

# SMOKE SIGNALS

ARROWHEAD IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATION  
ONLINE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



## ANNUAL PARADE OF LIGHTS



Now is the time to begin thinking about how you are going to decorate your cabin for the **Community Parade of Lights**. The snow will be here before you know it.

Our **Community Parade of Lights** is the highlight of the Arrowhead holiday season; but, it's only as great as our community makes it. So, join in and let's get in the mountain spirit together and decorate for the holidays!

Don't forget to put the **Annual Community Parade of Lights** on your holiday calendar, **Saturday, December 29<sup>th</sup>** from 5:30 to 9:00pm, with a Chili Buffet at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge.

Please contact **Joanie Aufderheide** at **862-8415** to add your cabin to the parade tour list. Also, Joanie will also be coordinating how many sleds will be participating in the parade; so please **SIGN UP EARLY** to get your parade time and space reserved. Parade time and space is limited per hour.



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### Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way... **Arrowhead Holiday Party**

**Saturday, December 8, 2018**  
at the **Arrowhead Mountain Lodge**.

Cocktail hour will start at 5:00 PM with dinner at 6:00 PM. The dinner will be a traditional Holiday menu of turkey, ham and all the fixings. **Please RSVP by December 2** to sign up for the side dishes and number of people attending in your group to:

**Joyce Boulter: 970-862-8449 (or)**  
**Kathy Koeltzow: 970 862-8243**

After dinner there will be a white elephant gift exchange. If you want to participate, please bring a wrapped gift. A donation jar and basket for the Gunnison Food Bank will also be available this year.

All residents of Arrowhead are welcome.



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The deadline for news articles is the 20th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. Please email news articles to *Lisa Ditmore* at [aiasmokesignals@gmail.com](mailto: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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## Board of Directors 2019 Schedule of Meetings

Jan: \*Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> @ Arrowhead Mountain Lodge  
May: \*Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> @ Arrowhead Mountain Lodge or TBA  
Jun: \*Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> @ Arrowhead Fire House  
Jul: \*Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> @ Arrowhead Fire House  
Aug: \*Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> @ Arrowhead Fire House  
Sept: \*Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> @ Arrowhead Fire House  
Oct: \*Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> & \*\*Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> @ Arrowhead Fire House

Due to winter snow, the January 2019 meeting (and possibly the May meeting), will be held at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge. The other meetings listed will be at the Arrowhead Firehouse.

**\*Friday, Special Board Meetings** typically include an Executive Sessions beginning at 9:00 AM followed by a board work session, open to all owners, beginning at 1:00 PM.

**\*\*Saturday, Regular Board Meetings**, open to all owners, begins at 1:00 PM.

### 2019 Annual Owners Meeting will follow the Saturday, August 17th Board Meeting

Please watch for posted agendas to confirm dates,  
times and locations:

[http://arrowhead1.org/pages/board\\_agenda-min-meet.html](http://arrowhead1.org/pages/board_agenda-min-meet.html)

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# President's Message

by Kim Norwood, AIA President

It seems hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of another year. It has been a very busy year for the Board, but a productive one. Two years ago we began the process of reviewing all of our governing documents. In the process we have tried to clarify language that was ambiguous and often led to varying interpretations and disagreements, listened to owner input and recommended changes based on that input that we believe would still honor the intent to protect the natural beauty of this community while giving owners greater flexibility in building and developing their property, recommended changes to rules based on new technology that was not available when the original rules were written, i.e. size of track vehicles; building materials, etc., and had our legal counsel review all of our documents to ensure they conform to law. Each time we worked on these governing documents we held open meetings that any owner was welcome to attend. I want to thank those of you who did attend and offered your input. I originally thought we could accomplish this task in a couple of months. But it proved to be a much bigger task than I could have imagined. But now, two years later, all of the proposed revisions are ready for your review. I encourage each of you to go online and review the proposed revisions because in the coming year we will be voting on those proposed changes. As always, we still encourage you to give us your feedback.

A bit of good news...This summer we have been successful in selling 5 of the 6 lots that AIA owned due to foreclosures. Besides the money that we received from the sale of these lots, we will now be receiving HOA dues on these lots plus, we will no longer be paying the annual taxes on these properties.

