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Board of Directors 2021 Schedule of Meetings

All Regular Board Meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month and will begin at 1:00pm. If an Executive Session is required, it will be held at 9:00AM on the same dates with a break for lunch between the morning Executive Session and afternoon Open Session.

Dates: **Location:

January 16, 2021 **Arrowhead Mountain Lodge**

March 20 Arrowhead Mountain Lodge or TBA

May 15 Arrowhead Fire House July 17 Arrowhead Fire House *August 21 **Arrowhead Fire House** September 18 **Arrowhead Fire House** November 13 **Arrowhead Fire House**

*Annual Owners Meeting is scheduled to follow the regular BOD Meeting on August 21st.

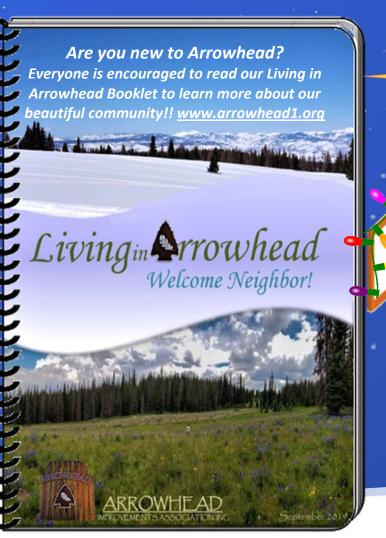
All meeting dates, times and locations may be subject to change.

(**) Due to the current Coronavirus pandemic, please check back to our <u>AIA website</u> and Facebook page for any BOD meeting updates and/or changes to the meeting schedule.

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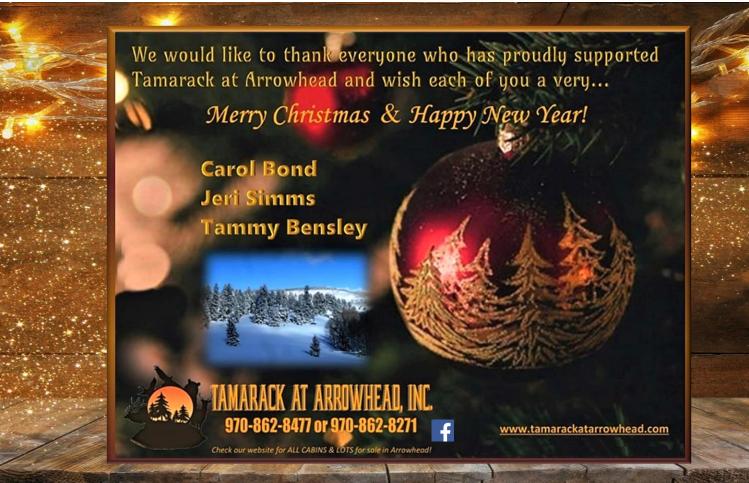
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HOUSE > FOR RENT

Modified A frame. LL has family room with 2 sleep sofas and a laundry room. Main Level has living/dining room combo, kitchen with dishwasher, 2 full baths and a master bedroom with a queen size bed. Upstairs loft has 2 twin beds and 1-double bed. There is a cat walk leading to a small upper deck. Living room has wood stove.

Please contact Sue @ ssullens52@yahoo.com or call 410-971-2522.



President's Message



Greetings "associates"!

That greeting is really appropriate in the climate of the world in which we are presently living. We are connected as earth dwellers, United States citizens, and even as owners at Arrowhead in Gunnison County — which includes all the attending goodness and badness associated with being connected.

Our nation's founding fathers were fully aware of this tenuous connectedness and established a system which recognized and respected differences, and all the while protected the whole from parts that did not. It is my fear that we are rapidly devolving to manipulative parts of the whole imposing their ideas upon the rest of the whole without the due conversation and consideration necessary to seek the higher ideals.

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Some of such recent actions encourage at least me to disassociate myself into the retreat of my remote and private Arrowhead mountain property. Sunrise. Sunset. So pass the days. And the only FOX I see is the occasional four legged one. The only CNN I see is the scene of forested mountains, herd grazing meadows, deep blue-orange sunsets, and billions of stars quietly completing a silent night.

You know what I mean? Of course you do! And that makes us 'associates'.

As your Association leaders, the Board had a primary goal this year of enhancing a happy association. It has been a year of opposition as the powers-that-be work their idea of disassociation to protect the individuals, which of course will work as we isolate from every bug and association. In the end the cure may be as deadly as the disease!

It is of great importance that we as an isolated mountain community work hard to keep associations healthy and strong. These associations are not just social and entertaining, but they are of vital importance as well.

We are mutually associated as we may be called upon to share everything from needed conveniences to emergencies. Sure, we have differences which are easy to recognize, but it takes association to understand, and respect, and live around all those people that will most certainly 'think different'!

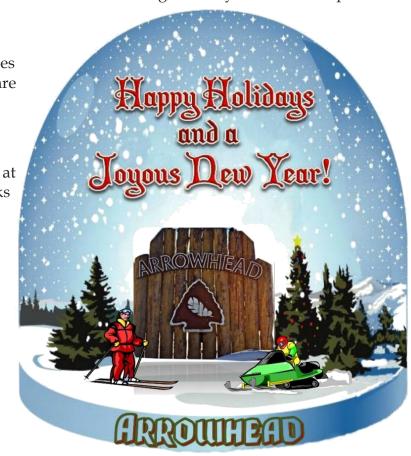
As the holiday season is upon us, I intend to work at remembering you, my associates. I will give thanks for our association. I will more than zoom to celebrate the wonders and joys of being merry people who were made to be, and need to be, in association!

