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June/July 2013

Arrowhead Improvements Association Newsletter



Photo by Bridget Isle

The Simple
Pleasures
of Summer...



The easeful days, the dreamless nights; the homely
round of plain delights; the calm unambitious mind,
the simple stuff of Summertime.

Author: Aster Austin Dobson



The Bloss Family

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President's Message

Photo by Bridget Isle

Hi Everyone! The roads are open and many of us are already looking forward to Tuesday night pot luck dinners, going to the Inn for dinner, enjoying a campfire and hot dogs with our friends and family. We do love to eat, don't we? We are so blessed to have Arrowhead.

In the meantime, Colorado is moving forward to insure that people who own property in covenant protected communities, like Arrowhead, are allowed the peaceful enjoyment of their homes and properties. Like states all over the country, Colorado is strengthening its laws governing owner associations, such as Arrowhead, and the Boards of Directors who govern them. Since many of these laws address your rights as owners and the board's responsibilities to you, I want to keep you informed by updating you on some of these laws.

For example, the Colorado Common Interest Ownership Act (CCIOA) states in part that the association shall provide education to owners at least on an annual basis as to the general operations of the association and the rights and responsibilities of owners, the association and it's executive board. We will be providing this to you in a variety of ways; website postings, articles in the Smoke Signals, Annual Owner's meeting and so forth.

DID YOU KNOW?

On January 1, 2013 House Bill 12-1237 went into effect. This law concerns owner's rights to access Association records. The law clarifies what documents specifically constitute an association record and outlines which records must be made available to owners for inspection. You can read the entire law from the Google website by searching HB 1237 Colorado.

One of the nine required governance policies that the Arrowhead board of directors is required by law to have in place is a policy regarding handling of disputes between the Association and the Owners. The Arrowhead board adopted such a policy on October 20, 2012. This policy is entitled Policy of Dispute Resolution between the Association and Owners and is posted on the Arrowhead website.

House Bill 13-1276 is a new bill that outlines a collection policy and payment plan for owners who are delinquent with their dues. The bill, which will go into effect January 1, 2014, has been sent to the Governor for signature.

I hope to see you at the Arrowhead events this summer and at our board meetings.

Bobbie Kerns, President

bobbiekerns2013@gmail.com



The Board of Directors is pleased to welcome John Moseman as a newly appointed director to the board. John was appointed to the board at the May 18th Board meeting in Arrowhead, to fill the vacancy created by Carol Flicks's resignation. John's term will expire in mid January, 2014.

Welcome to the board, John!



AVFD Hiring New Fire Chief



The Arrowhead Fire Protection District is accepting applications for Fire Chief. This is a part time position and the only paid position in the department. The Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department consists of Fire Fighters, First Responders and a Search and Rescue Team. The Chief's duties include, but are not limited to: training, ensuring the facility and equipment are well maintained and stocked, acting as I/C while present during a call, attending meetings in and out of the fire protection district and working with the fire protection district's board of directors. Pay DOQ. Please email your letter of application with a resume to **Kevin Stilley** at: thestilleys@msn.com

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The *Arrowhead Improvements Association Inc.* is a state non-profit organization. The purpose of the Arrowhead HOA is to unite the property owners of the Arrowhead subdivisions in Cimarron, Colorado; to encourage civic improvements within said area, to encourage community activities including, but not by way of limitation, the beautification, maintenance, and general appearance of vacant and improved lots, filing roads, winter parking lot, entrances, open and recreational areas situated within the area and used in common by its residents; enhance the safety of Arrowhead; facilitate enforcement of any and all building restrictions, protective covenants, and to otherwise act in the interests of the members of the Association. Appearance of an advertisement in the Smoke Signals Newsletter and AIA Website does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement by the Association of the goods or services offered. The opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the individual authors and not the Board of your Association. Neither, the Board, the publisher, or the authors intend to provide any professional service or opinion through this publication.

News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 10th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. Please email news articles to **Lisa Ditmore** at aiasmokesignals@gmail.com. All letters or articles need to include your name and a daytime phone number. All articles must be approved by the editors for publication, or as space permits.

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2013 AIA Board Meeting Schedule

Jun. 15th, 2013	Sept. 14th, 2013
Jul. 20th, 2013	Oct. 19th, 2013
Aug. 17th, 2013	

AIA Board Meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month and Board Workshops are on the Friday before the Board Meeting. Owners are encouraged to attend!!

