



Glacier Viewpoint



A Community Newsletter

Winter, 2019

The Presidents' Corner

Road and Recreation

The snow cover is a welcome relief from the dry windy conditions that increase our wildfire danger. While I understand the controversy around the prescribed burn that got out of control, we did not sustain loss beyond inconvenience. THANK YOU to all involved in the positive conclusion to the Elk Wildfire.

With the snow, it is time for a reminder about our roads. Those coming UP an incline have the right-of-way to avoid loss of traction. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Maybe you will be trying to climb up the next time.

Speaking of consideration, THANK YOU! to those who are observing our reduced speed limit of 20 mph, unless posted otherwise. This helps our road team maintain driving conditions. For those of you who continue to drive above the limit, SLOW DOWN! I have observed and experienced crowding at switchbacks, corners, and intersections. The roads are narrow in places and taking your lane out of the middle can cause unnecessary avoidance reactions on the part of other drivers. PLEASE SLOW DOWN! Road & Recreation Association dues are reasonable now, but if we do not slow down, we may experience increased costs. Our roads belong to ALL of us, please be considerate of your neighbors.

As our community experiences continuing development, our roads may experience increased traffic. Again, slowing down reduces maintenance and friction between vehicles on our mountain roads. The orderly "build out" of our community will be enhanced by considerate members.

Enjoy the changing season and drive carefully!

David Birks, President

Road & Recreation Association

Water and Sewer

There was a good article in the last Viewpoint about what to do to help minimize water problems in freezing weather.

One thing I would like to add – the article said to turn off the valve into your hot water tank – and that is good. However, if you have an electric hot water tank, the water level in that tank can fall below the upper heat element when the rest of the house is drained. When turning on the water again in the Spring, or the next day, do not turn on the electricity to the house or to that hot water tank until you are sure that tank is completely full (water will run out of a hot water faucet when the tank is full). If the electricity is on before that tank is full, it only takes about 2 seconds to burn out the upper heat element. Guess what? You will have no hot water – and if you don't know how to replace the element, you may have a plumbing bill to pay.

I cannot emphasize enough to turn off your water supply – even if it is just overnight that you will be gone. The rule seems to be that water pipes only leak when you are not there.

Now – turn on a faucet and fill a one-gallon jug and see if it takes 2 minutes or less. Ok now leave that faucet run for 8 to 10 hours (the minimal time you are gone overnight). Ok take all that water (approximately 300 gallons) and dump it out on a kitchen or bathroom floor! Don't wipe it up – let it soak in! What kind of water damage do you think you will have when you get home?!!

Something else to do is put RV antifreeze in all drain lines and "P" traps when leaving for extended periods. Yes – blowing out all lines is good but you need to have liquid in "P" traps to prevent back flow of sewer gases into the home. That's where you need to have the RV antifreeze. This includes all sinks – dishwasher drains – clothes washer drains – floor drains – shower drains and all toilets and any other drains I may have forgotten.

Of course, "you say" I keep the heat on in my house at 50 degrees when we are gone! Ok – now what if the power is off for say 2 days and the temperature is 0-10 degrees for 2 nights and the daytime temperature is no more than 25 degrees. There is no heat system that I know of that operates without electricity. Do you want to take a chance with your home when all it takes is to do the proper sequence of water off and draining and antifreeze?

Insurance companies have a lot of records of water damage claims due to frozen pipes – and that does not consider your inconvenience of repairs!

Good Luck and Turn It Off

Jim Petrie, President

Water & Sewer



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WINTER IS THE TIME FOR COMFORT. FOR GOOD FOOD AND WARMTH, FOR THE TOUCH OF A FRIENDLY HAND AND FOR A TALK BESIDE THE FIRE. IT IS THE TIME FOR HOME.

Glacier View Meadows

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Mon - Sat from 8am - 4:30pm **Sun** from 8am - Noon
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As always, the **Honor System Fishing Pass** box is available on the office porch for weekend owners who need to purchase passes for their guests.

