



## **DOLLAR POINT FIREWISE COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER**

### **MAY 2024**

### **Green Waste Dumpster Event**

**WHEN:** Friday, May 24th and Monday, May 27th

**TIME:** 8:00 am to 2:00 pm (PLEASE NO DUMPING before 8:00 am)

**WHERE:** Beach Parking Lot

Please bring your DPA ID Card with you for the Firewise volunteers to record your data.

This event is **GREEN WASTE ONLY!** Please try to reduce the use of plastic bags, if you can. Please wrap your debris in tarps or use garbage cans or collapsable yard waste containers. There will be reusable bags on-site that members can borrow to help reduce plastic bag waste.

As a reminder, there is **NO DUMPING** without DPA staff present. We know that lines can sometimes be long for this event, but please wait patiently as the staff is surely doing the best they can.

The event will end early if all the dumpsters are full prior to 2:00 pm end time. Firewise volunteers will advise you during each visit.

## It's Springtime at Dollar Point: Time to Check, Clean, Clear, Inspect and Create!

Our Winter snow is melting away and the beautiful area flowers are beginning to bloom. Yes, our wonderful community is renewed and rejuvenated once again! It also marks the beginning of a new season for fire prevention plans and efforts where we should all take the necessary proactive measures to ensure the safety of our homes, loved ones, and the greater community. Here are some essential tips to keep in mind:

1. **Check Your Smoke Alarms:** With the change in seasons, it is critical to test and replace the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.
2. **Clean Your Dryer Vents:** Over our long Winter months, lint can accumulate in dryer vents, which creates a dangerous fire hazard if left unchecked.
3. **Clear Your Roof Gutters:** Over our Dollar Point Winter, pine needles, twigs, and other debris can accumulate in gutters, creating a major fire risk as outside temperatures rise.
4. **Inspect Your Outdoor Grilling Area:** Before you fire up the grill, make sure your grill is clean and free of old grease buildup. For propane grills, check the gas tank hose for any leaks.
5. **Create a Family Fire Escape Plan:** Have you created or reviewed and updated your family's fire escape plan?

### **Other Firewise Tips:**

If you have not already done so, **turn off or unplug your heat tape**. Take the time to inspect the system for any signs of wear or damage. Check for frayed wires, outlet concerns, and other potential hazards so that your system is safe and ready to go for our next Winter season. You might want to consider hiring a licensed electrician to conduct a thorough inspection if you are unclear about something.

**Be cautious with Outdoor Burning...** Before lighting any fires, make sure you are familiar with all [local fire district](#) regulations AND obtain the necessary permits. Those having current and valid residential burn permits may burn on permissible burn days. Check your local fire district website for more information and for a link to obtain a permit. The Air Resource Board, in conjunction with [Placer County's Air Quality Management District](#),

regulates “burn” and “no-burn” days. Lastly, never, EVER leave a fire unattended!

By following these tips for Spring, you can keep your family and property safe from the dangers of fire. Fire prevention is a nonstop, year-round effort, and taking proactive steps now can make a huge difference in protecting your family and assets.

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## Announcing the 2024 Community Wildfire Preparedness Workshop:

- This informative event takes place on Saturday, June 1st, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach.
- The workshop is for all residents and visitors around the Lake. Attending an educational event is required for all Firewise yearly renewals, so this event is a great opportunity to meet that requirement. Please consider bringing 1-3 additional neighbors or friends with you and bring one car as parking is limited.
- Sign up using the QR code.



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## BE TAHOE WILDFIRE READY!

### SO, WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP REDUCE THE THREAT OF WILDFIRE?

- Create defensible space around your home and property, visit: [WWW.NLTFPD.ORG](http://WWW.NLTFPD.ORG)
- Retrofit your home to help withstand a wildfire
- Learn more about being in a fire-adapted community

- Contact your local fire district to learn about what services are offered
- Visit [WWW.TAHOELIVINGWITHFIRE.COM](http://WWW.TAHOELIVINGWITHFIRE.COM) to learn more

**Stay safe, Dollar Point, and be Firewise so you can enjoy the beauty of our Spring season!**