

## **Indian Valley Fire Department, May 2024**

### **Fire Chiefs Report, Bob Orange**

As is standard practice, report period consisted of weekly training/meetings on Tuesday evenings alternating between Greenville and Taylorsville.

On May 28 we will have the medical evacuation helicopter from Susanville (SEMSA) join us for our training. Will meet the helicopter at the Greenville helipad at the old hospital and go over flight & loading procedures.

Starting June 10<sup>th</sup> Lassen College Fire Science Coordinator will be holding a Fire Apparatus Driver Operator 1A Class in Greenville. This class will be for a full week ending on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Classroom time will be in the IVCSO office in the mornings with instruction on our Engines being at our temporary Gville Fire Station. The Coordinator/Instructor Dan Weaver will be pulling his travel trailer over and staying at Taylorsville Campground for the class instead of all the IVFD Volunteers and Greenville Rancheria fire personnel having to travel to Lassen College. It is anticipated that at least one person from Quincy FD will also attend. I cannot stress enough how appreciated it is that Lassen College is holding this class specifically for IVFD after their regular semester of instruction is over. A 1B class will be held in September.

Those finishing the class will be able to apply for their Firefighters Endorsement on their drivers license and since it is through Lassen College will receive one semester unit of college credit.

A Wildland Engine Operators class will also be offered at the end of June at Lassen College.

I will be attending the Fire Station Design Conference in Phoenix AZ May 19-23 with Jeff Moorish, the owner of NST Engineering and Architect of our upcoming new fire station.

Indian Valley Construction has started renovating, repairs and painting to the interior of Taylorsville Station. The interior has not been repainted since 1965 (59 years ago) when it was built. Badly needed electrical work will also be performed. The old stained toilet will be upgraded to ADA compatibility. The original refrigerator and old metal cabinets will also be replaced. To give one a sense of the age of the paint & appliances they are avocado green which was so popular in the late 60's. Entire Engine Bays are currently painted this color! New overhead LED lighting will replace incandescent & fluorescent bulbs.

Engine pump training was done at Greenville HS with the rescue rigs from Greenville and Taylorsville. Traffic cones were purchased with LED lighting inside and placed on Rescue vehicles. No major fires or incidents to report- all medical aids & assistance requests. Numerous medivac helicopter flights assists out of Indian Valley were performed.

Nan Caylor graduated from the Quincy Fire Academy on June 11 after six weekends of class.