Greetings 'associates'!



Keep happy!
Lowell Kindschy

AIA Board President
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HOLIDAY'S AT ARROWHEAD MOUNTAIN LODGE

No secret this has been a challenging year for everyone. For the Holiday's it is our goal to make them as easy and safe as possible. The biggest change to our holiday line-up is

we will not be having a very elegant New Years holiday's and you keep our

New Years Eve party, instead we will be having a Eve Wine Dinner. We hope to see you during can be sure we are doing everything we can to guest, staff and community safe from covid.

CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER

Please join us for an elegant Christmas Eve Dinner with entertainment at the Lodge. This is a reservation only event.

For more info or to make your table reservation go to our website

NEW YEAR EVE WINE DINNER

This year we are doing New Year Eve a bit different. Please join for our first New Year Eve wine dinner. We are choosing the best fine wines to pair with a very elegant, upscale 4 course dinner. There is only one seating for this special dinner event. Dinner starts at 7:00pm and will end at 10:00pm with a Champaign East Coast Toast. To purchase your tickets or for more info please go to our website

Don't forget about Parade of Lights! December 25th -27th!



We appreciate your support and we are here to support you. With so much uncertanty and the limitations on us to opperate as a buiness we are taking this time to begin a new jouney to offer more services to better serve our community, and also to help keep our employees employed. The Lodge can not exisit without the support of the Arrowhead Community and our employees. We are very grateful for the support the community has continued to show us and our AMAZING staff.

WHAT IS NEW AND SOON TO COME FROM AML

- Prepared Meals to heat and serve at your convenience
- Delivery of Menu and General Store items
- Online Ordering of both Menu and General Store items with the option to be delivered when you want
- Trash pick-up service

- Snow removal
- Heated outdoor seating in a snow fort!
- Sled Hill
- Private Parties in our repurposed Shed that opens up to the outside

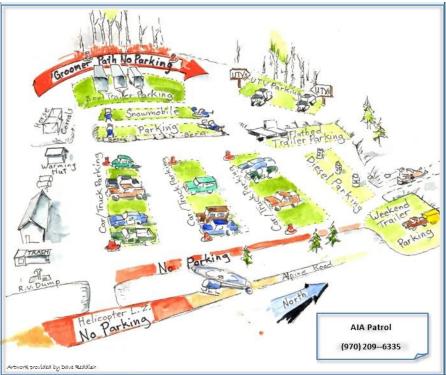
Keep Checking our <u>website</u> for updated info as we launch these new service

Maintenance & Improvements Message

All systems are go for winter. The equipment is in good condition and we have a good supply of gravel ready for our winter season on the Alpine. Soon we'll be closing the roads and it will be snowmobile time again. Life on the mountain. Our groomer operator is ready to go and the groomer is in good condition, ready for the snow. The parking lot is all laid out and Patrol and Will have expanded the Side by Side parking area to accommodate the increased number of machines.



Winter Parking Lot Map



Weekend trailer parking will continue to be in the northeast corner of the parking lot. Please be courteous to others when parking in the parking lot and adjacent areas and remember to leave enough room for others to park.

Remember to get a sticker on your vehicles you park in the winter parking lot so you can be contacted if there is a need to move your vehicle. Patrol is ready at a phone call to provide you with stickers and it makes it a lot easier when it comes time to plow the parking lot.

You must park within the designated areas to allow for the passage of the groomer, grader and loader during snow removal operations. Make sure to download and print off our **Winter Parking Lot Guideline & Map** found on our AIA website.

As I type this report it is a bit bittersweet as it is my last report. My time on the Board of Directors is at an end. It has been a great satisfaction and a greater challenge but it's been almost six years and it's time for someone else to take up this position.

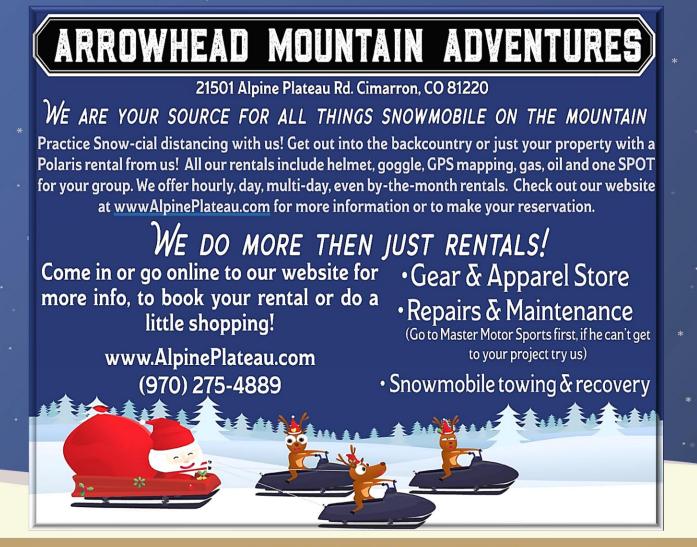
I'd like to extend my most sincere thanks and gratitude to Will Hobson, Ron Corder and Doug Maffry. These folks work very diligently to keep our roads in good condition in both winter all other seasons to allow us to safely and easily move about our community. These guys hard work have made my time as the Equipment and Maintenance Liaison just that much easier, the most enjoyable part of my time on the Board of Directors. I hope all of you in our community realize how hard they work. Please take the time to thank them when you see them out making our lives easier.



