



# Smoke Signals



Arrowhead Improvements Association  
Website [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

December, 2010

## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER Paul McDermott**

Thanksgiving has come and gone---Christmas is just around the corner---the roads at Arrowhead are closed---winter recreation is getting underway---2010 is almost over.

Looking back over the past year, the spirit of Arrowhead has been another wonderful experience. There were three community clean-up days with volunteers too numerous to list, giving part of their day to work with others cleaning up downed forest debris along some of the subdivision roads and improving the nature trail around Hazel Lake. In addition, the Fire Department held another very successful Independence Day picnic. Residents and visitors had the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful wild flowers of spring and watch the newborn wildlife grow throughout the summer.

It has been a pleasure working with the AIA Board this year, and a number of goals have been accomplished. We are sorry to see Kathy Leary and Randy Touslee leave at the end of their terms. Their contribution to AIA has been a real asset which will be missed. Next year Carol Flick and Rich Ostrom will be joining Diane Benson, Bing Carlson, Don Koeltzow, Bob Hernandez and myself to face the challenges of 2011.

None of the accomplishments of AIA could have been done without the combined efforts of our managers and staff:

Cheri Ratliff, Communications Manager, has done another outstanding job of getting the Smoke Signals out to our members, as well as keeping the website fresh and current.

Joyce Bolter, Design Review Manager, has worked with her committee to assure new construction and remodels comply with the AIA Covenants and Regulations.

Don Koeltzow, Maintenance and Facilities Manager, who has, in addition to his duties on the AIA Board, worked with Will Hobson, to coordinate heavy equipment operations and maintenance of the subdivision. Bob Rosenbaum, Forest Manager, has worked with the mitigation contractor to finish the high-hazard mitigation of the subdivision perimeter, and worked with the Colorado State Forest Service to get grant monies when the federal grants were not available.

Dave Tobler, Office Manager, who has kept the office, record keeping, and financial aspects of AIA running smoothly.

Reinie Masanetz, Security Manager, who worked along with our Security Officers, Joan Aufderheide, Jim Gelsomini, Bill Hokanson, Eric Johnson and Leonard Wasilewski, to make sure Arrowhead remains the quiet recreation subdivision we have all come to appreciate.

Please enjoy the winter season, have a happy holiday season, and be safe.



# Fire Department News

## Fire Chief's Letter Brent Mims

With winter here and the holiday season already begun, the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. The AVFD would like to extend an invitation to everyone to attend the Christmas Party, which will be held December 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. at the Fire House.

Arrowhead's firefighters and first responders have been training regularly this fall and early winter. The firefighters have studied the topics of structural fire size up and structural fire fighting strategies. The first responders have studied the recognition and treatment of mild to severe hypothermia, frostbite, patient packaging in a cold environment, and patient transport using snowmobiles. The Arrowhead Fire Protection District recently purchased a "Cascade Toboggan" that is designed to transport a patient behind a snowmobile in ungroomed snow conditions.

Although we are gaining many useful skills, we would all prefer to limit their use to training. Taking this into consideration, we would like to remind everyone that when we begin to use snowmobiles as our primary means of transportation in the neighborhood, there are some general safety tips that we should keep in mind. Please take the following into consideration:

A snowmobile is only as safe as the driver. The key to safe operation is knowing the machine, good judgment and courtesy. Your snowmobile's safety features should be kept in good working order. Make sure that the throttle, brake, steering and light systems all function properly. Never operate your machine unless the hood and the guards are in place and firmly attached. If your machine is equipped with an emergency switch, check its operation. Additionally you should:

- Wear a helmet. *Always.* Even if you are just making a quick 2 minute trip to get supplies from your vehicle.

- Emergency 'OFF' button. The most important feature on the snowmobile is the emergency OFF button located next to the throttle. Make sure the rider knows where it is. Hitting the emergency OFF button instantly shuts off the engine.

- No alcohol. You need to be at your peak of attention and alertness. With both the thrill of the run, and the sled exercising ('sledder-cise') you will sweat, and you will become dehydrated. Take water, or other non-alcoholic beverages along with you for drinking on the trails. Save the alcohol for when you stop for the day (no more driving of any kind) and just want to sit around and talk about the day's ride.

- Check your rear view mirrors. Like driving an automobile, look ahead and check behind every 15-45 seconds. Watch for more aggressive riders that speed up behind you. Let them pass – pull over, slow down, stop – let them pass.

- Don't override your lights, or your comfort level. Ride your sled to your level of comfort and ability.