I know that all of us are disappointed that our forest refuse site did not get completed in time to take advantage of it this summer. Like many of you, I also have multiple trailer loads that I was ready to get off my property. We encountered unfortunate delays caused by waiting on the county to approve permits and then when we did finally get started with the construction of the new site, we had to stop earlier than planned when early rains and snow saturated the ground and made it impossible to move dirt and bring in rock for the road. At this writing, the site needs to be expanded by approximately 20-25 feet so that trailers can easily make a turn-around. Our number one priority when the winter snow melts and the roads dry out is to finish the forest refuse site as quickly as possible.

It is also good to remember that each of us can either build up or tear down the reputation of Arrowhead as a great place to live. Let me give you an example from my time in the Army. Upon arriving at a new unit I received a less than warm reception. I soon discovered that the previous chaplain did not have a good reputation. He was moody, unfriendly, argumentative, and did not like spending time in the field with soldiers. I quickly discovered that I, and the rest of the Chaplain Corps, was being judged by his bad example. It took time and effort to repair the damage my predecessor had done. At Arrowhead, there are all kinds of craftsmen, delivery drivers, and FEDEX and UPS drivers that service our community. Our interaction with them inevitably gets passed along to others. This past week my wife was talking to a driver that was new to Arrowhead. To put it politely, in the course of the conversation she found out that our reputation could use some damage control. I know as well as anyone that we can be legitimately disappointed in services rendered. But let's remember that in the process of attempting to correct one problem, that we create another problem by failing to treat people the way we want to be treated.

Finally, this is my last article as your AIA Board President. I informed the rest of the Board a couple of months ago, that while I intend to serve out my remaining time on the Board, that I will not serve as President again. My wife and I are spending more and more time away from the mountain caring for grandchildren as our daughter-in-law battles an aggressive Stage 4 cancer making it difficult for me to focus on the duties of Board President. The position of President is quite demanding and time consuming and it is my conviction that the pressing matters that the Board will face in this coming year needs undistracted leadership. Without the support of this amazing Board and in particular, our incredible Vice President, Dick Bloss, I could not have continued as long as I did. It was my honor to serve as the President of this wonderful Board. I so appreciate the encouragement and support that so many of you have given me in these past two years that I have served as President.

Blessings to you all! Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Kim Norwood  
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# Heavy Equipment & Maintenance Report

by  
**Jim Matteson**



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Time for SNOW!!! Yes, it's that time again. You know, the white stuff that brings us so much happiness here in Arrowhead.

Our equipment is ready, with the wing blade on the grader and the snow push blades on both the loader and grader, chains on everything...You bet, we're ready!!

Just a couple of reminders; When you encounter equipment on the road don't assume you can just drive around it. Take the time to be sure the operators have acknowledged that they see you and give you some indication you can pass. This goes for wheeled equipment and for the groomer also. They all take up a lot of room on a road and are difficult to see out of as well as the operators being fully occupied with their jobs so don't assume it's safe to pass.

Some thoughts on personal equipment readiness.

By now you should have already checked all the fluids in your personal vehicle. If not, do so as soon as possible. Have the battery checked to assure it's not going to leave you stranded. Be sure your tires are in good condition with plenty of tread remaining. Be sure they are properly inflated to the pressure recommended by the manufacturer. The recommended pressure can usually be found on a sticker located in the driver door jamb or on the sidewall of the tire. If you can't find it there, consult your owner manual.

Put together an emergency kit that contains all the necessary items you may need should you become stranded on the road. Sooner suggestions are food, water, blankets, traction devices, flashlight with fresh batteries, flares or hazard markers etc.

Make sure you have a good shovel and an ice scraper!!! When you get in your car to drive away, you should have ALL the windows completely clear of ice and snow and all the snow cleared off of your vehicle. Don't be that person who just scratches off a hole barely large enough to see through who drives slowly until the defroster does what they should have. Get out of bed a few minutes earlier and clean your car completely.

Stay safe everyone!!!