Jim Matteson **BOD Equipment and Maintenance Liaison**jem577905@qmail.com

For more information, visit the Maintenance & Improvements webpage at: https://www.arrowhead1.org/maintenance-improvements





2020 OH WHAT A YEAR!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Wishing you and yours a very happy, healthy and prosperous new year.





During this current COVID 19 situation, the AIA Board of Directors, employees and volunteers are committed to the health and safety of all property owners and residents. Collectively, we are adhering to the restrictions put in place by the authorities of Gunnison County, the state Colorado and the Federal Officials, under the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). These mandated safety measures and restrictions has required our Association to adjust our everyday routines.

This is a situation our community has never encountered before. We appreciate your **flexibility, patience and understanding** as we maneuver through the upcoming weeks & months. As information becomes available will continue to do our best to post it on our <u>AIA website</u> and/or <u>Facebook page</u>.

You can also do your part to stay informed, as well. Continuous updates are provided by Gunnison County, the state of Colorado and the Federal Agencies. Below, you will

Gunnison County:

- Gunnison County's special COVID 19 webpage at https://covid19.gunnisoncounty.org/
- Gunnison County Health & Human Services Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/GunnisonCountyHHS/

Colorado Division of Public Health & Environment:

- CDPHE COVID-19 Web Page
- CDPHE COVID-19 Facts for Coloradans
- CDPHE Cleaning Guidance for COVID-19

Centers for Disease Control (CDC):

• CDC COVID-19 Web Page



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

TIME FOR THANKS TO THE MANY GREAT PEOPLE THAT HAVE SUPPORTED ME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. MAY YOU HAVE A BLESSED HOLIDAY WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!!





Forestry Message

Smoke Signals December '20/January '21

Bark beetles continue to kill trees each year in the Arrowhead area. Each type of tree has its own type of bark beetle. The beetles that kill balsam and aspen trees have not yet had a significant effect on the Arrowhead forest. Early removal of the dead trees seems to show some benefits but there is not a definitive method of controlling these beetles. Douglas fir and spruce beetles have been more of a problem in the past, but the MCH pheromone beetle repellent packs have been very successful in greatly reducing Douglas fir and spruce mortality.

The price for MCH packs is up slightly this year at \$1.19 each. Please write your check to the AIA and send to Bill Conway, 1734 SE 52nd Ave, Portland, OR 97215. MCH packs will be available for pick up at Arrowhead in mid-May and should be put up by mid-June. If you are not available to put them up at that time, you can have them put up by a volunteer from the Fire Department with a donation of your choice. Write a separate check to the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department (AVFD) and send to Bill Conway at the above address.

The spruce bud worm continues to be a problem and in some areas is even killing larger trees. The primary concern is that the trees that have been weakened enough over several years of severe foliage damage will now be killed by bark beetles in the spring. Owners that have had a heavy attack from spruce bud worm the last few years should consider applying MCH packs as well as direct protection from the spruce bud worm with ACE caps and liquid Sevin.

Contact Bill directly if you have questions about ordering MCH or ACE Caps.

The **Forest Refuse Site** will be burned this winter. That is normally after there is a foot of snow on the ground. Because of the extremely dry conditions this fall we may have to wait a little longer for the larger fuels in the adjacent forest to completely absorb moisture before the burn can occur. Arrangements have already been made with the State to renew the burn permit in January; if that should become necessary.

Concerns about dry forest conditions leads me to concerns about **mitigation and defensible space**. With the current drought conditions fires are becoming larger and more frequent in the west for the last several years. The "norm" in the past was for large fires to occur in pine forests and brush areas where fires can be expected to occur every 20 to 30 years on any given acre. In high elevation forest types, like Arrowhead, the long-term fire return interval was more in the range of 200 years. The problem is that with that long interval large amounts of fuels tend to build up and smaller trees with low branches develop, which results in conditions where fire can go into the tops of the trees and become a crown fire that is impossible to control. With the drought conditions of the last several years there are more large fires burning in these high elevation forests.

The consequence for Arrowhead is that our high elevation advantage is no longer as strong as it used to be. Mitigation refers to the general forest and defensible space is focused on the 35 feet or so directly around structures. Many owners have done a good job of doing treatments in those areas over the years and many others need to get that work done. In the Summer of 2021, I would like to challenge owners to really focus on creating and maintaining defensible space. Even if you have done this work in the past, defensible space requires annual maintenance to be effective.

"Effective" means space that the fire department can use to defend your structures during low to moderate wildland fire conditions. I have even seen many cases where this type of work has saved houses from fire when fire fighters were not present. The first 5 feet around structures needs to be completely non-combustible; gravel, concrete or bare dirt. In the next 30 feet, more if there is a steep slope, grass should be kept cut to 4 inches, debris over ½ inch in diameter removed, there should be space between the crowns of trees, and trees should be limbed up so that the tips of the limbs are 8 feet above the ground. The structures also need to be maintained by not storing combustibles under porches and decks, removing debris from roof valleys, and maintaining items required by building codes; such as screened vents. Firewood should not be stored in this 35-foot defensible space zone.