- Use the buddy system. Especially during adverse weather, when adverse weather is forecast, or when traveling into the back-country.

- Never kick your foot toward the ground. Keep your feet and legs safe. Never use your feet or legs to counter a tipping sled. Putting your foot down to the ground, or your leg out to stop a tip, is a good way to twist your ankle, or have your leg yanked back or grabbed by snowmobile track. Painful!

- Never place anything between you and the throttle. Not a person or a thing (sleeping bag, bag of groceries). Nothing. Persons or things between you and the throttle can make situations happen where the throttle gets jammed down hard and the snowmobile quickly accelerates (uncontrolled) forward.

- Sit down when reversing your machine. Don't stand up. Remember the laws of physics and inertia – if you stand, the reverse motion will cause your unstable standing body to lurch forward, likely jamming your body against the throttle.

- Always play safe with children aboard. Go slowly with young passengers. Exert extra care. Avoid side hills and broken terrain. See that the child firmly grips the handles and protectively sits with both feet on the running boards.

- Check frequently to make sure the child is riding correctly. Always position small children so they can be watched.

- When carrying children or any other passengers, smooth starts and stops are required. A fast start could result in a whiplash injury to the passenger seated behind you. Your passenger can only rely on your careful and safe machine operation. Use moderate speeds. Too much speed over a bump could result in a serious injury to a passenger.

- Warn your passenger of dangerous branches or low hanging limbs that must be avoided. Be certain passengers are warmly dressed.

Enjoy the snow!!



## Arrowhead Fire Protection District by Ron Benson

The past year has been a challenge for the District. We have hired a part time paid Chief, secured Workman's Comp insurance for firefighters and medical responders, and begun the task of documenting our training and procedures under which we operate.

On July 1, Brent Mims was hired as a part time paid Fire Chief. This is a departure from our previous custom of electing a volunteer Chief from the community. However, the Board felt that Arrowhead needed a more experienced and credentialed person to bring the department to the next level. Brent brings an impressive resume based on his career at the National Park Service and Ski Patrol. Just some of his credentials are: EMT, Wildland Firefighter 2, Incident Commander, helicopter crewmember, Search and Rescue Coordinator, and High Angle Rescue Instructor. His experience has already paid dividends on a steep slope rescue in September.

Under the Colorado Revised Statutes, firefighters and medical responders are required to have Workman's Comp insurance coverage, **even if they are volunteers**. It's mandatory. Coverage has been acquired at cost of \$4558 annually. We are also re-evaluating our liability, equipment, and vehicle coverage to make sure we are properly insured.

The Arrowhead Fire Protection District is one of over 3300 Special Districts in Colorado and as such is required to operate and maintain certain personnel, safety, environmental, legal, and accounting standards. This will necessitate that we establish additional protocols and documentation to assure efficient emergency response and protect our responders from accidents. This will be an ongoing effort so if you have career skills or an interest in this area, please contact myself or Chief Mims to assist us in this effort.

Our 2011 budget has received Board approval and will be sent to the various Colorado authorities for compliance. A copy of the budget is posted in the firehouse for public inspection. In January we will post the meeting schedule for 2011 and all residents are invited to attend the public meetings. The three posting locations are: 1) the firehouse foyer, 2) the warming hut at the winter parking lot, and 3) the Arrowhead Inn entry hall. We welcome your involvement in the FPD.

Ron Benson  
862-8365



The 2010 Stump Dump Burn was held on December 1st. The AVFD used fusee-flares and a gasoline/diesel mix to start the fire. This years fire started out slow but did the job. Thank you property owners for cleaning and mitigating your lots!

Alison Mims and Joyce Boulter watching the excitement.



*Photos by Cheri*

This little ermine kept popping his head up out of the snow until he scurried under the fence away from the fire.



Bob Rosenbaum, Ron Benson, Brent Mims, Star Misner, Eric Johnson and Bill Boulter on duty.





# Community News

## Security Manager by Reinie Masanetz

Another busy holiday season is upon us and we ask that you keep safety in mind also. The filing roads were closed to auto traffic just before the Thanksgiving holiday. The Alpine Road has been well marked thanks to Eric Johnson and the snowmobile club. At this time, we are unable to mark other trails due to the lack of snow as it requires a certain depth to hold up a trail marker pole. Please stay on trails and do not create “ghost trails” as they can confuse people. While snowmobiling, it would be a good idea to carry emergency gear with you, i.e. flashlight, shovel, ropes etc.

