



The East Side Flyer

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WINTER VEHICLE PREPARATION

We've already had a preview of winter driving this past week. Time to get ready for snow and ice.



VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

- ♦♦ Switch out your summer tires for winter tires, and check the tread and tire pressure.
- ♦♦ Check your car's battery, belts, hoses, radiator, lights, brakes, heater/defroster, windshield wipers and window washing fluid level.

BASIC WINTER SURVIVAL KIT

- ♦♦ Flashlight and batteries.
- ♦♦ Blanket, warm jacket, gloves, hat, snow boots and ice traction footwear. We also carry a beanie that has an LED light on the band for nighttime chain application.
- ♦♦ Snacks and water.
- ♦♦ First aid kit.



TOOLS - Always carry

- ♦♦ Chains and tensioners.
- ♦♦ Ice scraper and/or snow brush.
- ♦♦ Jumper cables and road flares.
- ♦♦ Shovel and traction grit (sand or cat litter).

FIRE DANGER - LOW OPEN BURNING PERMITS NOT REQUIRED

Please check air quality before burning by calling (208) 373-0502 or online at www.airquality.deq.idaho.gov. ESFD appreciates a phone call to let us know when you are going to burn.



(208) 769-4269

**CONTINUE TO WATCH FOR THE FIRE DANGER
STATUS SIGNAGE ON HIGHWAY 97 OR VISIT
OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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OCTOBER HIGHWAY CLEANUP

Fifty-seven East Side Fire Volunteers worked 119 hours collecting 64 large contractor bags of trash from Highway 97 and Burma Road.



PLEASE DON'T LITTER



**SAVE THE DATE
WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 2, 2020
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
ARROW POINT STATION**

Come for a tour and information! (and cookies)

**ESSENTIALS OF FIREFIGHTING
CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 2021**



Don't be left out! Grab a friend and come meet your classmates!

In Essentials class, you will learn

- ♦♦ How to drive a fire engine, tender and brush truck.
- ♦♦ Safe and efficient operation of life-saving vehicle extrication tools.
- ♦♦ Techniques for cold water and ice rescue.
- ♦♦ Water management and fire suppression techniques.



Oh, and you get a very cool yellow safety vest!

SEE YOU THERE!



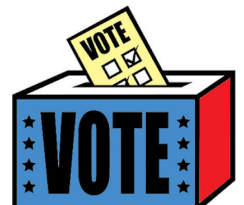
**Change smoke alarm batteries every year.
Replace smoke alarms every 10 years.**

ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY

NOVEMBER 3

8:00AM - 8:00PM



Precinct 67 votes in person at the Arrow Point Station.

Last month, East Side Fire District lost two of its "brothers." We'd like to take a moment to honor their contributions to ESFD and to our community.



Howard "Skip" Lytle volunteered with East Side Fire from 2011 - 2017. He was a Firefighter and an Emergency Medical Services Helper. In 2013, Howard was voted "EMS Responder of the Year." He was awarded Honorary Firefighter status in 2017.

Dave Wardsworth was one of the Founders of East Side Fire District, working with a handful of neighbors in the early 1990s. He was a graduate of the first Essentials of Firefighting Class, serving as a Firefighter from 1994-1997. He spoke of ESFD's beginnings at the 25th Anniversary Celebration in September, 2019.



THANK YOU HOWARD AND DAVE!



**NOVEMBER 11
THANK A VETERAN TODAY**

GENERATORS

- ♦♦ Always use your generator in a well-ventilated area outside and away from all doors, windows and vent openings.
- ♦♦ Place the generator so that exhaust fumes cannot enter the home through any openings in the building.
- ♦♦ NEVER operate a generator in an attached garage, even with the door open.
- ♦♦ Install a CO monitor in your home.
- ♦♦ Turn off generator and allow to cool before refueling.
- ♦♦ Store fuel in a container that is intended for that use and labeled appropriately.



MAINTENANCE

- ♦♦ When not in use for more than 30 days, run generator for a short while every two months.
- ♦♦ Before first usage of the year, check the oil, air filter, fuel strainer and spark plugs. Examine engine for oil leakage and any loose parts that may vibrate and harm nearby components.

If considering a permanent generator installation, make sure that you contract with a licensed electrician.