Please think about your defensible space situation over the winter and contact me as spring approaches to help you make a plan. If you are going to need a contractor, remember we have a limited number at Arrowhead and the sooner you contact them the more likely that the work gets done before the driest part of fire season arrives. With all of the fires in 2020 you also may hear from your insurance company.

Logging will be continuing until Hwy 50 road construction begins. A new timber sale may start on BLM property as early as January 2021. If you observe safety problems with logging trucks contact me with as much information on the incident as possible.



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Bill Conway

Arrowhead Forest Manager

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For more information, visit the Forest Management webpage at: https://www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management









How to Order MCH PACKS and/or ACE CAPS

MCH PACKS: Arrowhead has made tremendous progress combating bark beetles the last few years, but we need to continue putting up MCH packs to maintain that success. The price is up slightly from last year at \$1.19 each. To order, please make out a check to the Arrowhead Improvements Association (AIA) and mail to Bill Conway, 1734 SE 52nd Ave, Portland, OR 97215. Please have your checks to Bill by Jan 31, 2021.

MCH packs will be available for pick up at Arrowhead beginning in mid-May and should be put up by mid-June. If you cannot be at Arrowhead to put up your MCH packs in the first two weeks of June you can have them put up by a volunteer from the fire department with a donation of your choice to the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department (AVFD) and mail to Bill Conway at the above address. If you have questions on how many to order or to have them put up for you, contact Bill at arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com.

ACE CAPS: The Spruce Bud Worm continues to be a problem in some parts of Arrowhead. Owners that had a heavy infestation last year can expect about the same in 2021. Smaller trees can be sprayed with Liquid Sevin and larger trees that are around structures and parking areas can be treated with ACE Caps.

3/8" Caps are inserted into drilled holes every 6" around the tree. ½" Caps can be used on trees over 20" diameter and are inserted every 8" around the tree. Prices are the same as last year and must be purchased in the quantities listed. 3/8" Package of 75 is \$56.25: ½" package of 10 is \$9.00: ½" package of 50 is \$45.00.

Please write a SEPARATE CHECK from the MCH Pack orders to: Arrowhead Improvements Association (AIA) and mail to: Bill Conway 1734 SE 52nd Ave Portland, OR 97215.

All Orders are due by January, 31st 2021

Logging & Road Activity Information

Several years ago, the AIA made an agreement with the US Forest Service that when logging was occurring on the Alpine Plateau there would be no log haul on the Alpine Plateau Road on Thanksgiving weekend and between Christmas and New Year's Day. The reason for that agreement was to avoid conflicts between logging trucks and snowmobiles during those high use snowmobile times.

Although the current logging is being done on US Forest Service land the timber sales are being administered under a Colorado State Forest Service contract. When that contract was written log haul was also excluded on all Federal Holidays. However, the timber sale purchaser, Montrose Forest Products, requested a waiver of that restriction for the holidays of:



- Martin Luther King Day Jan 18, 2021
- President's Day Feb 15, 2021

This request was granted last winter without incident and the AIA has agreed to waive the restriction on these four Federal Holidays again this winter.

These extra haul days will allow for the removal of more of the beetle killed trees from the Alpine Plateau before haul is suspended in the spring of 2021 because of the Little Blue Canyon Highway 50 project.

The primary concern for Arrowhead residents with this operation is safety on the Alpine Road. Owners should expect similar activity to last year with 20 to 30 loaded trucks per day and occasional long low boy trucks moving heavy equipment. The timber purchaser has agreed to use pilot cars with the low boys on the lower portion of the Alpine. Owners and log trucks have an equal responsibility to drive safely on the Alpine. If you observe any problems with the trucks please report as many of the following items as possible to Bill Conway (541-729-6259), so that he can follow up with the State Forest Service and Montrose Forest Products: Date, time, location, and details of the incident; truck color, name on door, and most definitive identification of all is the black numbers painted on the end of the logs. Montrose Forest Products takes safety very seriously and some serious or repeated problems last year resulted in removal of that truck from the sale.

Bill will be leaving Arrowhead for the winter and can be reached by phone or email to take care of any questions regarding hazard trees, insect and disease or logging problems.



US 50 Little Blue Creek Canyon Information



Starting in the Spring of 2021, USDOT in conjunction with CDOT will begin the <u>US Hwy 50-Little Blue Creek Canyon project</u>. The project will be located between mile posts 123 and 126.8.

CDOT is now providing information with regards to the upcoming <u>US Hwy 50 Little Blue Creek Canyon project</u>; detailing schedule, travel impacts, access, and other important information. Click on the link to review: http://highways.dot.gov/sites/fhwa.dot.gov/files/20200827-little-blue-creek-canyon-info-sheet-faq.pdf

This project is being managed by Central Federal Lands (CFL) and questions can be directed to: John Knowles, phone: 720-618-9414 or email: us50@dot.gov

Construction is anticipated to begin February 2021, with full highway closures starting in April. More information will be distributed once a contractor has been selected.