Please be courteous while parking your vehicles in the winter parking lot. If you have a truck with a trailer, you need to park in the designated row marked “Trucks with Trailers only”. The same holds true, that vehicles without trailers should not be parked in that row.

There are four (4) temporary diesel spaces available in the winter parking lot marked “A,B,C & D” on the west power pole. To access a space, please contact the Security Officer on duty to unlock the power receptacle. The cost is \$20 per weekend (Fri. – Sun.) or \$50 for seven (7) days. Please advise your guests, visitors, renters and service personnel to follow our AIA regulations and winter parking rules. For this purpose, we have again published the “Winter Parking” rules.

Your Arrowhead security team would like to wish you all a “Happy Holiday” season and if we can assist you in any way, please contact us at 970-862-8362 and leave us a message or call our cell phone 970-209-6335.



## Design Review Joyce Boulter

Design Review is generally quiet over the winter months. Applications usually pick up in February. I am putting the 2011 meeting dates below and on the Design Review web page. Please get plans to me a week ahead of the meeting, so we can review and ask for more information if needed. To submit plans you need the following:

1. Plot plan showing location of structure in relationship to the lot, and other structures on the lot and the driveway and filing road.
2. One complete set of architectural plans with specifications for size and height, and a sketch of the exterior.
3. A complete description of all exterior materials and color charts for roof, outside walls and doors. Walls may be log, wood or a cement board that appears as natural wood. Roof must be metal. Colors should harmonize with the environment and be approved by the committee.
4. Contractors name, address, and phone should be included and a signed copy of the contractors agreement. ( available on Design Review web site.)

For a more detailed list, see Article I, section c. in the Regulations.

Meeting dates: \*Jan 10, \*February 14, March 14, April 11, May 16, June 13, July 11, August 12, Oct 10. There will not be meetings in November and December.

\*January and February meetings may be cancelled if there are no plans.



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## Winter Parking

- 1. You must have a yellow numbered sticker on your motor vehicles, trailers, snowmobiles, ATV's and UTV's in order to use the winter parking lot.** There is a sign in the parking lot, "Vehicles without an AIA numbered sticker will be towed at the owner's expense". Security personnel will patrol the lot for rule infractions and take appropriate action. Do not leave a vehicle in the main parking lot for an extended period of time that cannot be moved if the lot needs plowed. Leave a spare key(s) with Security for vehicles remaining in parking lot for any extended period. Each owner is allowed two (2) non-paid spaces in the parking lot.
2. Paid spaces will be provided for open/enclosed trailers. Enclosed trailers will park in the designated far West side. Snow removal will not be provided to this area thus these trailers will not be required to move when the lot is plowed. Open trailers will park on the North/West corner of the main parking lot. Spaces are available for a fee of \$50.00 per space and see Security personnel to secure a long-term trailer space.
3. Snowmobiles will be parked on the elevated West side area of the parking lot. Short-term parking of snowmobiles and UTV's will be allowed for a maximum of three (3) nights in the main area of the parking lot. Chaining multiple snowmobiles together in the vehicle parking area is not allowed.
4. Guests parking will be provided on a limited basis. Two (2) guest passes will be provided to each lot owner and are available from Security personnel. Guest passes are to be placed on the dash board of the guest vehicles. Property owners are responsible for their guests. Please inform your guests that a telephone is available in the warming hut for local calls only.
5. Weekend vehicles with trailers are to park in the designated area, which is the first row South of the diesel parking. The vehicle and trailer both must have an AIA numbered sticker or guest pass. No parking will be allowed on the East side of the parking lot. The snowplow must have clear access through this area to dispose of snow during routine grooming and to provide emergency access to egress.
6. Vehicles, snowmobiles and trailers may be parked in the parking lot no earlier than the second Saturday of October and must be removed from the parking lot no later than May 31<sup>st</sup> each year (Per our County Use Permit). Vehicles, trailers, snowmobiles, ATV's & UTV's left in the parking lot after May 31<sup>st</sup> will be impounded and charged a \$100 fee; unless other arrangements have been made. Vehicles remaining past 90 days in the impound area will be removed at the owner's expense.
7. Vehicles with diesel engines have priority for diesel parking spaces. There are now 30 diesel parking spaces. Assignment of a parking space to a diesel vehicle must be reserved and paid for by October 1<sup>st</sup>. After Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, if space is available, assignments will be made on a first come basis. The fee is **\$200** for the season or **\$20.00** for the weekend (if space is still available). See Security personnel to reserve a space and pay your fee.
- 8. When leaving the lot on snowmobile please stay on marked trails and observe traffic regulations.**