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Lynn Johnson - Director

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ARC Committee	Budget Committee
Ecology Committee	Fishing Committee
Nominating Committee	Recreation Committee
Trails Committee	Rules Committee
Records & Information Committee	

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Ed Sather - Slash Pile Monitor
Jill Cywka - trash monitor

Web Master

Ray Andress

Glacier View Association Board Meetings

The Water & Sewer and the Road & Recreation Boards meet the third Wednesday of each month at 3:00 pm. Road & Recreation Board meets immediately after Water & Sewer.

Manager's Notes

Questions that come up about Snow Plowing in GVM

Yes, to some of you this is repetitive information, but for others it may be a refresher or completely new.

When snow is removed from a roadway, the snowplow operator piles it as far as possible off the road and may include a portion of your driveway where it connects to the road. To avoid placing a berm across the end of your driveway, our drivers would need to angle the blade at each driveway, which would cause a delay in snow removal and put some snow back onto the road. This would significantly increase the time required for snow removal. While we regret this inconvenience, our primary responsibility is to provide safe and reliable roadways for all who use GVM roads, including fire equipment, ambulance and law enforcement vehicles.

I live on a Court. Why does it take so long for my road to get plowed? The snowplow program is prioritized on a "greatest impact" basis. The main roads are plowed first, followed by less used roads and courts. This allows some mobility within the community and keeps emergency services as open as possible. What if I have an emergency and can't get out of my home? In the event of an emergency, always call **911**. Once these routes are accessible, courts and cul-de-sacs are plowed. With quick and heavy snowfall, it may be necessary for the snowplow to remain on the main roads for longer periods of time to keep up with the snow, which can cause a significant delay in getting to the secondary roads.

The snowplow sometimes hits my address sign. Why does this happen?

The Associations right-of-way often extends 30 feet out from the center of the road. To prepare for additional snow from the next storm, the snowplow operator pushes the snow as far off the road (and into the right-of-way) as possible. In the process, if address signs and posts are in the right-of-way, and the operator does not see them. We suggest you place the metal signpost back as far as possible. The Association appreciates residents not building anything, including fences, or landscaping in the County's right-of-way, and keeping a minimum of 10 feet clear from the edge of the road.

Why can't I park on the roads in the winter? All motor vehicles and trailers should be kept clear of the roads to expedite snow removal operations and prevent damage to snowplows or private vehicles.

How far off the road do I need to park?

Ideally, the snowplow operator needs at least 10 feet to be clear on the side of the road. Anything less can cause a delay in snow plowing, possible damage to the plow or vehicle. How can residents help during the snow season? • Prepare for the snow season—get the necessary equipment, including snow shovels, snow blower and tire chains in the event of a heavy snowfall. If you can, please help your neighbors who are elderly or disabled by shoveling their driveway and berm.

As always, any questions or concerns please notify me or the office.

*****I hope all GVM residents have a safe and wonderful time during the upcoming holidays. *****

Larry Maybon

GVM Manager



Dogs Rule or Dog Rules?

The old saw that states, "There are no bad dogs, only bad dog owners" bears repeating, due to nuisance complaints of dogs running loose and aggressive dogs on GVM roads. Frequent postings on Next Door involve lost dogs and dogs that have run off. What is the solution for these recurring problems?

The general rule on animals within GVM is found in section 4.2 of the Master Declaration of GVM covenants:

No animals, livestock, or poultry **of any kind** shall be housed, raised or kept on any lot, either temporarily or permanently . . .

There are three exceptions. First, "commonly accepted domestic household pets" are permitted

"provided they are not kept or maintained for any commercial purposes and are not a nuisance to adjoining property owners."

The second exception expands the first, and relates to dogs:

"Dogs may be kept **upon the premises** so long as they are securely confined in an enclosure such as a pen, restricted by a suitable leash or chain or having been **properly trained** **are at all times** within the control of the owner under voice command and **are not running at large.**"

The third exception is that (2) horses may be kept in certain designated GVM lot filings.

The first common sense solution is a dog run fence. The second common sense solution is a leash. Dogs will be dogs. If an unconfined dog sees wildlife, it may be unreasonable to expect it not to chase, even it has been trained to follow voice commands.

Technically, covenant 4.2 does not actually permit residents to take their dogs on walks of GVM roads. However, this limitation has not been enforced, and probably won't be unless uncontrolled dogs running at large become more of a problem.