For additional questions, you may also can contact:

Raelene Shelly, P.E.
Professional Engineer II, CDOT
Region 3 Montrose Residency
Email at: raelene.shelly@state.co.us



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Design Review Message

It finally happened! The snow is here. Everything looks so pretty and clean. I can't wait to head out on the sleds!!!! The DRC had our final meeting of the year in October. Our next meeting will be in March of 2021. We still have many projects that are open and some that are being planned for our next building season. If you are wanting to start a project next summer, you don't need to wait until we meet in the spring. The Design Review Committee has become very proficient in getting this done via email. If we can approve your plans and you get a deposit on a contractor, now, it makes things move along much quicker when the snow melts. After the snow melts, we can do our site visit and have your permit finalized. Please remember the planned construction in the canyon. This could lead to difficulties with getting supplies up to Arrowhead as well as easy access from Montrose and Gunnison

With that being said, a couple of reminders:

- When you are planning a property improvement, you need to have the Construction Agreement and Plot Plan sent to me(jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com) and the \$100 permit fee needs to be sent to the highlighted address on the Construction Agreement. This address is AIA Office, PO Box 83 Gunnison Colorado, 81230
- You need to locate your center pin and flag several points on the property boundary
- Flag several points the adjacent properties as well
- Flag any site of improvements -- driveway, shed perimeter, trees you think need removed, etc. A DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE
- Once this is done, a DRC committee member will come and do a site visit
- Please refer to this document for many of the different project types done in Arrowhead
- Here is the link to the <u>DRC website</u> where you can find the regulations and more information
- DRC members are happy to assist you in this process but as the property owner you are responsible for the accuracy of the center pin. A professional site survey is the best way to be positive of an accurate center pin, if it is in question.

This summer over 100 properties changed hands in Arrowhead. We are so excited to see all the new Community Members. Please know that all property improvements need to go through the DRC. Most require a permit. Some just get the go ahead "OK" because they are considered maintenance. It is better to ask than be in violation of the Arrowhead Regulations. We have a lot of new contractors up here and they do not know our Regulations. It is the homeowner who is responsible for educating themselves and their contractors about the rules.

** Utilities ** - Many owners have been asking about putting in utilities. Please note that this MUST be approved by the Design Review Committee. You are not required to pay for a permit, but we must approve the location of your plans. Failure to notify the Design Review Committee could result in up to \$1000 in fines.

Shed Regulations -

- All Sheds MUST be approved by the Arrowhead Design Review Committee
- If you have an approved Gunnison Co septic system, you do not need a Gunnison Co building permit as long as your shed is no larger than 200sf. If the shed is larger than 200sf you are required to apply for a building permit through Gunnison Co.
- If you do not have an approved Gunnison Co septic system, you are required to get a building permit from Gunnison Co. no matter what the size.

Please continue to follow the requirements set forth for improvements in the 2020 AIA Regulations. This helps the committee move forward for you more quickly. Please also continue to be knowledgeable of the updates from Gunnison Co on Covid-19 Gunnison Co Health Regulation.

We look forward to continuing serving the owners of this great community.



Joanie Thompson AIA Design Review Mgr.

jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com

All meetings are held at the firehouse unless the filing roads are closed. If roads are closed, the meeting will be held at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge lobby.

DRC Meetings are usually held on the second Monday of a given month as scheduled above and start at 9:00am to approximately Noon

If confidential, private or privileged information needs to be discussed at a DRC meeting,







Message from Patrol

Winter is Coming (We hope)

As I type this article (a week before Thanksgiving and 7- hours before this article is due), I reflect on the two most asked questions from this week:

- What are the road conditions?
- When are the roads going to be closed?

Well, the filing roads this week have been a mess. We are in the fall mud season to the extent that the Patrol truck is currently incognito due to a very thick coat of the stuff. The steering wheel has been giving my right arm a work-out as I've been rapidly steering left and right just to go straight.



The temperatures have been in the mid 40s so the answer the second question is a medical term - GOK which means "God Only Knows". (I learned that in a trivia game.)

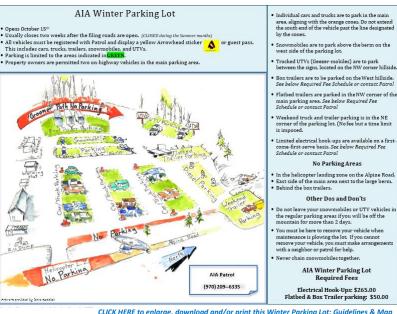
Will and the Board make the road closing call. (Mostly Will.)

When that does occur the "Snowmobiles Only" signs will go out and property owners should NOT ignore them. When folks do, they get stuck and Will, or Ron, or Patrol, or kindly neighbors have to help get the "stuckees" unstuck. This has happened to loads of folks from the Dish™ service man to the Gunnison Fire-chief.

Speaking of getting stuck, if you do find yourself in that situation and call Will or ask Patrol to call Will, make sure that you're really stuck. If Will, has to drop what he's doing, drive to the equipment building, warm-up the payloader, and drive it to the scene of the stuck vehicle and it's not there...well it's not a pretty picture and the sound track is even worse.



Winter Parking Lot: Guidelines & Map



CLICK HERE to enlarge, download and/or print this Winter Parking Lot: Guidelines & Map

The tracked UTV (Geezer-mobile) parking area has been expanded on the hillside of the NW corner of the parking area. Geezer-mobiles/snowmobiles are not allowed parking in the main area for more than two consecutive nights.

Weekend truck and trailer parking, as of last year, is in the NE corner. Extended trailer parking is limited to the west hillside for box trailers and the NW corner of the main parking area for flatbed trailers. There is a \$50 seasonal fee for both areas. Clearance for plowing and grooming must be strictly maintained.

ALL vehicles must display an **AIA Parking Permit or** Visitors pass. This includes cars, trucks, snowmobiles, UTVs, and trailers. The parking permits MUST be registered to the current owner and can be obtained from Patrol.

