



## **SAFETY TIPS FROM THE GRR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

### **January 2023**

Wildland fire risk is lowest in the winter when there is snow cover but wildland fires are a year-round risk when there is no snow cover and fuels are dry. Home fires occur year-round, so stay vigilant.

Toss out those dried up natural wreaths, garland, and Christmas trees in the trash or the landfill; don't burn or discard them in any outdoor area on GRR and don't dispose of them in the Reservoir Quarry area.

The New Year is a good time to review and revise medical history documents. Consider filling out or updating a My Medical History from the GRR Fire Website: <http://www.grrfd.org/get-informed/>. Providing EMS personnel with a completed My Medical History form can make a huge difference in the efficiency and effectiveness of their care for you or a loved one.

If you have a medical emergency, CALL 911; this activates the County Emergency Medical System (EMS) which includes dispatching available firefighters or other medical personnel and an AMR ambulance. If the ambulance is not needed, EMS personnel will cancel it without charge to you. You cannot call AMR directly to request an ambulance. Please do not call the fire chief or individual medical providers.

#### **New Fire Station Update:**

We post updates on the GRR Homeowners Information Group Facebook page. The station shares the building at 5770 Nixon Gulch Road with the GRRHOA shop. The station is nearing completion but a firm completion date is not set yet. Some interior finishing work remains as well as the installation of an exhaust fan. When the station is done, we plan to have a Grand Opening Celebration and will inform the HOA membership of that event.

The New Fire Station Fundraiser is in progress! We thank the many HOA members who generously have donated a total of \$14,325 since the fall of 2022. Please consider making a donation if you have not already done so. Donation checks can be sent to: Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District, PO Box 109, Manhattan, MT 59741. Donations are tax-deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the IRS code. Please help us fund this critical community safety project.