Dog owners: please be a good dog owner and keep your dogs under control and not a nuisance. Nuisance dog complaints received by the GVM office typically result in a gentle reminder to the owner. Multiple or serious complaints involving dogs at large being aggressive to other dogs or humans, or chasing wildlife, may be reported to Larimer County animal control or the local wildlife officer.

Tire chains are an amazing invention. They have been around for many years and have gotten thousands of people safely through horrible road conditions. The benefits of using chains are so clear that the state of Colorado has laws that require them on certain roads during poor road conditions. These laws are meant to protect drivers and all other vehicles on the road. Also, by requiring tire chains, the road crews can spend more time working on the road rather than working to avoid abandoned or stuck vehicles.

It's important to install chains in a safe, convenient area. Many people wait until they get stuck and find the job to much more difficult or impossible. Many residents, men and women alike, have been seen at the GVM gates "chaining up" before driving the last stretch home. These folks enjoy tremendous traction and a feeling of confidence all the way home. In the morning, they simply drive back down to the main road and remove the chains which takes even less time.

Motions of Note

Joint

September 18, 2019

Don Herman moved to refer the Code of Conduct back to the Rules Committee and that the Committee look at the entire Code of Conduct and bring it up to date. Gordon Nuttall, 2nd. All in favor raise your hand (6) David Birks, Jim Petrie, Dan Barbour, Jim Casadevall, Don Herman and Gordon Nuttall. All against (2) AJ Shilling and Kevin Snell. Motion carried

October 16, 2019

Don Herman, Road & Recreation Association, moved to table further discussion until the Rules Committee submits a Code of Conduct revision. Dan Barbour, Water & Sewer Association, 2nd. Unanimous motion passed.

Kevin Snell, Road & Recreation Association moved to authorize the manager to proceed with the foreclosure process for two properties. Jim Petrie, Water & Sewer Association, 2nd. Unanimous motion passed.

David Birks moved to authorize the manager to contract Complete Basement Services, to repair and prevent further damage to the office basement walls. The Board authorizes up to \$12,500 for wall repair, new sump pump and a new carpet, to be split 50/50 or \$6,250.00 each, Road & Recreation and Water & Sewer Associations. CJ Tripoli, Water and Sewer, 2nd. Unanimous motion passed.

Road & Recreation Association

August 21, 2019

Kevin Snell moved to allocate up to \$13,000 to be matched 50/50 by the Water and Sewer Association for the purchase of a water/snowplow truck. This truck will be equipped with a new plow blade and a new water tank. The manager will then put the present water/snowplow truck

September 18, 2019

Kevin Snell moved to transfer \$50,000 to the Capital Reserve account. Unanimous, motion passed.

AJ Shilling moved to approve allocation of up to \$25,000 for a pavilion near the Mountain Meetin' Place Unanimous motion passed.

David Birks moved to authorize the manager to allocate up to \$24,000 for the purchase of new tractor with a new rear deck mower, blade and canopy setup. Unanimous motion passed

October 16, 2019

AJ Shilling moved to table discussion to next meeting to allow the board the opportunity review the new charter. Unanimous motion passed.

Don Herman moved to decline special member request to dump slash into GVM slash pile. Unanimous motion passed

Water & Sewer Association

August 21, 2019

Lynn Johnson moved to table further discussion concerning the Code of Conduct revision to next Joint meeting. Unanimous, motions passed.

Dan Barbour moved to authorize the allocation of up to \$13,000 to be matched 50/50 by the Road and Recreation Association for the purchase of a water truck that will also be used as a snowplow. This truck will be equipped with a new plow blade and new water tank. The manager will then sell the present water/snowplow truck. Unanimous, motion passed.

It is a busy time for the USPS – Please remember to check your mail

As for the United States Postal Service package delivery policy, the agency will deliver packages in mailboxes if space allows. Otherwise, the carrier may leave a delivery slip telling the customer to pick it up at the Livermore post office.

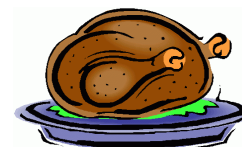
As Christmas approaches mail and package delivery to our mailboxes increase substantially. Last December many of us had to make a trip to the Livermore post office simply because there was no room in the mailboxes. There are only so many package boxes and it was reported that some of us do not pick up our packages for days and sometimes weeks. We can all do our part by checking our mailbox and pick up our packages more often.

