



Arrowhead Improvements Association Newsletter

December/January
2014

AIA Board Election Results

Dalby, Wendland & Co. released the official results of the election for the 2015 AIA Board of Directors to the Election Committee on November 25, 2014.

The counts were:

Dale Breckenridge:
225

Val Taylor: 340

Curt Treichel: 360

Pete Nauyokas:
1 (write-in)

The Election Committee, as well as the Board, congratulates the winners (Treichel & Taylor) and sincerely thanks all the candidates for their willingness to serve our community.

Holiday Happenings in Arrowhead

Annual Christmas Dinner

The Annual Christmas Dinner will be on **Saturday, December 13th** at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge. You and all your friends and neighbors can make it to the party even if the weather is not ideal! Dinner will again be prepared by the community and the menu is as follows:

Turkey/gravy, dressing, ham, appetizers, tossed salads, carrot salad, pea salad, fruit salad, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, cranberries, veggies (green beans, corn casserole), roles/butter (2 doz) and desserts such as pies and bundt cakes.

Please call either Sally Burrichter at 862-8424 or Joyce Boulter at 862-8449 to sign up to bring a dish.

Coffee and tea are provided by the Lodge. Happy Hour will be from 5p.m. to 6:30p.m. (Cash bar - *no alcoholic beverages can be brought in per state law.*)

We will also have our traditional "White Elephant Gift Exchange". One gift per household.

Please come join the community for this fun event. Thank you to the hosts at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge... Jess, Pat, Zach and the gang!



13th Annual Arrowhead Trail of Lights Snowmobile Ride

Sponsored by The Arrowhead Snowmobile Club and The Arrowhead Mountain Lodge, the "Trail of Lights" will be held on December 27, 2014. This has been a very successful event in the years past and they are looking forward to making it even better this year. You are invited to participate!



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The ride will include 3 different heats with times at 5pm, 6pm and 7pm. We appreciate you volunteering your time to make this community event successful. If you will be displaying lights on your cabin for the ride and/or if you plan to go on the ride, please register with the Lodge. Contact the Lodge at 970-862-8206 or email relax@ArrowheadMountainLodge.com.

See you on the ride!

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(*New Board Members will be sworn in at the January Meeting)



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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 subdivision 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 15th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. Please email news articles to 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.* *Deadlines may change to accommodate Board Meetings

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events be sure to...**



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The deadline for an advertisement is the 15th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. To place an ad please call Cappi Castro at 970-260-3410 or email: aiasmokesignals@gmail.com or [click here](#) to order.

Arrowhead1.org is the **only** official website for Arrowhead property owners (owners in Arrowhead in Gunnison Country Subdivision, also commonly referred to as Arrowhead or Arrowhead Ranch). Smoke Signals is the **only** official publication of Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc., the property owners association for Arrowhead in Gunnison Country Subdivision. And "Arrowhead in Colorado (AIA)" is the **only** official Facebook page. No other chat room, blog, forum, website, Facebook page or other electronic or written publication is supported, sanctioned, associated with or condoned by Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc., and said Association is not responsible for their content.

President's Message



Dear Owners,

Winter has arrived at Arrowhead! As I am sure you know, the roads are now closed to vehicles other than snowmobiles and approved tracked vehicles. As of this writing there is a good base and the filing roads have been groomed. It is important to groom the first significant snow to establish a good base and to set a visual boundary for future grooming. Our operator has reported that our recently acquired groomer ran and performed wonderfully.

The election results for the two positions for the AIA Board of Directors this year have been announced on in this issue of Smoke Signals, on our web site, and on our Facebook page. Val Taylor and Curt Treichel were the successful candidates and will be sworn in as directors at the January meeting. I am looking forward to having these two very qualified and experienced individuals on the board and know they will serve Arrowhead well. I would like to thank all the candidates that were on the ballot for their willingness to volunteer and serve the Arrowhead community. Also, I would also like to thank all of the owners that exercised their right to vote and to the election committee for a job well done.