**Jim Matteson**

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## Backhoe Service & Handyman

*To All at Arrowhead,*

*I would like to wish everyone a  
Happy & Safe Holiday Season!*

*Thanks for your support throughout  
the year!*

*Nick Garreffa*

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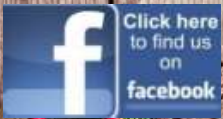
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# Design Review

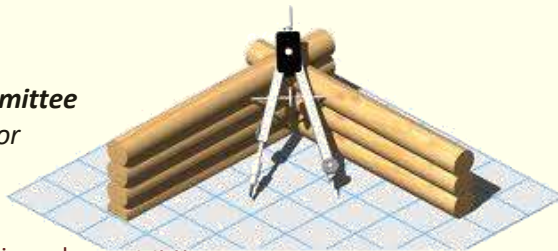
by Earl Fay, DRC Manager

We are at the end of the 2018 building season, I look back and it was extremely busy for the Design Review Committee and we are looking forward to another busy year in 2019.

As a reminder for anyone with a project this year, please ensure that all construction debris is picked up and disposed of properly. As a rule of thumb, the end of the building season was November 15<sup>th</sup> or when the filing roads are closed.

The DRC has enjoyed working with all owners this 2018 building season and looks forward to the future and is excited to serve our community property owners!

**Earl Fay, Manager**  
**AIA Design Review Committee**  
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For more information, please visit the

**Design Review webpage:**

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## 2019 DRC Meeting Dates

*March 11 <sup>th</sup>	July 8 <sup>th</sup>
*April 8 <sup>th</sup>	August 12 <sup>th</sup>
*May 13 <sup>th</sup>	September 9 <sup>th</sup>
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	October 14 <sup>th</sup>

(\*) 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.

*The committee meets at the Firehouse from 9:00am to approximately Noon.*

*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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# Message from Patrol

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## The Winter Parking Lot

It was a busy summer with lots of new folks arriving and many Arrowhead veterans departing. To those who have left the mountain, the best of luck in all your future endeavors. To the new comers, welcome.

If you are among the fortunate few to be experiencing an Arrowhead winter for the first time, this is a primer on the use of the winter parking lot which is open to all property owners and their guests.

1. In the primary parking area, orange cones designate each row for **cars and trucks**. The **front bumper of the car or truck is to be in line with and not beyond the line delineated by the orange cones**. Most folks choose to point their vehicles south in order to take advantage of the winter sun. (Snowmobiles and tracked vehicles can park in this area for no more than 3 consecutive nights.).
2. **Vehicles with trailers** can park (for a limited time) in the row immediately south of diesel parking.
3. **Diesel parking** is for those needing electrical hook-ups. These are paid sites with weekend and weekly sites on the west end (these sites are lettered) and the remaining sites (numbered) are rented by the season.
4. The north-west corner is reserved for **flatbed trailers** and might be used for box trailer overflow. There is a \$50 fee for parking a trailer in this area.
5. **Snowmobiles** can be parked up on the bank for no charge. Many owners will mark, with poles, where their snowmobiles are parked. This is important since, after a two-foot snowfall, one hump looks pretty much like another. Take it from first-hand experience, wading and digging through deep snow only to find that you've uncovered someone else machine is discouraging.
6. **Tracked vehicles** (Geezer-mobiles) get the north-west corner of the hillside just in front of the aspens. There is no fee associated.
7. **Box trailers** (toy-haulers) are to west of the snowmobiles and remain there for the season. This area also has a \$50 fee.

Patrol can be contacted for further clarification, site assignment, or to pay a fee.

Periodically, the parking lot must be plowed so all vehicles are removed from the main area. It is recommended that a key to your vehicle be left with a neighbor or Patrol, should your car or truck need moving while you're not on the mountain.

During the holidays, the parking lot gets very crowded. Patrol asks that **snowmobiles and Geezer-mobiles not be parked in the main area in order to accommodate all owners and their guests**.

**AIA vehicle registration** - In the winter, Patrol becomes very diligent about checking for the yellow stickers. In order to use the winter parking area, ALL vehicles must display an AIA sticker or guest pass which can be obtained from Patrol. The stickers need to be clearly displayed preferably in the bottom left or right corner of the windshield of cars and trucks, near the hitches of trailers, and on the front cowl of snowmobiles and UTVs. Guest passes should be displayed on the dash and not covered by a sunscreen.

If you purchased a snowmobile, UTV, or other vehicle from an Arrowhead resident, be sure to get the registration changed to you.

