

CALPINE COMMUNITY FIRE ASSOCIATION

FORMERLY CALPINE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Help recruit enough new volunteers to man equipment—build what is needed to make sure the community is properly protected

CHIMNEY FIRES

Call 911 immediately with a chimney fire.



CHIMNEY FIRES are one of the most common structure fires. They can be prevented with proper and frequent inspection, cleaning, proper flue design and proper “creosote wise” operation. Owner/operators are encouraged to gain training and knowledge in “creosote free” fire operation and fire box treatment of



their choice if a chimney fire starts. The home owner fire safe plan should always be used with any structure fire.

Keep roofs clear of pine needle/debris (especially in roof valleys) that can be ignited with a single spark from a chimney. Calpine has already experienced such a fire that the resident quickly extinguished (with a garden hose) before it set the trees above and roof rafters below on fire.