2014 was a productive year for the board and your association. Rewrites of several regulations/ policies were completed. Also, the association now has all of the HOA governing principals, as stated in the Colorado Common Interest Ownership Act (CCIOA), updated and in place to be better aligned with the current version of the governing principals. As we look forward to 2015, the board will be finishing up work on some current projects and addressing new items that are in our work plan.

As we approach the holiday season, I hope you will have an opportunity to celebrate a mountain Christmas and/or New Year. Arrowhead, being an all season community for all owners, is truly a special place for family and friends to gather.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays,

Mike Wigent
AIA Board President



Notice

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Law. The Arrowhead Improvements Association and its publication "Smoke Signals," will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is a violation of the law, either Federal or State.

If you feel you have been discriminated against call the Colorado Civil Rights Division at 970-248-7329 or HUD 303-844-6158 or 1-800-669-9777.

Board Workshop and Meeting Dates

Special Board Meetings

(including Work Sessions)

Usually start at 9:00 a.m., break for lunch & continue at 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 17* (both Special and regular Meetings)

Friday, May 15

Friday, June 19

Friday, July 17

Friday, August 14

Friday, September 18

Friday, October 16

Board Meetings

Usually start at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 16

Saturday, June 20

Saturday, July 18

Saturday, August 15**

Saturday, September 19

Saturday, October 17***

*Special Meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.; regular Board Meeting starts at 2:00 p.m.

**Annual Owners Meeting & New Owners Meeting follow August 15th Board Meeting.

***Winter Owners Meeting follows October 17th Board Meeting

Meetings are usually held at the Arrowhead Firehouse but the January meeting will be held at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge for the convenience of all owners. Please watch the [Arrowhead Improvements Association's website](#) for the posted agendas to confirm dates, times and locations.



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Design Review Message



By Joyce Boulter

I am still receiving phone calls and emails asking about construction for next year. Spring at Arrowhead usually starts about Memorial Day. Typically that is when the snow has melted and the roads are dry enough to support heavy construction equipment. Please call me, or Arrowhead Patrol, to see when the roads are ready in the spring. With over 30 inches of snow already, this may be a long winter!

I have turned in a list of lots that need the address changed to indicate the road that accesses the lot. These were changed by Gunnison County. If you have any questions, ask me or call Gunnison County, Jeff Guy at 970-641-7673. Jeff sent out letters to property owners and notified the Post Office. There were some mistakes, and probably some that were left out, but it is a start at trying to get our addresses more accurate.

Next year, I will be working on our address signs. If you have a drive into your lot you must have a sign at the filing road (and one on the drive to your lot, if more than one lot is accessed by the drive.)

Glynn Abbott

131 Crest Drive

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Remodeling

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Flooring – Countertops (Laminate, Tile, Wood)

Cabin Winterization

Door and window Installed

Staining Decks and Cabins

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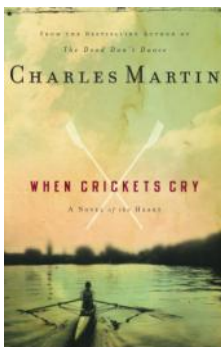
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Arrowhead Book Club

Beginning in 2015 the Arrowhead Book Club will meet on the first Friday of the selected months as listed below. (Note: *The July meeting is on the second Friday.) We will meet at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge at 11:30 for lunch and the book discussion. **Everyone is welcome!**

Please contact Linda Dysart (862-8287) for more information or to be added to the email list.

Reading List for 2015:



January 2

When Crickets Cry by Charles Martin

February 6

The Husband's Secret by Liane Moriarty

March 6

Can't Wait to Get to Heaven by Fannie Flagg

June 5

Jessica by Bryce Courtenay

*July 10

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

August 7

Out of Captivity by Marc Gonsalves

September 4

Homecoming Ranch by Julia London

October 2

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce



Arrowhead - Snowmobiling Paradise!