Above all, be courteous. Don't take more parking space than you need. When a blast e-mail comes out announcing that the parking lot is to be plowed, be sure to move your vehicle promptly. If you are digging out a trailer or snowmobile, don't pile your snow on someone else's machine or behind another's box trailer. **Obey the speed limit (20 mph) and stay on groomed trails or roads.**

Have questions? Give us a call.

Enjoy your Arrowhead winter and let's hope it comes early this year.

David Reddish  
AIA Lead Patrol  
(970) 209-6335







*We would like to thank everyone who has proudly supported Tamarack at Arrowhead and wish each of you a very...*

***Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!***

*Walter Carnett  
Carol Bond  
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## Foreclosed Lots

The Association has a duty to collect unpaid dues. When all efforts have been exhausted, foreclosure is sometimes an option.

The following **REDUCED TO CLEAR** foreclosed lot is currently listed with our local Realtors, Arrowhead Ranch Real Estate and Tamarack at Arrowhead, Inc. These Realtors can be contacted for information on this lot.

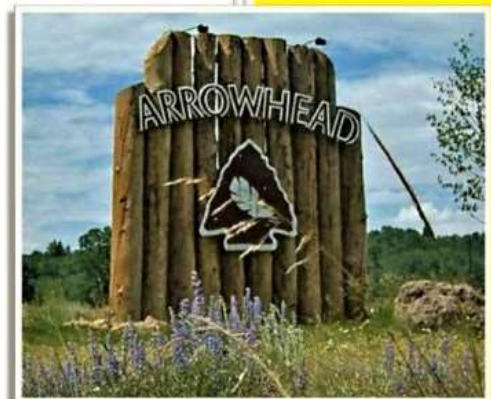
We encourage owners to consider looking at these lots and letting their family and friends know of the availability of this well-priced property:

**764 Crest Dr.**

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August 2018

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## Happy Holidays!

'Tis the season for freezing your tush off...and often it is worse than a mild case of the shivers. We get calls each winter for folks who are experiencing frost bite and/or hypothermia. These issues are nearly 100% preventable if you take care to address the cold with a warm house, warm clothing and understand the dangers of cold temperatures and wind chill as you go thru the neighborhood on your snow machine, cross country skiing, hiking, snow shoeing or out gathering wood or shoveling snow.

Here are some facts about hypothermia and frost bite:

1. **Hypothermia** has symptoms you should know: Shivering early is your body attempting to raise your body temperature but as the problem progresses it can affect your speech, you become confused, sleepy, and your heart rate may increase and you may also feel sick dizzy and even hungry. These symptoms may progress slowly so someone with hypothermia usually is not aware of the problem and often denies having a problem.
2. **Hypothermia can be a problem indoors:** Yes, you do risk getting it if you fall face first in a snow bank or falling in the fish pond thru the ice but it is usually not so dramatic. Usually it occurs indoors! Mayo Clinic explains "An older person may develop hypothermia if exposed to indoor temperatures that are usually fine for a younger or healthier adult.
3. **It only takes a few degrees of a drop-in body temperature.** The difference between being fine and having a problem is only a few degrees and the condition can set in if your temperature drops from 98.6 to 95. So, if the outside temperature is below 50 degrees F, (air or water) don't be showing how tough you are by traipsing around in t-shirts and shorts as my grandson does. Dress warmly.
4. **Dehydration and hypothermia** ...a deadly combination. This is because water holds its warmth more than almost any other substance so having adequate fluid in your body helps maintain your core temperature and your blood volume is able to circulate enough fluid to your muscles and internal organs to keep you functioning.
5. **If you even suspect someone is suffering from hypothermia call 911!** Time is of the essence because severe hypothermia can kill quickly! If outdoors moving to a warm location is warranted, but do not move quickly or roughly as jarring them can cause irregular heartbeat. If they must remain outdoors remove wet clothing and wrap in dry warm blankets or even your own dry clothing as a last resort until rescue can happen. Do NOT warm their hands and feet as this drives the cold blood to the heart and may lead to heart failure. Warm the body core first. Warm fluids are ok, no caffeine.
6. **Alcohol is not a preventative for hypothermia.** You may feel warm and fuzzy from a few drinks, but alcohol lowers your body temperature, dilates your blood vessels under your skin so more blood is brought to the surface so you may feel warmer. Add impairment from alcohol with regard to judgment and winter becomes a lot more dangerous.
7. **Windchill is extremely dangerous.** Consider not only the wind and air temperature but when on a snowmobile understand that the speed of the machine and the wind speed must be considered. For example, if the air temperature is 5 degrees and the wind is blowing at 10 mph add the speed you are traveling with the snowmobile to the wind temp... say 30 mph, this makes the windchill a balmy -22 degrees and frost bite can occur in 30 minutes!
8. **Frost bite:** You have frostbite when your body tissue freezes. Of course, the most susceptible parts of your body are the exposed ones...fingers, nose, ears and toes. Symptoms are loss of feeling in the extremity and a white or pale appearance. This calls for immediate attention and the extremity should be SLOWLY re-warmed but only if it can be kept warm until medical personnel have arrived. Do not use direct heat from heating pads etc.

