# LEHI FIRE DEPARTMENT



Firefighter
Shad Hatfield

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# Fully Involved

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## It's About to Get WILD...

The month of June has brought to our state many destructive and deadly wildland fires leaving homes, cabins, livestock and other properties destroyed and one civilian life lost. These fires have burned thousands of acres and have darkened the skies over Utah. High fuel loads coupled with drought conditions, above average temperatures and high winds caused EXTREME fire behavior for a the later part of June. The entire month we have mitigated grass fires here in Lehi City and have protected homes, apartment complexes, sheds and other structures. Lehi Fire Department has stepped up and given support not only to our surrounding communities but to the entire state. Many of our resources were utilized close to home during the "Dump Fire" in Saratoga Springs, the "Rosecrest Fire" in Herriman and most recently on the "Quail Fire" in Alpine. Lehi Fire has also dedicated a 4 person structure engine to be a part of a wildland strike team which has traveled to several fires across the state including the "Wood Hollow Fire" in Sanpete County, the "Rosecrest Fire" in Herriman, and the "Shingle Fire" in Kane County. Eddie Hales, Tee Hover, Trent Stanley, Stephen Johnson, Steve Berendsen, Cory Campbell, and Tyson Lum have dedicated time away from their families to help our state battle these blazes. Below is a table from www.utahfireinfo.gov breaking down the fire activity in Utah. This website is a great resource to keep up to date with new information about all the active fires burning in our state.

Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres		
Human		Lightning		Total			
Utah Wildland Fire Activity Updated – June 27, 2012							

9,330

438

108,502

With the fire season just getting under way and so many fires already it looks as though we have a long fire season ahead of us. Be safe out there!!

45

99,172

## Featured Call

On Saturday June 23, 2012 Company 82 and Company 81 were dispatched to Interstate 15 for a report of a vehicle on fire. The first arriving unit on scene was Engine 81. They reported a very large, fast moving brush fire that was threatening structures, but no vehicle fire. The fire was fueled by high winds and dry vegetation. Access to the fire was extremely difficult. Engine 81 immediately pulled a 1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" attack line and started knocking down the fire that had moved up into the canopy of some rather large trees. The second unit to arrive was Brush 82; they advised the best access would be just off of 900 west. Tower 82 also responded to 900 west. As Brush 82 arrived the fire was moving fast and had over taken the tress on the west



**Firefighter Cory Taylor** 

side of the apartment buildings. Brush 82 immediately started knocking down the fire but due to heavy smoke conditions were unable to catch the head of the fire. Tower 82 arrived and FF Dorton pulled a 1 ¾" attack line down a driveway behind an apartment building. In a matter of a few minutes FF Dorton advised command that the fire was spreading quickly to the north towards several structures. Brush 82 had to gather up their hose and proceeded to exit back down the driveway, driving through heavy smoke with low visibility to try and catch up with the head of the fire. FF Taylor and FF Brian Beck made a quick decision to drive behind the houses and through the fields in order to catch up with the fast moving fire. FF Taylor quickly had to jump a fence and noticed the fire was heading for a camp trailer and several houses, flame lengths were reaching 15 feet or greater. The fire was knocked down as far as the hose could reach, FF Taylor notified command that the fire was threatening a detached garage. Command copied and advised dispatch to send more units from Lone Peak FD and American Fork FD. Engine 81 continued to fight the fire from the Interstate 15 relocating several times including into a neighborhood. Brush 82 then met up with another brush unit from Lone Peak Fire and continued to knock down the fire. American Fork also assisted in knocking down the fire. Engine 81 and Tower 82 were used to protect several homes, sheds, and a detached garage. The garage had some minor fire damage to the outside and the fire was extinguished just as it was trying to extend into the attic. After several minutes the fast moving grass fire was under control and we began to mop up hot spots.





# FOAM DAY



### Saturday July 21, 2012

Lehi Sports Park (2000 West 700 South)

The fun begins at **11 a.m.** with games, wet inflatable toys, entertainment, food, and shopping!

Wear your swim suit and bring your goggles! Foam is from 2 – 4 p.m.

Free Watermelon will be served at 2 p.m.

If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact the Lehi Area Chamber at lehichamber@gmail.com

#### Call Totals for the Month of June...

Station Fire: 49
81 Medical: 81
Total: 130

 Station
 Fire:
 26

 82
 Medical:
 49

 Total:
 75



# Firefighter of the Quarter

We are proud to present the name Dan Harris for Lehi's Firefighter of the Quarter. In his nomination memo, Captain Ricky Evans has this to say.

"Dan is very compassionate about his job as an engineer and a Paramedic. He was given the assignment to teach air management to the department and has done an excellent job. He attended a class on this subject and even paid for some of it on his own. His contributions t other department and to the citizens of this community are a great example of how fire personnel should act. His professionalism on scenes and in the firehouse is what makes Dan a good example to other firefighters. These are just a few things of why I think Dan would be a great candidate for firefighter of the quarter"

Congratulations Dan on this well deserved award!



Firefighter Dan Harris

# Birthdays

- Brett Fraser 7/1
- \* Robert Stanley 7/15
- Harvey Bond 7/2
- Shad Hatfield 7/21
- Robert Morley 7/6 \* Kim Beck 7/22
- Ryan Orr 7/9
- Cory Taylor 7/29
- Chris Trevino 7/11

Happy Birthday!!



# Rib Eating Contest Lehi Fire vs. Lehi Police @ Texas Roadhouse



On your Mark. Get Set... **GO!!!** 



Fastest person to eat a half rack of ribs and a Texas Roadhouse roll win's!







**Ist Place** Stephen Johnson (Firefighter)



**2nd Place** Damon Faught (Police)

3rd Place Tyler Prawitt (Police)

# July 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	Independence Day - City Offices Closed	5	6	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 82
8	9 Payroll	10	11 CERT Leadership Meeting	12 Officer's Meeting @ station 82	13	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82 Macy's Tailgate
15	16	17 Training - Wildland Urban Interface @ ST82	18	Training - Wildland Urban Interface @ ST82	Training - Wildland Urban Interface @ ST82	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82 Foam Day
22	Payroll  Training - Cold Water Drowning  @ St 82	24 Pioneer Day - City Offices Closed	25 Training - Cold Water Drowning  ② St 82 CERT Refresher Class	25	27 Training - Cold Water Drowning @ St 82	Bountiful Baskets Food Co-op - station 81 & 82
29	30	31				