For more information on snowmobiling in the Arrowhead area, check out the Arrowhead Snowmobile Club [website](#) and/or their [Facebook](#) page. For tips on snowmobiling in the subdivision, check out the Arrowhead Awareness booklet. (Available from arrowhead patrol.)

Willow Park - 2014



Arrowhead Snowmobile Club



**2014-2015
MEETING SCHEDULE**

Saturday ~ November 15th
 Saturday ~ December 13th
 Saturday ~ January 17th
 Saturday ~ February 21st
 Saturday ~ March 14th
 Saturday ~ April 18th

All meetings are on a Saturday
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E-mail blasts are designed to deliver important announcements that need to be out in a hurry.

If you would like to have your email added to our list, please email arrowheadblast@gmail.com with a request to be added.

We do not share this list.

**For community information and events
check out our [Facebook](#) page!**

ARROWHEAD SNOW REPORT

WINTER SNOWFALL 2014-2015

DATE MEASURED	TIME MEASURED	TEMP.	AMOUNT	TOTAL	BASE DEPTH	CONDITIONS
Oct. 1			3"			
Oct. 12	12:00 PM	33 deg.	1/2"	3 1/2"	0	snow showers off & on all day
Nov. 2	8:00 AM	35 deg.	2 1/2"	6"		overcast
Nov. 3	8:30 AM	27 deg.	2"	8"		clearing
						corn snow; quickly melted
Nov. 12	2:00 PM	29 deg.	trace			
Nov. 13	11:00 AM	29 deg.	2 1/2"	10 1/2"	1"	lightly snowing
			above totals melted			
Nov. 14	7:30 AM	28 deg.	5"	15 1/2"	5"	lightly snowing
"	10:00 AM	33 deg.	1/2"	16"	5"	low overcast
Nov. 15	8:00 AM	28 deg.	7 1/2"	23 1/2"	14"	high overcast
"	12:30 PM	30 deg.	1/2"	24"		
Nov. 16	8:30 AM	6 deg.	8 1/2"	32 1/2"	20"	sunny
Nov. 17 Filing Roads closed						
Nov. 23	9:00 AM	20 deg.	6 1/2"	39"	16"	lightly snowing
"	2:30 AM	19 deg.	2 1/2"	41 1/2"	18"	still snowing and blowing

trace = less than 1/2"

base snow depth varies due to settling, melting, blowing, etc.

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 double bed. Upstairs loft has 2 twin beds and a cat walk leading to a small upper deck. Living room has wood stove.

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

Thank you to
 Linda Dysart
 for the snow
 report!

Comparison:

Snowfall for November 2013 = 21"
 Snowfall for November 2014 =
 Cumulative snowfall at end of Nov.
 2013 = 45"
 Cumulative snowfall at end of Nov.
 2014 =

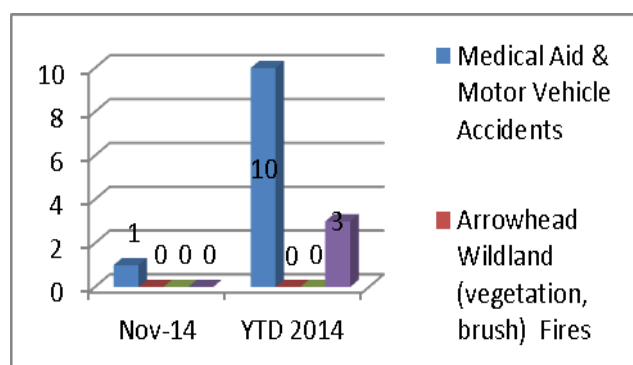


That's right, Will, as beautiful as it is up here there is "No Camping!"



