

Avra Valley Fire Dept. Giving More Medical Aid

Personnel of the Avra Valley Volunteer Fire Department rendered assistance in four medical emergencies, and answered two fire calls during the first half of August, according to information released by the Department this week.

In both fire calls, the fires had been deliberately set by property owners to burn trash or brush, but their presence had alarmed neighbors because of the high fire danger in the dry brush of the district. The fires were controlled by the property owners in each case, however, and real emergencies were prevented.

Two of the medical assistance calls involved providing aid to those involved in automobile incidents. One was a fatal accident on Avra Valley Road west of Sanders, on August 4, while the other entailed providing medical assistance to travelers on Interstate 10 at Marana the evening of August 11.

Another medical assistance call, on August 12, involved giving assistance to Pima County Sheriff's deputies in treating a prisoner at the Marana Sheriff's substation. The most recent call, on August 13, involved providing medical assistance to a man having breathing problems in the Avra Ranchettes neighborhood. The patient was stabilized and transported by ambulance to the University of Arizona hospital in Tucson.