NOTE: If you have purchased any of the above vehicles from an Arrowhead resident, contact Patrol to get it reregistered in your name.







Running Drives

If you want Patrol to run your drive this winter, we need 3 things:

- 1. A signed Release & Waiver of Liability for Requested Services, which can be found at arrowhead1.org or obtained from Patrol.
- 2. A safe route marked with pairs of poles ≥ 4 ft. to the cabin and back to the filing road.
- 3. Have a Patrol officer approve and flag the route.

Finally, we ask that ALL parties, when dealing with Patrol, to observe current COVID safety protocols.



Dave Reddish, Lead-AIA Patrol Team Phone or Text: (970) 209-6335 Email: arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com





Important Phone Numbers

AIA Property Owner Information

- Emergency Fire and Medical call 911 (Gunnison)
- Arrowhead Patrol call or text (970) 209-6335
- Arrowhead Firehouse (970) 862-8330
- Arrowhead Ranch Water Company Office 970-249-6197 (Emergency 970-209-2104)
- Gunnison County Electric Association 970-641-3520 (including reporting power outages)
- Nucla-Naturita Telephone/Internet Arrowhead: 970-862-9101 or Primary: 970-864-7335

Steps to Take Before You Alter Your Property

- Please Read the Covenants and Regulations: www.arrowhead1.org/governing-documents-regulations
 - To put in a driveway, Contact the Design Review Manager to apply for a permit.
 - If you are installing utilities you MUST contact the Design Review.
- Before you build, read the Design Review Guidelines and call the Design Review Manager to schedule a driveway walk-in and apply for required permits: www.arrowhead1.org/design-review
- Before you cut trees, contact the AIA Forest Manager: www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management



encouraged to read our "Living in Arrowhead" booklet. This booklet is a handy documents. You can find this booklet on our website at www.arrowhead1.org reference guide designed to provide information about the community and nearby amenities. Please note, this booklet does NOT take the place of the All Arrowhead in Gunnison Country owners, their guest and residents, are Arrowhead Covenants, Regulations or any other official AIA governing

CALL 970-209-6335 AIA Patrol:

Patrol is your friend and neighbors! Our agents handle so many details for the owners in Arrowhead. Here's just a few:

- Firepit Approval (annual inspection required)
- Issue stickers and visitor passes that are REQUIRED for all vehicles using AIA filing roads.
- Neighbor Concerns
 Regulation Information
- Groom a trail for you to your cabin in the winter call them for info.

be followed per our Regulations. Failure to do so could result in up to a \$1000 fine. Some projects require a permit and some are just approved starting ANY project. Visit the webpage: www.arrowhead1.org/design-reviev and updated in our files. Contact the Design Review Committee before the Design Review Committee (DRC). There are procedures that must All property changes and/or exterior improvements MUST be sent to

Are you wanting to take out a few trees? You can only remove any tree Removal of live trees without a permit could result in up to a \$1000 fine, on your property that is dead. All other trees over 2 inches in diameter per tree. Bill will also answer questions on mitigation and tree health. He can also help you identify for removal, trees that are a danger to at 4'6" above ground, must have approval from our Forest Mgr.

Forestry:

Spruce Rd...before the cattle guard. Contact Forest Manager for further Located: Left side of the Alpine Plateau Rd, 1/4 mile south of Upper information. This site is ONLY for forest mitigation materials. www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management

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arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com

Design Review

Committee:

thompsonaia.drc@gmail.com Joanie Thompson DRC Manager:

Forest

Forest Manager:

Bill Conway

existing or planned structures and parking areas. Arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com Forest Refuse Site: 541-729-6259

NO STUMPS!

- NO CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS of any kind are allowed!



Trash Compactor: located in the Winter Parking Lot on the East end of

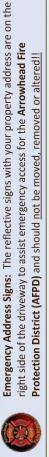
- Household trash only: NO Cardboard!! Do not leave bags of trash outside Cost is \$10 per month (or any portion thereof). Pay with your AIA Dues.
 - compactor. Be sure to fasten both locks due to BEARS!
- Visit webpage to read: IMPORTANT: RULES FOR THE USE OF THE TRASH COMPACTOR

Offsite Landfill and Recycling options are available in Montrose and Gunnison counties

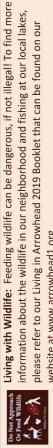
Other things to remember... www.arrowhead1.org



During the Winter months, the filing roads in Arrowhead are CLOSED to all vehicular Arrowhead (AIA) Filing Roads Speed Limit is 20mph ALL YEAR round! traffic except for snowmobiles and other tracked vehicles.



Lakes & Fishing: There are three (3) lakes available to AIA property owners and their stocking of the Lower Flint Lakes and has set a catch limit of three (3) fish per person guests: Flint Lakes, Evergreen Lake and Hazel Lake. Fishing is available at Flint Lakes and at Evergreen Lake only. The AIA, through its' board of directors, regulates



their droppings and leave them alongside a road or trail. If you do bag the dropping, Pets must be leashed or kept under owner control at all times. Please DO NOT bag information about the wildlife in our neighborhood and fishing at our local lakes, please refer to our Living in Arrowhead 2019 Booklet that can be found on our website at www.arrowhead1.org



Renting Your Property: Owners are responsible and accountable for their guests noncompliance to the regulations. Renters must be given information about our take it with you.



guest RV can stay for 14 days each calendar month. If you plan to have more than the RV Campers & Visitors: as a property owner, you can camp all summer! One (1) one guest RV, you must contact the Board of Directors for an exception.