Take care this winter, be safe, have fun and we will be waving at you as we see you in the neighborhood.

**Your AVFD First Responder Team**

**ATTENTION**

**If you haven't already done so, don't forget to sign up for the AFD BLAST email system!**

In order to sign up to receive the BLAST email messages from the Arrowhead Fire Protection District, simply send an email to Jim Gelsomini at [avfdchief@gmail.com](mailto:avfdchief@gmail.com) and tell him to add your email address to the Arrowhead Fire Protection BLAST email list. If you would like to receive these notices at more than one email address, include the additional email addresses in your message.





Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

From My family to yours:

Jennifer Thomas

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# Forestry Message

by Bill Conway, Forest Manager



With all the new owners at Arrowhead and the start of a New Year this is a good time to review the services that are available to residents from the Forest Manager. There is no charge for the information that the Forest Manager provides and the objective is to help owners make good decisions about their trees.

Forest Manager, Bill Conway, worked in Timber Management and Wildland Fire for the US Forest Service in Oregon from 1969 to 2001. He has worked with Forest Management at Arrowhead since 2005.

**Basic Tree Review** – Bill will meet with you on your lot and show you the different tree species, ages of trees, which trees do best in shade and which prefer more sun. From there it becomes a more detailed look for individual trees that are hazards to structures or parking areas based on visual indicators or the results of drilling trees to look for rot. There will also be a detailed review of any insect or disease problems or potential problems depending on the type of trees that you have. Recommendations will range from tree removal, to prevention methods, to ignoring the problem and it will be gone by the following year.

**Tree Removal** – In most cases, Bill does not cut or remove trees from private lots. However, he can provide a list of local contractors that can do the work and in some cases will recommend specific contractors who have the equipment suitable for special situations.

**Insect Prevention** – There are a range of insects that attack trees at Arrowhead. Some kill the trees, some damage the trees, and some have only some visual effect that is short term. The primary concern is **bark beetles** that can kill trees in a very short time. As a community, Arrowhead puts up about 15,000 MCH packs per year to repel bark beetles from Douglas fir and spruce trees. Individual owners order the MCH packs from Bill in the winter; they are distributed in May and should be put up in early June. Spruce bud worms eat the new growth and sometimes the older needles. Control methods range from ACE caps installed in the trunk of the tree, spraying with insecticide, and Bill will also be experimenting this year with a new trapping method.

**Fire Mitigation and Defensible Space** – As I write this article, the Camp Fire has destroyed the town of Paradise, CA. This fire occurred in a Ponderosa Pine ecosystem where fire occurs more often and behaves differently from the high elevation mixed conifer and aspen ecosystem of Arrowhead. Arrowhead is also very unlikely to experience the hot dry strong winds that pushed the fire through Paradise.

Although the risk is lower at Arrowhead, there is still reason to pay attention to our situation. Because at Arrowhead the time between fires on any given acre can be in the range of 200 to 400 years, we have a buildup of dense small trees that can carry fire into the crowns of the larger trees. When that situation is combined with wind the ground fire turns into a crown fire that cannot be controlled by the fire department. Doing mitigation and defensible space work can significantly reduce the risk of crown fire. Although there are basic guidelines available on the **Forest Management web page** located on our **Arrowhead web site**, every property is different. Bill works with owners to prepare a complete plan for the property and can then either mark a sample area to start from or the entire lot. Owners can do the work themselves over several years with follow-ups from Bill or a contract can be prepared to have a contractor do the work in one season. If the contractor option is chosen, Bill can assist owners with the possibility of obtaining a grant from the Western Region Wildfire Council to pay part of the cost.