Notice

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Arrowhead in Colorado (AIA)



Security Sign-In Boxes are located at the intersection of Ute Drive & Alpine Road and Lake Road & Alpine Road. Sign-in sheets are available for our Summer residents, campers and their guests to fill out and request further assistance if needed from our Security Officers, i.e. fire pit inspections, vehicle decals or 14 day additional camper permits.

Fire Pits: Construction of new fire pits must meet the specific specifications from our Arrowhead Fire Protection District. Security personnel will provide you with these fire pit specs. All existing fire pits must be **re-certified each season** -no exceptions! Contact the security officer on duty, who will then stop by and inspect your fire pit and update your existing fire pit permit.

AIA Forest Refuse Dump Trailer: (Same old trailer, new name, we can't use the word Stump Dump anymore). The dump trailer is available to any Arrowhead property owner by reservation only. Please contact the security officer on duty for its availability. Please return the trailer next to our warm-up shed in the winter parking lot and reconnect the power cord so that the battery can be charged. The forest refuse trailer is **not** licensed for off mountain use. (If any problems with the dump trailer, please contact Security in order to get repaired).

Vehicle Stickers: Yellow numbered vehicle stickers, visitor and contractor passes, all can be obtained from security personnel.

Fishing at the Flint Lakes: The lakes will be stocked as soon as dry conditions will allow the delivery of approx. 350-12 inch fresh fish possible around the 3rd week in June. Please keep the gate closed at all times, because of the horses and if you choose to take your vehicle(s) to the lakes, please be reminded that you are taking it at your own risk. Fishing permits can be obtained from Security.

Camper Permits: If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Security Officer on duty by calling 970-209-6335 or leave a message on the **Security Message Center at 970-862-8262**. Another way to contact us is by our official e-mail address at: security@arrowhead1.org. Security is not monitoring messages left on the AIA website's Market Place.

Touring Filing Roads vs. private driveways: Security has been getting calls of people touring on their private driveways. Arrowhead residents and guests are welcome to tour our mountain retreat, but please stay only on the filing roads. We ask that you honor the owner's private driveway as such.

Dogs and Deer Safety: This late spring the doe's will be dropping their fawns and it is important that your dogs be kept on leashes while walking them. Humans should be careful as well. If a doe approaches your dog or even you, back off and turn around and find another way to walk. The doe will attack if they feel their young are being threatened.

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Summer Hikers & Bikers on Filing Roads: It's that time of the year when people love to take their daily strolls for the fresh air and scenery, but it is far from fresh air when a vehicle flies by leaving you in a cloud of road dust. We're asking everyone to be thoughtful and considerate of our residents and guests by slowing down and looking in your rear view mirror that you're not raising any dust before passing them. Better yet, slow down to a couple miles per hour before passing the hikers.

Reinie Masanetz, Security Manager
security@arrowhead1.org



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Forestry Message

Bill Conway
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DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND MITIGATION:

Pending further review and changes to the regulations the board decided at the May 18 meeting to suspend mandatory mitigation. This decision was based on the information provided by a committee that the board appointed last fall to review defensible space and mitigation.

Although mandatory defensible space and mitigation for owners who have purchased since 2008 has been suspended, that does not mean that the work should not be done. For the protection of your property and that of your neighbors you are still encouraged in the strongest terms to do this work on your property.

Arrowhead regulations permit the removal of dead standing and downed material from both private lots and adjacent community property. This is an essential first step in reducing your fire risk. Remember that community property belongs to everyone and you need to take a "light-on-the-land" approach to removing that material.

Arrowhead regulations continue to require a permit for the removal of any live trees over 2" in diameter. I have over 30 years of experience in Forest Management and I will be happy to assist you with a plan and permit for your entire lot or specific situation that has developed since you last removed trees from your lot

Questions continue to arise on how effective defensible space and mitigation will be in protecting your property from fire. You can find numerous articles on the internet that support this approach. I also depend on my own experiences on over 300 wildfires in the western US to come to the conclusion that the work done at Arrowhead is very helpful. I have been directly involved in situations where houses were both lost and saved in Oregon, Washington, California and Arizona. While it is true that a large fire burning through Arrowhead is likely to destroy some houses, it is also true that a severe event is unlikely to occur at this elevation.

