

**Applegate Fire District Number 9
invites you to our 4th of July**

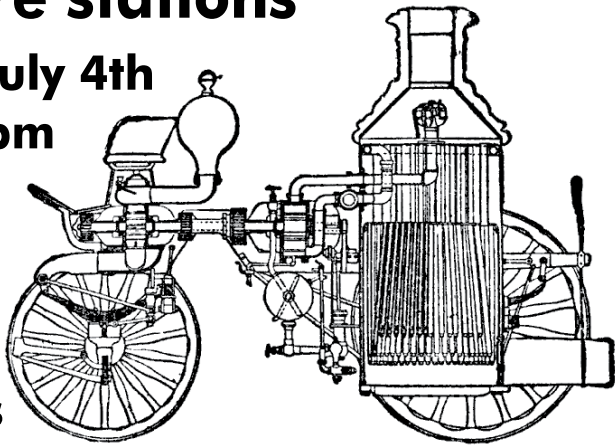
Open Houses

at five fire stations*

**Saturday, July 4th
11 am - 2 pm**

FREE

- hot dogs
- chips
- soft drinks



- * Station #2 — 7774 Upper Applegate Road
- * Station #3 (Headquarters) — 1095 Upper Applegate Road
- * Station #5 — 2170 Highway 238
- * Station #6 — 1076 Kubli Road
- * Station #7 — 7990 Griffin Lane

The public will have the opportunity to **ride the fire engines; hold a charged fire hose** (with Department assistance); **put on turn-out gear including air packs; and tour the stations.**

This will be a great **opportunity for photos** so remember your cameras. We will also be providing **address signs for our district residents** to assist in emergency responses. The **first address sign is free**, with a minimal fee for additional signs.

Questions? Call Jeff Vinyard, Firefighter/EMT, 541-944-4363.

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Volunteer webmaster needed for the *Applegater*

Contact J. D. Rogers, Editor,
541-846-7736.

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The nonprofit Applegate Valley Community Newspaper, Inc., (AVCN) provides the many rural and diverse communities of the Applegate Watershed with a communications vehicle, the *Applegater* newspaper, free of charge to all watershed residents. Our quarterly paper presents constructive, relevant, educational and entertaining reports on a wide variety of subjects such as:

- natural resource issues
- ecology and other science information
- historical and current events
- community news and opinions

AVCN encourages and publishes differing viewpoints and, through the *Applegater* newspaper, acts as a clearinghouse for this diverse community. We are dedicated to working together with community members to maintain and enhance the quality of life that is unique to the Applegate Watershed.

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Applegater now online!

The *Applegater* is now publishing a web site that is a companion and expansion of the content and services that the printed *Applegater* newspaper provides.

Highlights of what this website will offer include:

- **Index and viewable/downloadable issues** of the *Applegater* starting from March 2008.
- **Expansion of content and pictures** of selected articles that appear in the printed paper.
- **Community calendar** that nonprofit organizations and Gater advertisers can post special events (sorry, no classes) by contacting our webmaster via email.
- **Community services directory** with contacts, current activities and bulletins for all our major community services such as police, fire, library, BLM, etc.
- **Directory of local businesses.**
- **Listing of web sites** that pertain to the Applegate Valley.
- **Changing collection of images** of scenery and activities within our beautiful valley.

We encourage you to log on to www.applegater.org. Be sure to add the Gater web site to your favorites!

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