Volunteering: Our community depends on volunteers for almost everything. Please look at the website for ways to get involved at www.arrowhead1.org



will help us keep Arrowhead the beautiful community it has been for the last 40+ years.

We are so happy to WELCOME you to the mountain. We hope that you

You can find additional information on our AIA website at www.arrowhead1.org

Visit our Facebook page: 4 Arrowhead Improvements Association – AIA

To stay digitally connected to our community for important updates:

Join our Blast Email Listing

And Most Importantly ..

Get to know your neighbors--they are a wealth of information!!



ARROWHEAD SNOWMOBILE CLUB



ArrowheadSnowmobile.org

Our warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a happy New Year!

Merry Christmas Happy New Year Keep on Braaaping

Snowmobiling 101

Are you new to snowmobiling, or new to snowmobiling in Arrowhead?

Join us on

Saturday, December 12th

At 10:30am

In the

Arrowhead Mountain Lodge Parking

Lot

To learn the basics about

Snowmobiling, Safety in the

back-country and the

s and don't storiding within the

Arrowhead Community

7th Annual Arrowhead Snowmobile Club

Poker Run

Saturday February 20, 2021



Better practice Snow-cial Distancing now so we can ride the Poker Run!

We are running the club rides different this year to make them fundor every skill level. Check it out, come ride with us. Then after the ride attend the club meeting and give us feed back on how we can do better.

Club Rides & Meetings-Saturday

Club Rides and the Club meeting are held the second Saturday of the month at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge

Club rides meet at 10:30am

Club meeting Starts at 4:00pm

December 12th (Snowmobiling 101)

January 9th

February 13th
March 13th
April 10th

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PARADE OF LIGHTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25TH • SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26TH • SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27TH OR SELF-GUIDED

PARADE OF LIGHTS IS A COMMUNITY EVENT WHERE VOLUNTEERS LEAD GROUPS ON A SNOWMOBILE OR SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH TRACKS (AKA GEEZER) TOUR AROUND THE ARROWHEAD NEIGHBORHOOD TO VIEW AND JUDGE THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS RESIDENTS HAVE PUT UP TO DECORATE THEIR PROPERTY FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

This year we are doing something a little different because of covid. Instead of trying to do all the tours in one night we are spreading our tour groups over three days and giving the option for a self-guided tour. From Friday, December 25th through Sunday, December 27th we will have only two tour times at 5:30pm and 7:00pm. Both tours on Friday and Sunday will be snowmobile only and the tours on Saturday will be a snowmobile group at 5:30 and a Geezer Group at 7:00pm. Tours will meet outside in the beer garden at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge. Tour sizes are Limited. Be sure to get your reservation in ASAP.

People interested in a self-guided tour can pick up a map and voting form at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge, Arrowhead Mountain Adventures or email us a request to arrowheadsnowmobile@gmail.com and we will email you the map when it is available.

Voting forms are to be submitted at the Lodge and are due by Thursday December 31st at 3:00pm.

Winners of the Christmas Light Decoration Contest will be announced on New Years Day.

Christmas Light Decoraton Prizes

1st \$75 Gift Card to Arrowhead Mountain Lodge 2nd \$50 Gift Card to Gunnison County Electric Association 3rd \$35 Gift Card to Arrowhead Mountain Adventures 4th \$15 towards an Arrowhead Snowmobile Club Membership

To enter your property into the Christmas Light Decoration contest please contact JoanieA at (970)862-8415 so she can put you on the map and voting form.

To Reserve your group tour, email your request with the number of people in your party, the date and which time you would like to arrowheadsnowmobile@gmail.com or call Skye at the lodge (970) 862-8206.

If you would like to request a self-guided map and voting form to be emailed to you, please email your request to arrowheadsnowmobile@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued participation! We hope you have a safe & healthy holiday

Arrowhead Fire Protection District





Happy Holidays! We hope you're having a wonderful holiday season. This time of year, brings some special fire safety issues along with it. The Winter Holiday Safety Tips located in this month's Smoke Signals are some great reminders on ways to keep your home and family safe this season.



Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.

HOLIDAY DECORATING

- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Keep decorations away from windows and doors.

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HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING

- Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.



Before Heading Out or to Bed

Blow out lit candles when you leave the room or go to bed. **Turn off** all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

FACTS

- More than one-third of home decoration fires are started by candles.
- More than two of every five decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source.

It's a great time of year to replace the batteries in those smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Give them a test while you're at it. Making sure these devices are properly installed and operating in your home can save lives.

Visit <u>www.arrowheadfire.org</u> for all the latest fire department news & info.

Smoke Detectors

Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. Having a working smoke alarm in the home cuts the chances of dying in a reported fire in half.

96%



96% of all homes have at least one smoke alarm, according to a 2010 telephone survey.

67%



Almost 67% of home fire deaths in 2005-2009 resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

25%



When smoke alarms fail to operate, it is usually because batteries are missing, disconnected or dead.



Carbon Monoxide Alarms

de is an invisible,

Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil and methane) do not completely burn.



nfpa.org/education @NFPA 2019



Sadly, the annual Christmas Party at the Lodge hosted by the AVFD Auxiliary has been canceled due to COVID restrictions. The Auxiliary will continue to look for other ways for the community and fire department to have fun together.