Low to Moderate burning conditions and early detection of fires all contribute to the likelihood that the fire department can control wildfires before they do major property damage. Even during extreme conditions like we had last year, the fire department took what I consider to be extraordinary measures for early detection of lightning fires. Mike Wigent and Brent Mims were able to load applications on their I-pads that can provide information within one minute on the location and intensity of lightning strikes within and around Arrowhead. That information was then called to the nearest fire fighter, who would go to the location and check for a fire. Although we were lucky and only had one small fire on private land to the east of Arrowhead, this early detection plan could have made a huge difference if a fire had started nearby.

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FOREST REFUSE SITE (formally the Stump Dump):

The State of Colorado passed new laws in 2012 that have made it more difficult to get a burning permit for our Forest Refuse Pile. Because the pile already existed last fall the state waived some of their requirements and issued the AIA a burning permit. In order to get a burning permit for the 2013 pile we have agreed to implement the following changes:

- No stumps of any size are allowed
- Logs over 6" in diameter must be placed in a separate signed area
- No construction material in the Forest Refuse site

Residents are encouraged to use those logs for fire wood or any other purpose.

FOREST HEALTH

By the time you read this, installation of MCH packets should be well underway. Over 11,000 MCH packets will be put up through the efforts of over 100 lot owners and volunteers. This is truly a remarkable effort!! Continued monitoring of Douglas fir trees at Arrowhead over the last several years appears to show that the MCH packets have been very effective.

As part of the monitoring and prevention process it is important that I know where blow down and beetle infested trees are located. If you observe blow down or standing trees with pitch running down the bark either on or off your property please report the locations to me. I am particularly interested in Douglas fir and spruce, but if you are not sure of the species report it to me anyway.

Thank you to everyone for your help! It will take a total community effort to maintain a healthy forest at Arrowhead!

Bill Conway, Forest Manager

Home: 970-862-8228

Cell: 970-417-0372

Joyce Boulter

Joyce.boulter@gmail.com

Design Review Message

The roads opened April 26-29, which is one of the latest that I can remember. I sure hope that the late snow will help this summer with our water and fire potential. I predicted April 15th, sure glad I didn't have money on that. We should be seeing deer soon.

There are three houses and one garage going up this summer. Four sheds and two deck additions are also being approved. I have had several phone calls and emails from owners that are anxious to get into their lots. It's good to see construction increasing, but please remember to read the regulations before starting anything on your property. My phone is 970 862-8449 and my email is Joyce.boulter@gmail.com. Please put "design review" as the subject line. Prior approval is better than later regret. This year we will be doing driveway walk-ins and approving building sites. Bill Conway, Forest Manager, will be talking to owners and making plans about anything else related to trees.

Have a good summer and enjoy our little bit of heaven.

Joyce Boulter, Manager



ASK THE VET

by Dr. Larry Brustle, D.V.M.



“Growing old is not for wimps!” We have all heard that, but it seems like our pets handle aging better, or are we missing some of the subtle cues of chronic pain/quality of life issues associated with arthritis, dental disease, loss of hearing, sight and diminished mental acuity.

It is difficult to ask our pet to rate their pain on a scale from one to ten. I believe the pain may be more severe than what we see from the signs they exhibit. Not wanting to go on walks, reluctance to go up and down steps, difficulty jumping on the bed for cats, etc., can all be signs of arthritic pain. Anti-inflammatory and pain medications can really improve your pet's activity and quality of life under these circumstances.

Eating slowly or decrease of appetite or bad breath can indicate dental/gum disease. Most middle age and older dogs and cats have some degree of dental disease and should be checked at least annually. Bumping into things, staring at the wall, walking in circles, barking inappropriately can be due to loss of hearing or sight, but can also be due to a condition similar to Alzheimer's in people. There is a medication that can help in this situation. It is possible to put the puppy, kitten and colt or filly, back into your pet's life by picking up on subtle cues early and getting appropriate treatment to improve their quality of life.

Please feel free to e-mail me at bruestle@centurytel.net, with questions you have regarding your pet or for second opinions.

Larry Brustle, D.V.M.
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Final Spring Snow Report

**Final snowfall totals for the entire
2012-2013 snow season:
223.5 inches - Base depth: 0"**

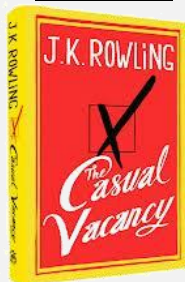
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by Linda Dysart

Board Election for 2014

Three (3) positions on the AIA Board will be up for election this fall. The three year terms of office will begin January 2014. If you would like to serve on the Arrowhead Board of Directors, please submit your name to the Board Secretary, Barrie Riddoch at briddoch@gmail.com by July 31, 2013.