**Insurance** – The ability to obtain insurance and at a reasonable price is frequently dependent on doing the Mitigation and Defensible space work described above. Once that work is completed Bill can provide several pieces of documentation that can be helpful to owners when they contact insurance companies.

**The Big Willow Timber Sale** on the Alpine Plateau has been purchased by Montrose Forest Products. The sale is a joint project under the Good Neighbor Program between the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, Gunnison National Forest and the Colorado State Forest Service in Gunnison. The sale will harvest trees killed by spruce beetles on 2,155 acres. Road improvement work was done on roads within the sale area in the summer of 2018. Work on the Alpine road also started in 2018 with the installation of culverts. Additional work will be done to the Alpine Road in the summer of 2019 and will include the placement of 35,000 tons of gravel from a new rock pit being developed on Forest Service land. This road work will also include the widening of road side clearing in several areas above Arrowhead to make room for a groomed snowmobile trail next to the road to reduce conflicts between log trucks and snowmobiles. Logging is not expected to begin until the fall of 2019 and would continue through the winter. Detailed updates on all these activities will be provided before they begin with the objective of providing safe conditions for residents traveling the Alpine Road and snowmobiling up country.

**Clean Up Days** – Once a month in the summer volunteers meet at the fire house on a Saturday morning and then disperse from there to remove forest debris in the community. These volunteers play an important role in keeping forest debris cleaned up along roads, removing beetle infested trees, and reducing fire hazards on community property. There may be some delay in starting clean up days in 2019 until the **Forest Refuse Site** opens. On the next page, please see the 2019 Clean Up Day schedule.

If you have questions on these or other forestry and fire questions or to schedule an onsite visit, contact Bill at 541-729-6259 or at [arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com).





Photo Contributions by Mary Cokes & AIA Facebook



## The Forest Refuse Site is **CLOSED** until further notice!

A new location is in the development phase on Arrowhead's own property. While this process has taken more time than we anticipated, all residents and contractors are encouraged to stock pile their forest refuse on their own lots until the new site is completed.

Everyone's patience is appreciated during this transition and relocation period.

**Please do NOT attempt to burn your forest refuse in your fire pits nor to haul it up country for disposal.** This is strictly prohibited by the Forest Service (USFS) and is punishable by law.

Thank you!  
AIA Board of Directors

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# 2019 BOOK CLUB READING LIST

## Date: Book & Author:

Jan.	No meeting – holidays
Feb. 1	<i>I Am Still Alive</i> by Kate Alice Marshall
Mar. 1	<i>Orphan Train</i> by Christina Baker Kline
April	No meeting - mud season
May	No meeting - mud season
Jun. 7	<i>A Reliable Wife</i> by Robert Goolrick
July 12*	<i>Before We Were Yours</i> by Lisa Wingate
Aug. 2	<i>The Keeper's Son</i> by Homer Hickam
Sept. 6	<i>Lavender and Old Lace</i> by Myrtle Reed
Oct. 4	<i>Love and Other Consolation Prizes</i> by Jamie Ford
Nov. 1	<i>Murder on Girls Night Out</i> by Anne George
Dec.	No meeting – holidays


\*July postponed a week due to 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.



We usually meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, at the Lodge at 11:30am.

For more information or to be put on the email list, please email Nancy Gauthier at: [nancypgauthier@msn.com](mailto:nancypgauthier@msn.com)





## 2018-2019 Snowfall Season

(measurements taken on deck at 100 Balsam Road)