Thank you!



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- November 13 – Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meet @ GVM office 3:00 pm
- November 19 – Glacier Gals Meeting 1:00 p.m. – Call Becky Weeder for location #493-9314
- November 20 – Water and Sewer Board Meeting 3:00 pm - GVM office
- November 20 – Road and Recreation Board Meeting (immediately after Water & Sewer meeting)
- November 28 – GVM Office and Trash closed - Happy Thanksgiving!
- November 29 – GVM Office closed – Trash open



December 7 & 8 The Greening of Red Feather- Saturday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Sunday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, will be held in the **Chapel of the Pines Fellowship Hall** (23947 CR 74E). **LIBRARY TIMES AND EVENTS, Red Feather Lakes**, Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, Children's craft table - 12:00 to 5:00 pm, Santa 12:00 to 2:00 pm.

December 7 – 15 **Red Feather Lakes Christmas tree cutting area:** Follow the signs on Hwy 74 E. On the weekends, permits may be obtained at the cutting area (cash only). For weekday cutting, permits must be obtained in advance from Forest Service offices in Fort Collins at 2150 Centre Avenue or Greeley at 660 "O" Street. The price is \$20.00 per permit (cash only). Call 970-295-6700 before arriving to ensure someone who can sell permits is available.

- December 11 Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meet @ GVM office 3:00 pm
- December 15 Glacier Gals Holiday Party, Dinner and gift exchange – At the Mountain Meetn' place starting at 5:00 pm.
- December 17 There will **not** be a Glacier Gals Meeting this month.
- December 18 There will **not** be a Road & Recreation or Water & Sewer Board meeting this month.
- December 25 Office and Trash closed - **Merry Christmas Everyone!!!**
- December 28 Potluck 5:30 pm – Glacier View Office Community Room



- January 1 Office closed and Trash closed - Happy New Year to All!!! –
- January 8 Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meet @ GVM office 3:00 pm
- January 15 Water and Sewer Board Meeting 3:00 pm - GVM office
- January 15 Road and Recreation Board Meeting (immediately after Water & Sewer meeting)
- January 21 Glacier Gals Meeting, 3:00 pm. Call Becky Weeder for location #493-9314
- January 25 Potluck 5:30 pm – Glacier View Office Community Room
- February 12 Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meet @ GVM office 3:00 pm
- February 14 Happy Valentine's Day!!!
- February 18 Glacier Gals Meeting, 3:00pm. Call Becky Weeder for location #493-9314
- February 19 Water and Sewer Board Meeting 3:00 pm - GVM office
- Road and Recreation Board Meeting (immediately after Water & Sewer meeting)
- February 29 Potluck 5:30pm – Glacier View Office Community Room

What are the areas of Fort Collins you take your friends to when they visit from out of town?

The area along South College, between Drake and Horsetooth, are dense with shopping opportunities. Parking is easy. There's no need for waiting for service. It's clean, richly decorated, up-to-date. Convenience is the order of the day. It's the pride of our business community, an important driver of the economy of Northern Colorado. You do have a favorite restaurant in that area, of course.

Is that a place you consider memorable, distinctive to our area, a location you're proud to share?

Or do you take them to Old Town?

Parking is more difficult at Old Town. There's often crowds to navigate, lines to wait in for service. The neighborhoods take some time to learn about. Buildings are older, and many show their age. Few would describe it as a convenient place.

Or we could consider, when you visit a new city, what areas do you prefer to visit? Do you gravitate to the newest shopping malls? Do you go cruising through the subdivisions? Can you hardly wait to see the newest housing developments?

Most of us are drawn to places that have unique character, with stories to tell and history lurking just beneath the surface. Fort Collins Old Town has Spirit of Place about it. As we walk through it we love looking around, being surprised, enjoying the physicality of it. We don't want to drive—we want to be in the space. We seek out the places that make us want to slow down and stay a while.

It isn't just the shopping downtown of Fort Collins, either. Mountain Avenue is a pleasure to stroll, for example.

What is that Spirit of Place? Where does it come from? How is it created and maintained?

