

## Lockwood Fire Protection District - June 2023 - Upcountry Newsletter

The month of May was a busy one for the Lockwood Fire Protection District. In addition to responding to emergency calls for service, we have been preparing our volunteer firefighters for the upcoming fire season. Every year, firefighters are required to complete refresher training on wildland firefighting, among other topics and firefighting skills. The wildland refresher training includes everything from preforming progressive hose lays to understanding the weather and its effects on wildland fire behavior. The dedication and commitment from our volunteer firefighters are nothing short of amazing!

In recognition of this dedication and commitment, one of our Lockwood Firefighters, Tom Tomlinson, was recognized this year by the Volcano Masons Lodge for all of his efforts as a first responder. FF Tomlinson is a prime example of what it means to be a true public servant. One example of his commitment was during the extreme snow and weather this last winter, Tom covered station 151 for sixteen days straight, responding to several calls each day, providing assistance to our community. Responding to emergency calls is challenging on a good day, but doing so under such extreme conditions goes far beyond, and to do that for sixteen days is astonishing. This recognition is well deserved and we are all honored to have Tom on our team!

Finally, on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, the LFPD Auxiliary hosted a Tri-tip Dinner and Bingo fundraising event at the Armory Hall in Volcano. Doors opened at 4:30pm with dinner and Bingo starting shortly thereafter. There were all kinds of raffle prizes, Bingo prizes and a delicious tri-tip dinner was served. To those of you that joined us or donated items to be raffled, we want to say a huge THANK YOU!! The event was a success and the monies raised from this event will be used to purchase much needed fire hose for the district.

Thank you for the continued support!!

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