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## Arrowhead Grooming

The winter grooming season is under way thanks to the recent snow accumulation on the mountain. The Arrowhead Snowmobile Club's groomer, which is leased to AIA, has had a summer inspection and is ready to groom the 17 miles of Arrowhead filing roads. Bill Misare has joined Eric Johnson and me in sharing the driving duties this winter. We will continue to groom Arrowhead roads mostly at night to reduce traffic issues and allow the groomed trail to harden before morning. On occasion we will go out during the day to address drifting problems in certain areas. If you happen to meet us on a road, please slow down and we'll move to the side to let you pass by. Please wait until we come to a complete stop before you attempt to pass us.

There is a driver schedule for grooming on the AIA website. Feel free to call me if there are issues that need to be corrected. Please note that we can't use the groomer to extricate snowmobiles or tracked vehicles stuck in the snow. However, we will certainly try to help with a bungee to get you free. We have a parking spot above the warming hut so please avoid parking there as we need to have room to maneuver in that area. Thanks for your help and cooperation.

Ron Benson  
862-8365





# Community News

## GREETINGS FROM THE ARROWHEAD SNOWMOBILE CLUB



Kathy Koeltzow Secretary

News on the mountain is all good! People are getting on line to join for the 2011 year and we have a GREAT year planned for everyone!

The grooming team has been to a clinic to fine tune their skills so we will have awesome trails to ride. The trail has been fine-tuned with more trees cut and wider so the groomer can maneuver and we can all enjoy some safe and fun rides up-country. Speaking of rides, there

will be several group rides scheduled with cook-outs at Willow Park with leaders for all skills from beginner to expert. The dates are set for the second Saturday of January, February and March and other activities may be arranged if the club has some ideas.

We will have a pole setting party soon so watch for announcements. The more help the more fun we will have and will get the job done faster. We have several hundred poles to set to mark the trail. Sure don't want anyone to get lost out there!

GPS games have started as well and the location will be announced on the AIA news website. Prizes are club wear and we do have some great club wear by the way. Hole in the Wall will make up sweatshirts or other items for kids and they make great gifts.

We purchased a chain saw to ride with the groomer to remove any trees on the path. Last year Star had to make a quick run up country in the middle of the night to take a chain saw to Eric so he could remove a tree blocking his way.

We might have an avalanche class coming up and a safety class as well so watch for these.

Ok friends, let's have fun, be safe and have a wonderful Christmas.

**See you on the trails...**

New GPS Coordinates for ASC Contest  
will be posted to the website

For more snowmobiling news, check out  
[www.snowmobilecolo.com](http://www.snowmobilecolo.com)

**Early morning temperature on Thanksgiving day  
was -8\*  
Burr Baby!**



## What's happening at the Inn

Thursday, December 16, Community Christmas Dinner

Friday, December 31st New Years Eve Party

Reservations Required 970-862-8206

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## Health on the Mountain by Joyce Boulter

It is beautiful on the mountain. Early snow has transformed our paradise into a winter wonderland. The skis are out and fires are burning. 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 those winter warriors who come up on weekends and holidays. Extreme cold is also more dangerous as we get older, and even though we don't act like it most of the residents are at least eligible for AARP.

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, while in Arrowhead temperatures from about 15 to -20 are extreme cold. First plan for emergencies in your house. You should have food that doesn't require cooking or refrigeration, such as crackers, bread, cereal, canned food and dried fruits. Parmalat is a packaged milk that has a shelf life of about 6 months and 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 good 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 non-electric can opener. All of our houses have smoke detectors, but you also need a carbon monoxide detector and an indoor/outdoor thermometer. I keep a box of supplies for the car also. It should contain; blankets, first aid kit, waterproof matches, windshield scraper, booster cables, paper towels, sand or cat litter, towrope, chains, collapsible shovel, flashlight and batteries, canned food and opener or dried high calorie food and a bright colored cloth.

Outdoor safety is more 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. For example: 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 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, but 911 will 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. First get 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.

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.