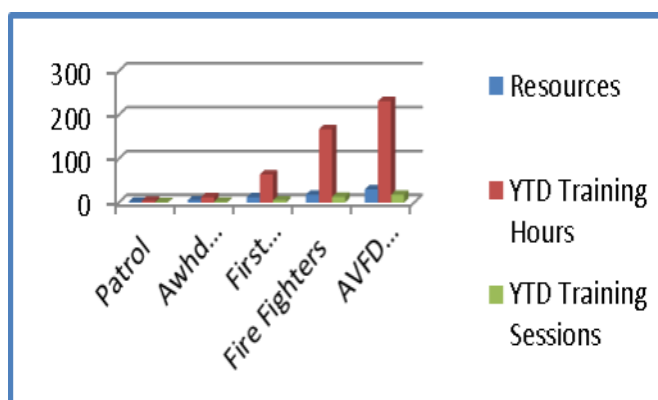
Emergency Events:

Description	Nov-14	YTD 2014
Medical Aid & Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	10
Arrowhead Wildland (vegetation, brush) Fires	0	0
Structure Fires (Commercial & Residential)	0	0
Interagency Assistance	0	3



Training:

Groups	Resources	YTD Training Hours	YTD Training Sessions
Patrol	2	4.00	1
Awhd Dispatch	5	12.00	2
First Responder	12	64.00	5
Fire Fighters	18	167.25	13
AVFD Combined	37	247.25	21



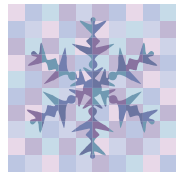
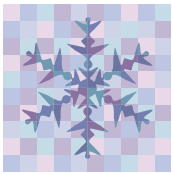
Acknowledgements & Appreciation AVFD thanks the Bryson's, Higgins and Curt/Vida for the use of their garages for the 2014/2015 winter season to stage the Fire Trucks and EMS vehicles. Additional thanks are extended to Toby Ezell, Gary Broughton, and Darrell Wagner for their many hours of work in preparing the 500-gallon trailer skis and rack framework for winter use.

First Responder & Fire Fighter Monthly Training Sessions AVFD training schedule – Second Tuesday Fire Fighters; Third Tuesday First Responders; (once a Quarter a Fourth Tuesday is set aside for collaborative training, Fire Fighters, First Responders, and Patrol).

Volunteer Staff The department encourages anyone interested to become a member of the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department, no experience is necessary. The Fire Department will provide training in variety of potential scenarios unique to the Arrowhead environment. Members find it a rewarding way to serve the community and meet dedicated, like-minded people on the mountain. Please contact me at (970) 862-8456 or email me at avfdchief2014@gmail.com, if you are interested. *(continued on next page.)*

Winter Preparations Fire Fighting and First Responder winter vehicle transitions complete. Two First Responder Snow mobiles outfitted with medical and Search & Rescue equipment successfully completed required operational readiness checks. All Fire Fighting tools and apparatus transitioned to 500-gallon trailer with required operational readiness checks successfully completed.

Season Change Additional Demands Winter at Arrowhead presents new challenges for residents and visitors with the use of Snowmobiles, and a variety of track vehicles. Snowmobiles with electric starting mechanisms should be checked out for the demands of cold morning and evening temperatures. For those with track vehicles, batteries, electric systems along with drive systems should be verified operational to ensure reliable operation. Just like our vehicles, residents and visitors need to be alert to our body's requirements to remain hydrated and moderate physical exertion as we venture into the backcountry and higher elevations.



*To Our Customers, Friends & Neighbors
Our sincerest wishes for hope, happiness and peace during
this Holiday Season and throughout the coming year.*

Happy Holidays



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FORESTRY MESSAGE

BILL CONWAY

There is a strong possibility that our bark beetle problems will increase next spring. I cannot stress enough the importance of putting up MCH packs if you have Douglas fir or spruce trees on your property or adjacent common land. If you have had any Douglas fir or spruce die or blowdown on or near your property in the last two years your trees are at even higher risk of beetle attack. In order to get as much participation in this program as possible the deadline for ordering is being extended to **January 31, 2015**.

MCH packs are \$1.35 each. Review the information on the [AIA website](#) that provides information on how many MCH packs to order. Checks should be made out to **AIA** and sent to Bill Conway, 1734 SE 52nd Ave, Portland, OR 97215.