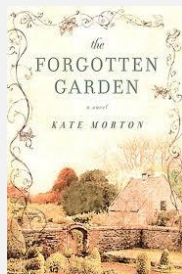
ARROWHEAD BOOK CLUB READING LIST for 2013

June 7th



The Casual Vacancy
by J. K. Rowling

July 12th



The Forgotten Garden
by Kate Morton

August 9th



Dog Gone Sailing
by Kevin & Becky Stilley

September 6th

Watch Over Me by Christa Parrish

October 11th

Flashback by Nevada Barr

The Arrowhead Book Club will meet at the Inn at 11:30AM on the following dates: June 7, July 12, August 9, September 6 and October 11. The Inn will serve lunch and a book discussion will follow.

For more information or to be put on the email list, call **Linda Dysart 862-8287**.



We have gone from winter to summer. I'm hoping the late snow and cold weather may cut down on the tick population. I am again repeating the information on ticks and mosquitoes. I think we always need to be aware of ticks and other biting insects through the summer. If you know that you have a moderate to severe reaction to bee stings and other "bugs", be sure to bring your own supply of medicine to treat this. We do not have Benadryl or epi-pens in our first responder kits.

Ticks are more active from April to June. When out in the woods, which is just out your front door, wear protective clothing. Light colors allow you to see the tick. Wear long sleeves and long pants to discourage ticks. The tick is usually in low foliage and waiting for you to walk by. It usually takes a few hours for the tick to find skin to attach and up to 24 hours to transmit infection. Use repellants containing DEET carefully, especially on children. Tick repellant for children should only be 10 % DEET. Insecticides, containing permethrin, should be used on clothing only. Conduct regular check for ticks while in the woods and complete body check when returning home. Be sure to keep check on your pets also and use flea and tick repellant as directed by your veterinarian. Colorado Tick Fever is carried by the wood tick. CTF is a viral illness causing fever, headaches, body aches, nausea, abdominal pain and lethargy. The symptoms last 4-5 days, complete recovery often takes 2-3 weeks and results in future immunity. Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Lyme disease are rare to non-existent in Colorado.

Remove the tick by grasping it as near to the skin as possible and pulling slowly straight out. Small tweezers or gloved hands will work. Do not use matches, Vaseline or other folk techniques to remove the tick.

You also need to be aware of mosquito borne viruses and protect yourself. The mosquitoes usually feed more actively at dawn and dusk. Wear long sleeves and long pants when out at these times. Insect repellants with DEET are effective. Always follow label directions. Make sure screens are in good repair and remove all sources of standing water.



West Nile Virus infection usually occurs from May to September. The incubation time is 5-15 days. Symptoms include fever, headache and malaise and last 2-7 days. If fever develops after mosquito bite, check with your physician. Treatment is generally supportive.

With all this information, I hope that you still find time to go outside and enjoy our wonderful weather. Walking at least 30 minutes three to four times a week is considered minimum activity for cardiovascular health. 30 minutes to 1 hour every day is a goal to work for. When you are out walking, wear comfortable clothing in layers so you can adjust to the weather. Well fitting and comfortable walking shoes are also essential. Finding a walking partner can make your exercise regime less boring and helps both people walk to better health.

Joyce Boulter

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Grand Junction 3226 B 1/2 Rd \$459,000



Nice Rancher in East Orchard Mesa on almost 3 Acres!! New stucco, tiled kitchen, baths, new granite top counter tops, newer appliances, some new windows thru out plus new hardwood floors. 30x30 detached shop, plus covered RV Shed with hook ups. Enjoy your spare time in the 13x13 sunroom.

Grand Junction 768 Old Orchard \$510,000



Exquisite custom home built by Thomas Homes. Stucco/stone maint. free ext. on .42 acre lot, RV parking w/hook-up. Cherry cabinets, granite counters, stainless appl., hardwood floors, gas double sided stone fireplace. Central vac, security system, wired for sound. Custom woodwork w/8' alder doors & trim. Refrig. Ac. 4 BD, 2 BA, 2777 sq. ft. 2 car garage.

Grand Junction 690 1/2 Miranda St \$262,000



Nice 3 BD, 2 BA Rancher on a large lot in Colonial Heights! Walk-in closets in every bedroom. 3 car heated garage with epoxy floor. 10x12 stucco shed & gazebo. Landscaped and fenced yard. Gas fireplace in living room.