ARROWHEAD SNOW REPORT		WINTER SNOWFALL 2018-2019				
(measurements taken on deck at 100 Balsam Road)						
DATE MEASURED	TIME MEASURED	TEMP.	AMOUNT	TOTAL for season	BASE DEPTH (on ground)	CONDITIONS
			"trace" is less than 1/2"		Base depth varies due to settling, melting, blowing, etc.	
Oct. 10	8:00 AM	33 deg.	2"			First snowfall of season!
Oct. 14	11:00 AM	32 deg.	1"			light snow off and on
Oct. 18	8:00 PM	32 deg.	1/2"			clearing
Oct. 30	5:00 PM	34 deg.	2"			lightly snowing
Oct. 31	8:00 AM	27 deg.	3 1/2"	9"		very lightly snowing
Comparison:						
Snowfall for October 2017 = 6"						
Snowfall for October 2018 = 9"						
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2017 = 6"						
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2018 = 9"						
Nov. 3	8:00 AM	27 deg.	4"	13"		mostly clear
Nov. 5	7:30 AM	32 deg.	1 1/2"	14 1/2"		partly cloudy
Nov. 12	7:00 AM	9 deg.	3 1/2"	18"		overcast
Nov. 23	7:00 AM	8 deg.	1 1/2"	19 1/2"		partly cloudy
Nov. 25	7:00 AM	6 deg.	6 1/2"	26"	8"	clear

Visit our AIA website, [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org) and check out our new Arrowhead Weather section. There, you will get the most up-to-date Area Forecast, Cams & Conditions AND Snow



# 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](mailto:ssullens52@yahoo.com) or call 410-971-2522.




## Know What It Takes to Snowmobile Safely...

Are you new to Arrowhead and looking forward to experiencing your first winter here on our mountain wonderland? Do you know all it takes to be prepared before venturing out on a snowmobile, whether it's on our filing roads or upcountry? There is much to know and be prepared for when riding safely on a snowmobile!!

On Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Lodge, the Arrowhead Snowmobile Club (ASC), will be providing a Special Class on Snowmobiling Awareness. Here is just a snippet of what you should know and be prepared for when riding a snowmobile:

**Where you will ride:** Before you start riding, decide the routes and trails you will be riding. Create a plan using detailed maps for the planned riding area.

**How long you will ride:** When choosing a trail with the maps, always consider how long you want to ride. Determine the time period by the maps and, if possible, an experienced rider's judgment. Take into account passengers or other riders, gasoline/supplies, and added time for stopping and enjoying sights along the trail.

**Who you will ride with:** When riding snowmobiles, always ride in a group or use the buddy system, preferably a buddy who will stay with you throughout your journey and not leave you behind. If you are new, ride with someone who is experienced, patient, and willing to help you learn the proper way to snowmobile. If you are riding in a group, choose a group of riders with equal or better riding experience, or a group of riders who will be considerate of your abilities.

**Notify someone of your plans:** Before you begin your trip, make sure someone reliable knows where you plan to go, whom you are going with, when you are leaving, and when you will return. If the trip involves an overnight stay, include information on where you will be staying and contact numbers. This is most important since time becomes critical in the event of an accident or an emergency.

To learn more about the upcoming ASC Snowmobiling Awareness Class, visit the [Arrowhead Snowmobile Club](http://www.arrowhead1.org) website or check out the [ASC's Facebook](#) page.



Photo by Earl & Kay Fay



# Come Ride with Us!

Arrowhead Snowmobile Club

2018-2019 Season



## SATURDAY CLUB RIDES

Starting in January, all rides will be on the 2nd Saturday of the month:

January 12<sup>th</sup>, February 9<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup>

Rides start at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge @10:30 AM.

Breakfast at the AML is a great way to start your day!

The ASC will be having it's first meeting of the season on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

Monthly meetings are held after the ride at 4:30 PM, also at the Lodge.

Join in the planning while you enjoy your favorite beverage!

## FRIDAY MOONLIGHT RIDES

Weather permitting, January 18<sup>th</sup>, February 15<sup>th</sup> and March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Meet at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge @ 7:30PM

or have a fantastic dinner before at the Lodge!

Check for more information on all Snowmobiling Activities

<https://www.facebook.com/ArrowheadSnowmobileClub>

or our webpage at: [www.arrowheadsnowmobile.org](http://www.arrowheadsnowmobile.org)



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**Jessica Amie**  
ASC Secretary



# Special Holiday Hours

CLOSED FOR PRIVATE  
HOLIDAY PARTY @4PM ON:  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH  
DECEMBER 15TH  
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DECEMBER 12TH

New Years Day  
12pm to 7pm

New Years Eve  
12pm to 4pm  
&  
7pm to Midnight

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(RESERVATION  
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Christmas Day  
12pm to 7pm

## WINTER HOURS RESTAURANT & BAR

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