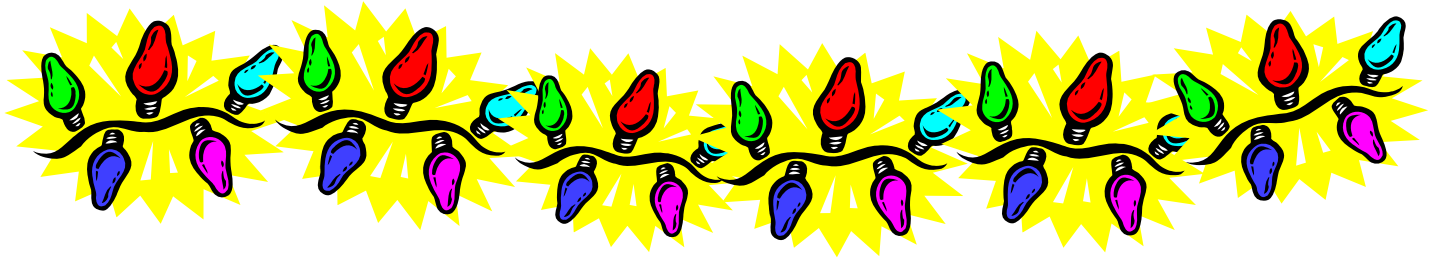
**L**= Layer your clothing. Wool, silk or polypropylene hold more body heat than cotton.

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





# Community News



## Arrowhead Invitation!

Lets show our holiday spirit at Arrowhead by decorating and lighting our cabins. We live in a beautiful wonderland that is accentuated by the lights at night.

In past years we have held a "Parade of Lights," but due to busy holiday schedules, etc. have found it difficult to organize that.

We will post on the website the cabins lit-up so family, friends and guests can snowmobile by during the set time, at their convenience.

Please have your lights on between 6:00 and 9:00 from December 11th thru January 1st if you would like to participate.

Let me know by email [cheriratliff@fone.net](mailto:cheriratliff@fone.net) if you would like your address included on the website.

**Join the fun!**



# High Mountain Living by Patricia J. Plute

The following is an excerpt from Plute's book written in 1999 about a single woman living at Arrowhead.

## Arrowhead Blessings

After reading all the do's and don'ts in this little book, you are probably wondering why you would even want to live at Arrowhead. Well, first, it's a challenge. I've become a stronger, more resilient person living up here. My health is better. I am physically and mentally tougher, and that's one reason I wanted to live up here in "the mountains."

The mountains. That's what it is all about. Being there, in them, not on them. Able to step out the door each day, and be there. I walk from my house, and within moments I see the San Juans-the ragged back of Sheep Mountain lurching up into the sky and the tiny triangle of Uncompaghe Peak off to the left. On the other side of Arrowhead, the West Elks tinted pink and glowing gold in an evening sunset as I set out on my snowmobile for a neighbor's house, a hot dinner and a warm fire.

One thing I learned up here is that people "play" as opposed to indulging in recreation. We are fairly inventive about "play". We have the annual winter golf tournament. It's a four hole course laid out around the fire house, in the deep snow. We groom it, bury plastic buckets in the ground for the holes, put up flags, and use golf clubs and colored whiffle balls to play. Each foursome needs at least one person on snow shoes to retrieve the balls from "the rough", the three feet of deep powder snow on the sides of the "fairway". I think par is about 36.

We have progressive dinner parties in the winter. You'd think we have a hard enough time merely getting groceries up here in the winter without riding around from house to house in freezing temperatures to eat pieces of dinner. Salads at one house, main course at another, desserts at another-forty people snowmobiling around in the moonlight to get fed.

We have potlucks at the fire house, and cards and dominoes afterwards. We have the annual Forth of July picnic and cookout, with door prizes, games food and relaxed talk beneath the aspen trees.

At Christmas, people ride around dropping off small gifts on your doorstep. We have a big Christmas party, exchanging gifts and food and laughter and jokes. As a single woman living alone, I am not left alone at Christmas or on the other major holidays, which is truly a blessing for me.

At Arrowhead you have a choice of life style. You can remain pretty much to yourself, or you can live a sociable, outgoing life or combination of both.

Now that we have phone lines, you can work at home as a writer, artist, or simply read and do some of those things you put off for many years. You can get on the Internet to keep in touch, or you can refuse to keep in touch. I haven't subscribed to or scarcely even read a newspaper since I moved up here. The World Trade Center bombing was three days old before I even knew about it. This is a wonderful aspect of living up here in semi-isolation.

I love starry skies, the moonlit snow, the utter silences that envelop you when you step out the door at night. I love the soft hoot of owls, and the bugling of the elk during the fall, the yip and howl of coyotes in the distance. Up here, you hear silences and sounds that you never hear in "civilization". Without street lights, a walk at night can carry you back to a much earlier era when "black as night" really meant what it said.