What is the Spirit of Glacier View Meadows? What do we want it to be? What do we do, each of us, to help create and support that Spirit?

ARC Chair
Michael O'Neill

Nominating Committee Volunteers Needed !!

Although next year's annual meeting and election is still 6 months away, it's time to begin preparing for it. We are in need of someone to be the nominating committee chairperson, who's responsibilities include recruiting candidates for both boards, ensuring that those candidates are aware of their responsibilities as board directors, and overseeing the election process. No previous experience is necessary, as a member from each board is assigned to the nominating committee to work with the chairperson to help with these tasks. Please contact the HOA office if you're interested in being on the nominating committee, either as chairperson or an at-large member.

It's also not too early to consider being a candidate for either HOA board. There are 2 positions on the Road & Recreation board and 3 on the Water & Sewer board that will be up for election next year. Being a board member is a great way to learn how the HOA is run and to contribute to the decisions and actions taken by the boards. Contact the HOA office to learn more about board positions and/or to put your hat in the ring for next year.

Don Herman

COVENANT QUICKIES

Did You Know?

Per The GVM Master Declaration covenant 4.3 - Duties of the Architectural Control Committee: No building shall be erected or altered until the construction plans and specifications regarding quality of workmanship, type of materials and harmony of external design shall have been approved by the Architectural Control Committee. (Please contact the office or visit the website to learn how to comply with this rule before you begin any construction)

Per The GVM Architectural Review Committee Rules, Section VI, other Environmental Rules Regarding Properties:

A. Exterior Lighting

In keeping with the natural setting in Glacier View Meadows, outside lighting should be limited. Short-term activation of lights by sensors is recommended, as is the use of low voltage (low candlepower) lighting systems. Automatic day-night activation by sensors or timers, resulting in extended night flood lighting is unacceptable. (Cov. 4.17) This nuisance is one which draws a fair number of complaints. Please turn off your outside lights when you go to bed at night.



Would you like to help support the kids at Red Feather Lakes Elementary? We make it easy!

EVENTS:

Nov 21 @ 11:30: Turkey Dinner at Red Feather Lakes Elementary, Community welcome \$3.50 per meal

Dec 7&8 10-4 Greening of Red Feather at Morning Star Community Church : We'll be serving breakfast burritos, our famous elk chili , kettle corn and kids crafts.

Dec7 10-4 Winter Festival at Stove Prairie Elementary. We'll be selling our famous elk chili and kettle corn

DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS:

Log in to Amazon through SmileAmazon.com and choose us as your charity

Log in to Kingsoopers.com and choose us as **your charity**.

Buy Subway cards with tons of savings for you and a portion is donated to us.

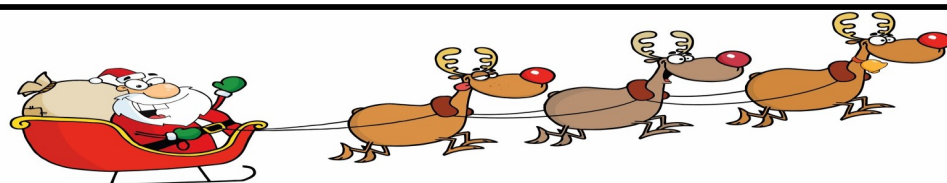
We collect Boxtops too.

Volunteers and donations made out to the RFLPTO are always welcome.

Contact PTO President Stephanie Franklin 970-712-7257



Happy



Holidays

ROAD & RECREATION BOARD ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

During the past years a combination of events, primarily savings resulting from light snowfall seasons, the R&R Association has accrued a sum of \$160,335 in cash balances in its operating checking account. Please understand that these funds are unrelated to monies that the Association has put aside in a Capital Reserve Account to provide for future office, building, equipment and vehicle replacement.

The Association Board of Directors at its September 18th meeting considered the use of the funds and the following amounts were approved.

\$25,000 increase in the 2019-2020 budget for road maintenance and repair. The increased funds will provide for road grading, placing of road gravel, and for increased ditch maintenance. Also, for consideration of individual culvert installations.

\$24,000 for the replacement of the tractor/mower used for grass mowing and road maintenance.