There will be information on the AIA website in May on how to pick them up and when to put them up. If you are not able to put them up at the correct time yourself, let me know and I can make those arrangements. You can contact me at 541-729-6259 if you have any questions.

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Most of the winter residents are ready for their play season. We get excited and energetic when the snow flies. But we need to be mindful of the problems that extreme cold can bring, especially for those who come up on weekends and holidays, and may not be as familiar with Arrowhead extreme cold. Extreme cold is also more dangerous as we get older.

Plan ahead. Doesn't that sound familiar? Extreme cold is anything decidedly below normal. Temperatures near freezing could be extreme cold in Texas or Florida; In Arrowhead temperatures from about 15° and below are extreme cold.

First, plan for emergencies in your house. You should have food that doesn't require cooking or refrigeration. Crackers, bread, cereal, canned food, and dried fruits are all good choices. Parmalat is packaged milk that has a shelf life of about 6 months and is nice to keep on hand. You should also have some kind of back up heating that doesn't rely on electricity. If you take medications, it is wise to have several weeks supply on hand. Other supplies needed for the winter would be a battery-powered radio, waterproof matches, flashlights and batteries, extra blankets, and a non-electric can opener. All of our houses have smoke detectors, but you also need a carbon monoxide detector and an indoor/outdoor thermometer.

It is also important to keep a box of supplies in the car. It should contain blankets, a first aid kit, waterproof matches, a windshield scraper, booster cables, paper towels, sand or cat litter, a towrope, chains, a collapsible shovel, flashlight and batteries, canned food and opener, or dried high calorie food, water, and a bright colored cloth.

Outdoor safety is also important as most of us are outdoors in the winter, even if it is only to ride the snowmobile to the parking lot. Wind chill is very important to take into consideration. A temperature of 0° will feel like -22° with a wind of 20 mph. Wear warm clothes in layers. The outside layer should be water and wind resistant. Good gloves, boots and head covering are also essential. Shivering is your body's way to keep warm and persistent shivering is a signal to get indoors.

Always be safe on your recreational outings. Let someone know where you are going and your expected return time. You should never go out alone, but if you do, carry a cell phone, it just might work. Also carry flares and a mirror. Wear appropriate clothing and carry emergency supplies. Hypothermia and frostbite are the most common cold emergencies.

Hypothermia is the cooling of the body core temperature to below 95°. The signs include uncontrolled shivering, exhaustion, confusion, memory loss, slurred speech, and drowsiness. Call immediately for medical help and begin warming the person. There is a phone in the heated shed in the parking lot. There is also an emergency phone at the phone boxes about half way down the Alpine. Cell phones work in many areas on the mountain, and 911 should work in most areas, even if you don't have service from your carrier. The emergency number in Arrowhead is 911. Gunnison dispatch will then notify our emergency team. While waiting for help, first get the victim into a warm room or shelter and remove any wet clothing. If shelter is not available, protect the victim from cold and wind. Be extremely careful when moving a hypothermic person, sudden or jarring movement could cause more damage. Use a blanket if available. It is essential to warm the center of the body first, chest, neck, head, and groin. Use skin-to-skin contact or loose dry layers of blankets. Warm beverages will help, but do not give alcohol or caffeine. If the victim is unconscious, warm the body, but do not give fluids. Monitor the unconscious victim carefully for pulse and breathing, it will be more difficult to feel pulse, so check for at least 1 minute. CPR may be needed if there is no pulse or breathing.

Frostbite occurs on exposed areas of skin, most commonly on the nose, face, ears, fingers, and feet. It is also a medical emergency. Until medical help arrives, warm the affected area using water that is body temperature or use body heat by placing hands in the armpit. Never rub the area with snow or massage it at all, it could damage the skin. Don't use heating pads or place near a source of heat like a fireplace or stove as you could burn the numb area.