SIGN UP

Alert Email Notifications

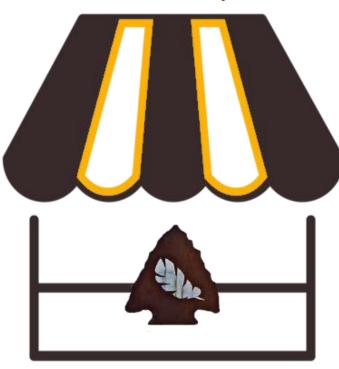
Communications Manager Needed for Arrowhead Fire Protection District

We are looking for someone to take over the management of our website and Facebook page. Responsibilities include posting content, updating website format, and suggesting content to the AFPD board. If you have a working knowledge of Facebook and website administration, contact us. Workload is typically a few hours per month, and is compensated. If interested contact **Steve Gauthier at mtnsteve86@gmail.com**

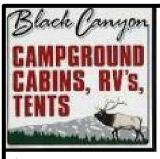
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Looking to sell or buy personal items?

<u>Click Here</u> to check out
our community's....



Arrowhead's Online Classified & Market Place



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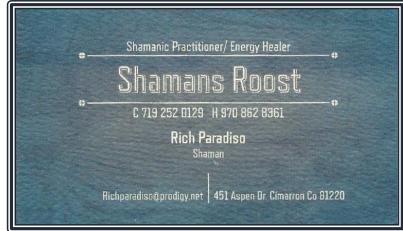
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ALL THINGS ROCK AND DIRT

2020-2021 **Sn**lww Rep

by Harold Thompson & Joanie Aufderheide

Visit our AIA website, www.arrowhead1.org to get the latest up-todate Area Forecast, **Cams & Conditions AND** Snow Reports.

ARROWHEAD SNOW REPORT		WINTER	2021						
DATE MEASURED	TIME MEASURED	TEMP.(F)	AMOUNT (Inches)	Seasonal Cumulative	тот	AL for season (Inches)	BASE DEPTH (Inches on ground) Base depth varies due to settling, melting, blowing, etc.	CONDITIONS	LOCATION
Sept. 8	11:00 AM		8		8			lot Included in Total	821 Balsam
Oct. 31	11:00 AM	24°	10		10			First snowfall of season!	821 Balsam
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Nov. 2020									
11/8/20	8:00 AM	20°	8		8		8	Heavy wet snow/Sunny	821 Balsam
11/9/20	7:30 AM	22°	6		14		14	Dry/Powder/Snowing	821 Balsam
11/10/20	7:30 AM	16°	4		18		15	Dry Powder/Sunny	821 Balsam
11/14/20	7:00 AM	24°	trace		18		11	Windy/Snowing	821 Balsam
11/14/20	2:00PM	24°	1		19		11	Sunny/Windy	821 Balsam
11/21/20	8:00AM	28°	1		20		10	Sunny/Windy	821 Balsam
11/24/20	8:00AM	25°	7		27		15	Snowing/Breezy	821 Balsam
11/24/20	10:00AM	24°	1		<u>28</u>		16	Overcast/breezy	821 Balsam
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Comparison: Snowfall for November 2017 = 113.50 Snowfall for November 2018 = 114.5 Snowfall for November 2019 = 21 Snowfall for November 2020 = 28

Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2017 = 119.5 Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2018 = 227.5 Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2019 = 221 Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2020 = 38



2021 Reading List

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
June 4	Perennials	Julie Cantrell
July 9	First Light	Bill Rancic
Aug. 6	A Gentleman	Amor Towles
	In Moscow	
Sept. 3	The Guest List	Lucy Foley
Oct. 1	This Tender Land	William Kent Krueger

*January through May read, read, read and share what you would like us to read next year!!

The Giver of Stars

Questions: Contact Sue Kindschy at smkindschy@gmail.com We meet the first Friday of the month unless noted. Join us at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge at 11:30 a.m. All welcome! *July postponed a week due to the 4th of July holiday

Jojo Moves

**Due to the Gunnison County COVID19 Public Health Orders, the Book Club might be meeting via an online group discussion. Please email club leader, Sue Kindschy for the online meeting details: smkindschy@gmail.com



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Attn: All Arrowhead Owners & Residents,

November Average Snowfall

Please be advised that UPS, FedEx and the USPS do NOT drive up the mountain to deliver packages to the Arrowhead residence during the Winter Season!! They will only deliver as far as the Package Closet and/or mailboxes at the bottom of the hill along Hwy 50.

It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to kindly TRACK and COLLECT YOUR PACKAGES** in a TIMELY MANNER once you know your package has been delivered!! When the Package Closet is FULL, the shipping companies will STOP DELIVERING until the Closet has the adequate space to accommodate additional packages!

Also, when checking the Package Closet, please take the extra security measures to ensure the door to the closet is... **COMPLETELY CLOSED AND LOCKED!!** We don't want a package pilfering issue to take place!!

The Arrowhead owners who personally "volunteered their time and money" to build the Package Closet and agreed to share this privilege with their Arrowhead friends and neighbors, THANK YOU for your attention and RESPECT to this matter!!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: the USPS mailboxes and package closet is NOT the jurisdiction, responsibility, nor common property of the Arrowhead Improvements Association (the HOA). All issues relating to the mail and/or package deliveries is the sole responsibility of each individual property owner and/or resident, as agreed upon with the specific shipping companies.

Nov. 5