\$25,000 for the cost of installation of a pavilion across from the Mountain Meeting Place. This permanent facility will replace the use of tents and provide for both Association and private party events.

\$5,250 for repairs to the office building of water damage caused by a failed sump pump. The Water & Sewer Board will be contributing a similar amount for its share of the repair cost.

\$50,000 increase in the 2019-2020 budget for the Capital Reserve Account. The Reserve Account consists of funds to be used primarily for the purchase of vehicles and equipment. At June 30, 2019, the end of the last fiscal year, The Capital Reserve Account had a balance of \$111,654. The budget for the current year called for \$40,000 to be contributed to the reserve.

The additional contribution \$50,000 will result in a total reserve of \$201,000.

These allocations of funds will leave \$31,185 to be maintained in the Association's Operating Account.

AJ Shilling

Treasurer

Road & Recreation Association



GLACIER VIEW MEADOWS POLICY FOR COLLECTION OF UNPAID ASSESSMENTS

Policy Purpose.

The purpose of this Policy is to emphasize that collection of unpaid Assessments is an important part of governing the Association and such collection must be done in a uniform manner in accordance with the Association Documents and CCIOA. It is the intent of this Policy to provide a framework for the collection of past due Assessments in a timely and efficient manner.

Collection of Unpaid Assessments.

To assist with the collection of unpaid Assessments in a timely and efficient manner, the Association shall do the following:

- a. If payment is not received within 30 days of the due date, the Association shall send a letter demanding payment to any delinquent Owner within 30 days after such annual Assessment becomes past due. The demand letter shall be mailed by regular United States mail within 30 days and will notify the Owner of the delinquency and associated late fees and demand payment within 30 days.
- b. In the event payment is not received from any delinquent Owner within 30 days after the date of the demand letter referenced above, the Association may pursue any one or all of the following collection remedies:
 - i. File an Assessment lien against the delinquent Owner's property.
 - ii. Commence and maintain legal proceedings (lawsuits seeking personal judgments and foreclosure actions) for the recovery of delinquent Assessments, late fees, interest, attorney fees and costs as may be allowed by the Association Documents or CCIOA.
 - iii. Pursue collection of judgments obtained against Owners.
 - iv. Take all other lawful action necessary to collect delinquent Assessments in accordance with the Association Documents and Colorado law.

If the Association fails to follow the procedures set forth above it shall not be construed as any waiver or release of a delinquent Owner's obligation to pay Assessments or the Association's right to collect the Assessments in accordance with the Association Documents and CCIOA.

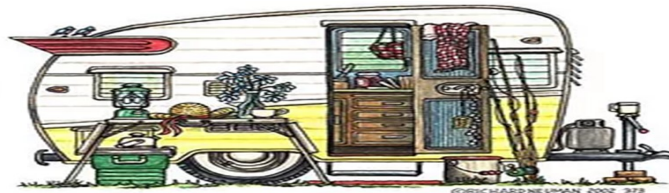
Association's Attorney Fees and Costs.

Any delinquent Owner shall be responsible for attorney fees and costs incurred by the Association in the collection of past due Assessments, whether or not a lawsuit is commenced, in accordance with the Association Documents and CCIOA.

Foreclosure and Bankruptcy Notices.

If the Association receives any bankruptcy or foreclosure notice regarding an Owner with unpaid Assessments, the Association may seek advice from its attorney regarding the appropriate action to be taken. If the Association, through its attorney, has sent a demand letter, filed a lien or commenced legal proceedings against an Owner in order to collect unpaid Assessments, the Association shall forward any bankruptcy or foreclosure notice received to the attorney.

A reminder to those GVM residents that don't follow the rules of the extended parking of RV trailers and non-operating cars on residential lots.



We are doing all we can to handle any complaints regarding this issue. A common question is why aren't we moving them out? GVM staff has no legal right to physically move these vehicles, but we do have legal rights to take actions. Several letters have been sent out notifying property owners of violations. If the property owner fails to follow up with action, then fines are imposed. I will do all I can to help any resident with issues or problems. Let's keep GVM a wonderful place to live and be a part of. As always please contact the office or me by phone or email with concerns or general questions, that is why we are here. I appreciate those residents that do follow the 6 months rule every year and a big thank you too! (Manager@glacierviewmeadows.com)
Larry Maybon



Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Glacier View Meadows Annual Holiday Party. This year the party is set for **Sunday, December 15th** beginning at 5:00 pm, at the Mountain Meetin' Place. It is always a good time and a chance to connect with others from GVM.

