

SAFETY TIPS FROM THE GRR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 7th.

Use the time change as a reminder to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. That ensures they'll be at their freshest during the winter season when most home carbon monoxide poisonings and a greater number of home fires occur. The key is to be consistent each year even if you pick a different date.

Every home should be equipped with smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Here's a link to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) website for more information: https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Staying-safe/Safety-equipment/Smoke-alarms.

GRR Fire recommends 4- or 5-pound dry chemical ABC fire extinguishers on each floor of a home, especially the kitchen, garage, workshops and vehicles. Inspect your extinguishers yearly: confirm that the pressure gauge is in the "green" then check the age or date of last service. Fire extinguishers should be refilled and re-charged every 6 years. Use the following NFPA link for more information: https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Staying-safe/Safety-equipment/Fire-extinguishers.

Please consider the Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District as you think about charitable giving for the holiday season and end of the tax year. All donations will go toward the GRR Fire Station Project. We are waiting to get a bid on the project, so exact cost is not clear yet, but we need help covering the cost. Donations to the GRRRFD are tax-deductible under Section 170(c)(1) of the IRS code. We will set up a formal donation drive when the costs are clear. Please send donations to: Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District, PO Box 109, Manhattan, MT 59741

Please visit the GRR Fire Department website to learn more: http://www.grrrfd.org/.