I love being immediately close to the high country. I can get into the highest mountains with a short drive, and then set out on day hikes along the base of sheep Mountain, or on the trails above Crested Butte. In July, I drive up to the top of the Alpine Plateau to see the pastures, covered with lupine, echoing the icy blue of the sky.

I like living at Arrowhead because it keeps me humble, although some people might doubt that statement. Up here, you deal with the basics: the weather, firewood, available water, and just managing to move around either on foot or vehicle. All winter long, you calculate your life around the weather. Is it going to snow today, within the hour, or clear up within a couple of hours? Do I have enough firewood for the winter? You know that in this place, you are a speck in the universe, and that you cannot control everything around you, so you learn to ease off a bit.

I like Arrowhead because of the humor. People tease, and you can't take yourself too seriously. The banter and jokes around the potluck tables lighten everybody's mood.

So take care, and savor the mountains. That's why we are all here.

If you would like to purchase "High Mountain Living", I have a few copies left. contact [cheriratliff@fone.net](mailto:cheriratliff@fone.net)





*Season's Greetings*

To all of our friends and customers.

How joyful we are to extend to you our sincere gratitude, because it is good friends and customers like you that make our business possible. May your holiday be filled with joy and the coming year be overflowing with all the good things in life.

Happy Holidays from all of us at Tamarack At Arrowhead!

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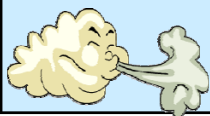
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**Snow Report for November : 28 inches**

*Submitted by Linda Dysart*

Contributions to the **Gunnison Country Food Pantry** 117 North Iowa Street in Gunnison are being taken. You may take canned food items to the Fire House. Ron and Diane Benson deliver them to the Pantry when the bin is full. This is on-going, and not just for the holiday season. Please join in, and help the needy in our area.



**To All at Arrowhead  
I would like to Wish Everyone a  
Happy and Safe Holiday Season  
Thanks for your support thru the year  
Nick Garreffa**



## A HOLIDAY DREAM YOU CAN AFFORD INFORMATION 1800 SPRUCE ROAD



854' main floor 264' loft = 1,128'  
+ front deck 128' rear 72'

**A-Frame in private location near winter parking and firehouse.**

Put a very conservative value of \$50,000 to a fully mitigated lot in a great private location with complete utilities installed. The location is near winter parking and the firehouse.

Add \$125,000 and you will own a fully furnished cabin ready to occupy and enjoy or a good rental investment property. WOW \$175,000 total for an Arrowhead cabin!

You cannot build or replace at this price! Retired out of state owner loved her 25 Arrowhead years but it is time to pass on her dream to yours.....

Complete renovation in 2007! New green metal roof with two Vellux skylights and Vellux solar tube. New windows and doors exterior/interior. Cedar exterior siding with many cedar interior touches including cedar wrapped open beams. There is a front deck entry 8' x 16' and new Trex rear deck 6' x 12' with built in benches.

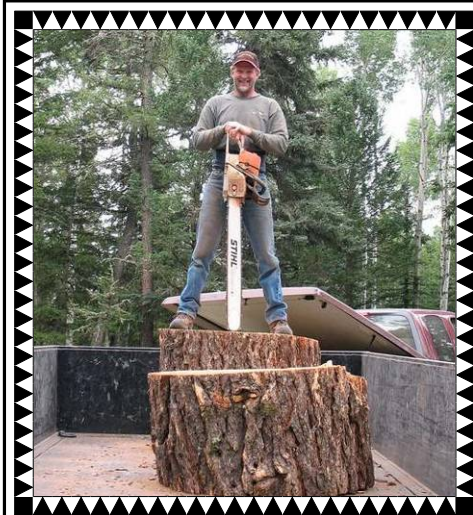
Interior floors are laminate, tile and carpet. New cabinetry in kitchen and bath, new countertops with unique aspen leaf design for breakfast bar and work counters. Ivory no seam under mount double sink, dishwasher/disposal, stackmate washer/dryer. Propane and electric heating.

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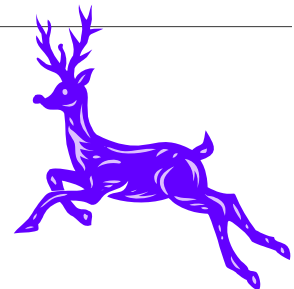
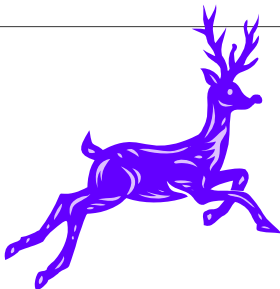


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