



Char Jackson, Public Information Officer

Cjackson@cityofcaldwell.org

Phone: (208) 455-4524

CALDWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

DATE: July 5, 2023

The Caldwell Fire Department was extremely busy on the 4th of July and the days leading up to the holiday. From June 30 at 8:00 a.m., to July 5 at 8:00 a.m., CFD responded to 17 outside fires (including one near Lake Lowell), four vehicle fires, and 67 EMS calls.

On July 4, the department responded to eight outside fires, a majority of which were fireworks related. The department also responded to one structure fire.

The July 5 structure fire started just after 1:00 a.m. in the 600 block of S. 41st Ave. Caldwell Police Officers were the first to arrive on the scene and began searching for victims. Officers located two men trying to assist a woman away from the home after they escaped the fire. Officers had to tear down a large fence and metal gate to gain access to the group. Officers were then able to carry the woman to safety prior to the arrival of firefighters. No one was injured, but sadly, a dog died in this fire. A motorhome, shed, and car were destroyed, and there was heavy damage to the home. The cause of this fire was fireworks related.

Caldwell Fire wants to remind residents to use caution in the coming days as citizens continue to light off fireworks. Please place your used fireworks in a bucket of water to soak overnight and ensure they are not discarded close to a structure.