Let's have a safe winter.

Remember when it is **COLD**:

C=Cover your head and hands, mittens are warmer than gloves.

O=Overexertion, avoid activities that make you sweat. Wet clothes increase chills.

L=Layer your clothing. Wool, silk or polypropylene hold more body heat than cotton.

D= Dry; stay as dry as you can. Watch for places snow can enter such as around gloves or boots.



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*-To All at Arrowhead-
I would like to wish everyone
a Happy & Safe Holiday
Season*

*Thanks for your support
throughout the year!*

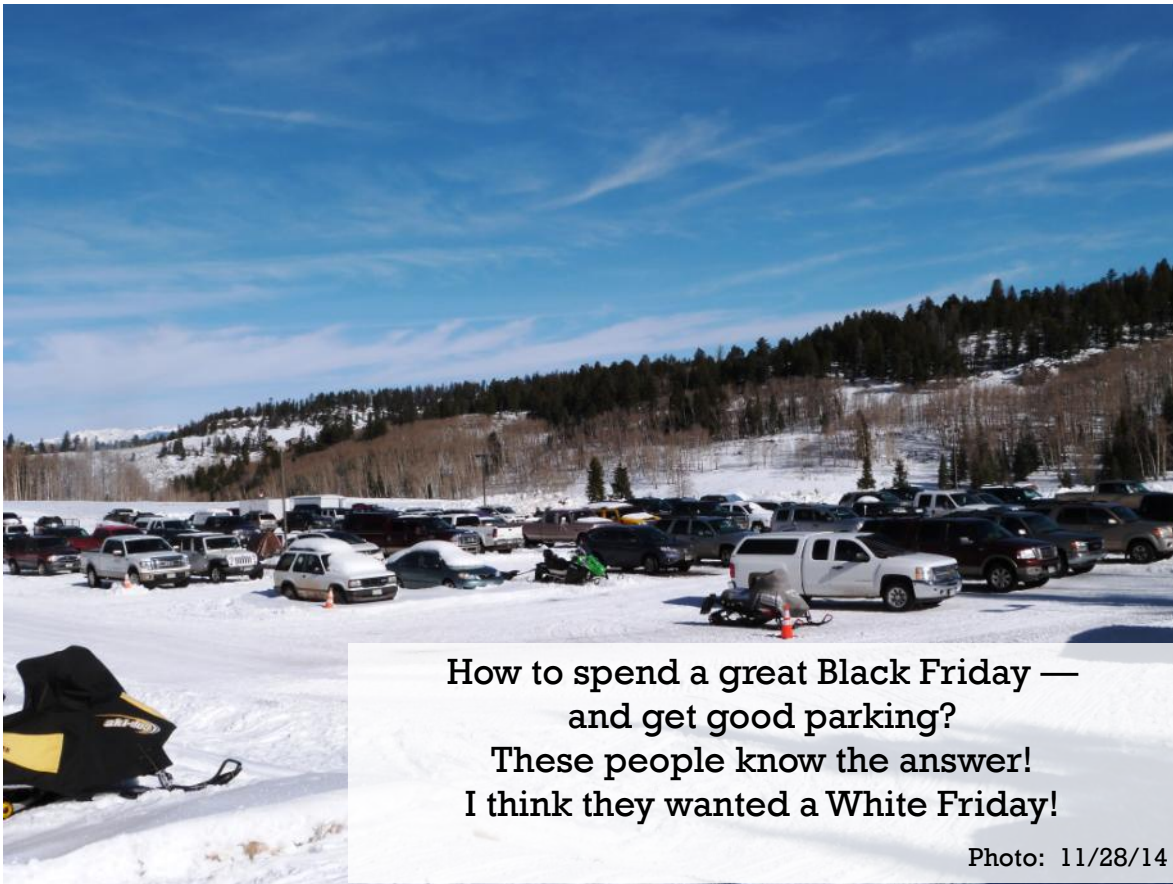
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How to spend a great Black Friday —
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