Glacier Gals provides turkey, ham and some drinks. We ask that attendees **bring** a side dish or dessert to share. We have paper plates available, but please feel free to bring your own table service.

As part of the festivities we always have a "gift exchange/dirty Santa" swap. If you wish to participate in this part of the festivities, bring something wrapped and, if gender specific, please indicate on the outside if it is for guys or gals. All who bring something for the "gift exchange" can participate. If you do not want to directly participate in the exchange, it is still entertaining to watch the goings-on.

To assist our schools, at the Holiday Party Glacier Gals collect kids' sized winter clothing: hats, gloves, mittens, coats and boots. The items are given to the area schools to help keep kids warm. If you have something to donate or want to buy kid outerwear items, please bring them to the party at the MMP where we will have a basket or box set up to receive your graciously donated items. After the party a Glacier Gal will make sure the donated items make it to the schools.

Hope to see you at the Holiday Party for a fun night!

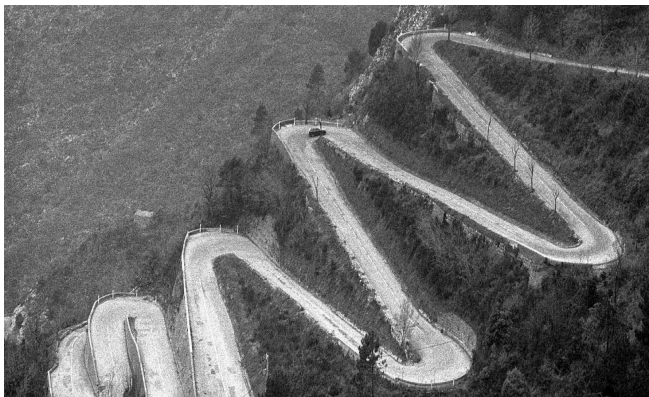
Glacier Gals is a social and service volunteer organization serving our community. It is a great way to learn about our mountain community and make new friends and acquaintances. All GVM and surrounding area ladies are welcome to join us for our projects and social gatherings. We just ask that you give some of your time to help with our various events and projects. Do to current privacy rules, we are not able to contact you, but you can contact us by showing up to a meeting (winter months, the third Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the Community Room), a lunch (noon, second Tuesday of the month, locations change for this) or breakfast last Thursday of the month, at 9:00 am, at DaLonna Mae's). Join in on an activity or call Becky Weeder (493- 9314, leave a message) or Ginny Blanz (493-3012) for information or locations. We would love to have you join us.

Your **Glacier View Fire District Board of Directors** thanks you for your support! With our strong group of Volunteer Firefighters/EMTs we will continue providing you, our friends and families, the best medical and fire services possible. Thank you to the following Firefighters/EMTs for their service

Lynn Creekmore
Jordon Cross
Drake Dayton
Michael Dunlap
Ryan Hammack
Bridget Knox
Dan Knox

Mike Koncewicz
Mike Leaverton
Brittany Leenerts
Steven Leenerts
Chris Serafin
Rose Simmons

We are always accepting new volunteers for Glacier View Fire Protection District. If you would be interested in joining please contact the **GVFPD office at 493-3353 or email gvfdoffice1@gmail.com**.



PLEASE TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS ON THOSE ICY SWITCHBACKS AND INTERSECTIONS.. IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR TO BE MORE OBSERVATE FOR THE SNOW PLOWS. FOR THOSE GVM RESIDENTS EXPECTING ANY LARGE TRUCK DELIVERIES, IT WOULD BE A GREAT IDEA TO KEEP THEM POSTED ON THE ROAD CONDITIONS, MAY BE TIMES THEY NEED CHAINS TO MAKE IT TO YOUR HOME.

Community Holiday Party



Glacier Gals will be sponsoring the Annual Holiday Party/Potluck/Gift Exchange on Sunday, December 15th, at 5:00 pm, at the Mountain Meetin' Place. For more information, see Glacier Gals article in this newsletter, or call Becky Weeder @ 970-493-9314.

