire danger for now, it results in increased fuel for a fire if conditions dry out rapidly this summer. Because of this, you should take some time to mitigate your property so that the chance of saving your house would be increased in the event of a fire.

It's been disappointing news for many that we will not be hosting a fireworks show this year. Just a reminder that most fireworks that explode or leave the ground are illegal in Colorado. So please abide by the laws to keep us all safe. While we're not hosting fireworks, we do have a pancake breakfast and parade planned and hope to see many of you there.

We wish everyone a happy and safe summer and holiday. Hope to see you on the Fourth.

Emery Carson  
Chief

