

## Caldwell Perspective – 2018.01

Over the past several months the fire department's new recruits endured a grueling fire academy that put them through scenarios they will be facing on a daily bases as they come on the line. We are proud so say all of our recruits have now graduated, and are scheduled to report for duty at the end of December. Our new firefighters are currently working with the crews learning the ins and outs at the fire station and on the engines. For the next several months, they are being partnered with a veteran firefighter as they learn the ways of the Caldwell Fire Department to ensure they are completely prepared and comfortable performing assigned duties.

We welcomed Santa at our Open House prior to the Night Light Parade again this year. We know it was very cold this year and we would like to thank all those that were able to stop by. Santa was thrilled with the opportunity to visit with the families of Caldwell and listen to the children's wishes as he reminded them to be good.

**FIRE SAFETY TIP of the MONTH:** Christmas trees - Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home. The City of Caldwell Forestry Department will hold its Christmas tree chipping in January 2018. You may dispose of your tree any time after Christmas at the U.S. West parking lot on the corner of 21st and Arthur (the gravel parking lot north of Caldwell Bowl). Please make sure all decorations, tinsel, ornament hangers, and flocking are removed before you leave your tree.