

# Fire P.A.L.S.

## Fire Prevention and Life Safety

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, (NFPA), the chances your household will have a reported home fire in an average lifetime is 1 in 4. The chances that someone in your household will suffer a fire related injury in an average lifetime are 1 in 10. In any small group, there probably is someone who knew someone that died in a fire. The number of adults killed by fire is approximately 3,000 per year. If you were able to go back and live 90 years ago, your chances of dying in a fire in the U.S. would have been about 12 times higher than today.

The number of fires and fire injuries is declining in the United States, due in part to enhanced public education efforts across the country, by fire organizations. The Laramie Fire Department has been involved in public education for more than 30 years with the P.A.L.S. program being active for nearly 23 years. We utilize, line firefighters to relay this very important message to Laramie's youth.



### Educational lessons taught:

- ◆ Choking Safety
- ◆ Helmet Safety
- ◆ Gun Safety
- ◆ Stop, Drop & Roll
- ◆ Bicycle Safety
- ◆ Smoke Detectors
- ◆ Internet Safety
- ◆ Seat Belt Safety
- ◆ Call 911
- ◆ Water Safety
- ◆ EDITH (Exit Drills in the Home)



**Fire PALS Clowns** have taken the center stage in the education Laramie's youth!

Every October, the Fire PALS can be found putting on an educational program for all Laramie's children in Kindergarten through third grade. Fire and Life Safety behaviors are taught, reinforced through characterization.

Although all are professional firefighters, our clowns and puppeteers are trained in educational methodology to ensure age appropriate messages and behaviors.