

CalDRE #01477156 February 2024

LAKE LEVEL UPDATE

As of February 1, 2024 -22' 7" @3352' 1" Elevation (full) 3354' 8"





LOVE IS IN THE AIR!

UPCOMING BASS LAKE EVENTS

LOVER'S NIGHT at the PINES BAR February 10th

Pines Bar, Bass Lake Village 9:00 PM - 11:55 PM

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER February 14th

Ducey's Bar & Grill 4:00 - 9:00 PM

COMEDY NIGHT February 17th

Pines Resort Lakeview Room 6:00 - 10:00 PM

Visit http://www.basslake.com/events for information and reservations

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CHECK YOUR FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

If you have a fire extinguisher, make sure it will work when you need it. Most extinguishers sold for home use are not rechargeable, but they do gradually deplete over time and need to be replaced every 12 years — or even earlier if the gauge reads empty. While you're checking, reread the instructions, so you're ready if a fire does occur. And if you don't have extinguishers, this is a good time to add them. The kitchen and the garage are prime locations. Lightweight extinguishers are less expensive but have more limited capacity.

Fire extinguishers contain different extinguishing agents such as water, carbon dioxide, dry chemical or wet chemical, depending on the kind of fire the extinguisher is intended for.

Did you know:

There are 5 primary types of fire extinguishers, each designed to put out different kinds of fires.



class A - For use with ordinary materials like cloth, wood and paper. Often found in homes and businesses

class B - For use with combustible and flammable liquids like grease, gasoline, oil and oil-based paints. Often found in homes and businesses

class C - For use with electrical equipment like appliances, tools or other equipment that is plugged into an outlet. Class C fire extinguishers use an agent that doesn't conduct electricity. Often found in homes and businesses

class D - For use with flammable metals. Often found in factories

class K - For use with vegetable oils, animal oils and fats in cooking appliances. Often found in commercial kitchens (restaurants, cafeterias, catering businesses)

There are also multipurpose fire extinguishers that might be labeled "B-C" or "A-B-C" that can be used on most types of home fires. Most home improvement stores carry multipurpose fire extinguishers that cover Class A through Class C.

Always look for the "UL Listed" or "ULC Listed" label on a fire extinguisher to ensure it is certified for use by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

Fire extinguishers vary in size and weight, but it is recommended to select the largest fire extinguisher that a user can safely and comfortably operate

Visit the fire safety website below or talk to your local fire department if you aren't sure which to buy or how to use it.

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/home-fires/

Home-maintenance tasks for your February to-do list

Prune

If winter storms broke branches in your trees or shrubs, a warmish February day when rain is not in the fore-

cast for at least 24 hours is a great time to tidy up. (Pruning just before a rain increases the chance of the tree becoming infected through those fresh wounds.) And while you have the clippers or pruning saw out, also take a look at other trees and shrubs that might need trimming for shape or fruit production. When branches are bare, it's easier to identify ones that are crossed or diseased. But be careful if you have apple or pear trees, which tend to send up vertical water sprouts or suckers. Heavily pruning those now can cause the tree



to send up even more. Clip off some of the spots, then remove more during the summer. Your local gardening store or your state's extension service can give advice tailored to your area.

Prepare to mow

Lawn-mowing season might not begin until March or even later, depending on where you live. But if you wait until then to check whether your mower, string trimmer and other gear are in good shape, you will probably encounter a backup at repair companies. Save yourself the angst by making sure everything's in working condition; if it isn't, get the repair done now. Also check for a dull or chipped mower blade. There are plenty of YouTube videos that show how to sharpen a mower blade. If it's heavily nicked, though, replace it. To get an exact match, take the old blade with you when you shop.