Grand Junction 2117 Saguaro Rd \$205,000



Dream Mountain Home in Arrowhead! Immaculate Condition with views of West Elks & open meadow. Open concept w/pine ceiling & walls, split floorplan, master bath updated w/new tile & vanity. Large kitchen w/island & pantry. Detached garage w/finished loft & storage shed. Large laundry/mudroom.

Grand Junction 317 Mesa Grande \$75,000



Valley Views with private setting! Irrigation pond on northwest corner of lot. Plat & survey available. Buyer should investigate options on sewer. Irrigation pond used by Mesa Grande Homeowners.

Arrowhead 121 Lake Road \$299,000



Cozy mountain home in Arrowhead. 1/2 round log exterior w/stone accents. 2 car garage and drive thru shed. New interior paint, counter tops and some new flooring. Third bedroom is a loft bedroom. A 15x16 covered deck. An additional 1 acre lot next door also can be purchased for \$45,000.

Arrowhead 2190 Spruce 349,000



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- * Silent Auction will be 10:00am to 1:00pm
- * LUNCH is 11:30am to 1:00pm. *Serving: Picnic Fare, Brats/Burgers, Potato Salad, Cookies, Tea/Lemonade.*
- * Afternoon relays start at 1:15pm

CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS

- * Silent Auction donations will be collected by Carla Vavrik. Please call Carla to set up delivery at 862-8440.
- * Reserve a Craft Booth by calling Joannie Aufderheide at 826-8415. Booths are on a "first come first serve" basis and limited in number. Cost per Booth: \$25.00-AIA Residents \$50.00-Non Residents
- * Flea Market donations will be coordinated by Paul & Pat Grosvenor at 862-8334. Items can be brought Friday afternoon from 1:00PM to 5:00PM, or Saturday at 8:00AM. Donations must be clean and in decent condition. No large furniture or appliances to be brought to the picnic, but a picture of these items may be posted if you have these items to donate.

All proceeds will be designated to buy a dedicated Emergency Response Vehicle.



McDermott honored by DDA board

The Montrose Downtown Development Authority presented a plaque of appreciation to Carol McDermott at its March 25 board meeting in recognition of her dedicated service on the DDA board. Pictured left to right are, back row, DDA board chairman Bob Brown, vice chairman Ralph Walchle, treasurer Kirk Hartman and executive director Scott Shine; front row, DDA board member Melanie Kline, McDermott and secretary Phuong Nguyen.

PRIDE BEYOND ARROWHEAD

Arrowhead's own Carol McDermott (left) and Jan Touslee (below), both were honored and acknowledged for their civic and environmental achievements. Photos and articles provided by the Montrose Daily Press.

To:

Val Taylor & Sybrie Rhodes,
A special "Thank You" for
Volunteering your time to prepare the
mailing of the April-May Smoke Signals.

FAMILIAR FACES

This week's theme: recycling advocates

Jan Touslee

Touslee is retired after working for three area nonprofit organizations as a social worker. She enjoys spending time with friends and family, especially her four children, who call her eco-mom, and two grandchildren. She enjoys reading and being involved with the community. Touslee currently serves on the Arrowhead Fire Protection District.

Q: When did living green become important to you and why?

A: My mom was a product of the Depression. She had a little slip of paper, actually it was written on the back of a check, of course, that said, "Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without." There was one other thing that crystalized for me. Because I am a social worker by profession, social workers think in terms of systems and how one system impacts another. Everything is connected.

Q: How do you alter your



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surroundings for your own comfort and keep your ecological footprint as small as possible?

A: We have a house built in 1937. There is no central air. To control the

temperature, we raise and lower the blinds at various times of the day. We have Xeriscaped our yard to reduce water consumption. Ultimately, the deciduous trees we have planted in our yard will increase our efficiency by providing shade in the summer and allowing sun in the winter. We try to do all the little things, too, like turning off the water while we brush our teeth and turning the lights out when we leave a room.

Q: What is something you recycle that most people don't?

A: I recycle my toothbrush. There is a company called Preserve. They take the handles of tooth brushes – only the handles, of course. The also take No. 5 plastics and a few other things. I also recycle dryer lint. That can actually go into compost.

—Will Hearst

"Familiar Faces" is a recurring feature that offers a brief profile of the individuals who live in the Uncompaghe Valley in an effort to showcase what makes the area unique. Each week, the focus will shift to representatives of a specific group, such as photographers, teachers, clergy members, etc. To suggest a group or individual, email editor@montrospress.com.



A Fond Farewell & Happy Retirement to Fire Chief Brent Mims!

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