Do You Want to Stay in the Loop? Do THIS.



Do you know about the official GVM email list? This is a permission based email list and you can join it. Only the Glacier View Manager uses it for communications of an important nature. Weather, plowing, meetings, water issues, fire, etc. Here's how to join:

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- Click on the "News" link in the left-hand column
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Is your property served by the community water and sewer system? If the answer is yes, and you want to receive updates that concern planned water outages or anything out of the ordinary, just email Mary at: secretary@glacierviewmeadows.com, we will add your email address to the community system email list.



SENIOR ACCESS POINTS
OF LARIMER COUNTY

Have you ever wondered how aging might affect your loved ones? Maybe you have had concerns about someone's ability to live at home, remain independent, and live a life that is full of the things that *they* equate with a good life. Many of us worry about our aging parents, relatives, friends, neighbors, and even ourselves. Anxiety about aging sometimes makes us avoid preparing for the future. But when a crisis happens, we often find ourselves scrambling.

What if taking a few moments to plan for life changes could provide some peace of mind? **Senior Access Points of Larimer County** has developed a website (LarimerSeniors.org) that makes it easy for you to learn about local resources involving caregiving, mental health supports, housing and transportation services, among other important topics. There is also a phone number available if you would prefer to speak with a resource specialist at the Office on Aging (**970-498-7740**).

Magnets and cards (LarimerSeniors.org) and phone number (**970-498-7740**) are available at the RFL Library or our GVM Office. Please take some and share them with your neighbors. You will never have to wonder where to look if a need arises!

Senior Access Points collaborates with the **Partnership for Age-Friendly Communities (PAFC)**, a grassroots organization that fosters solutions to challenges of a growing population of older adults in Larimer County. PAFC is currently gathering feedback about aging in rural Larimer County and working with local communities to develop new supports and solutions.

How can you help? You can drop by the GVM Office and fill out a paper survey.

Please give us your feedback on our short survey about how important it is to stay in your home and community, what types of supports help people stay in their homes, and what activities connect us as neighbors.

Questions? Please feel free to contact:

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give and share, give and share.

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About people everywhere.



LETA911 tips

Oct 29, 2019



If you do not have a dependable cell phone signal at your home, it is highly recommended that you have a landline with at least one old-fashioned wired phone that is plugged directly into the wall jack. A portable phone that has a base station and plugs into AC power will not work if there is a power outage unless you have it plugged into an Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS). (a surge protector is not sufficient).

Follow these steps to receive text alerts anywhere in Larimer County:

- Start a new text message to the number "888777"
- Enter "LETA" or "Go LETA" in the text message box
- Push the Send button
- Receive the welcome message that confirms your registration



LETA911 sends notices that are "imminent threat to life". That includes **mandatory** or **voluntary** evacuation orders.

Note that the initial notice might be mandatory and later changed to voluntary. There are no guarantees that the LETA911 notice will reach you so use your own situational awareness and leave if you feel you need to.

The Sheriff's Emergency Services is the authority for issuing orders for wildfire and flood emergencies.

The LETA911 caller id is 970-658-2244. Add that to each of your device's/phone's contact list so that you don't mistake it for a regular unsolicited robocall.

You can call that 658-2244 number back and hear a recording of the message. Call Larimer Emergency Services at 498-5500 to reach a live person to talk with about the situation.

You can request a test of your device and/or get answers to your questions by calling 970-962-2173 or sending an email to letastaff@leta911.org

If you have a No Solicitation service, set up 970-658-2244 as a privileged caller. If your service does not have a privileged caller feature, you must remove the service in order to receive alerts from LETA911.

If your contact information (email, cell, phone) changes, you must update your information at leta911.org.

Ecology article for winter 2019 Viewpoint

Nov 3, 2019

Here's a summary of the ecology committee's 2019 season:

- A new trail was created – the Longview Trail with the Bear Caves Loop! The Overlook sign points to a spot with awesome views in all directions. Its trailhead is in filing 2 off Iron Mountain Dr just before Mt Guero Ct. That brings the number of trails to nine. Thanks to trail volunteers, all trails were cleaned up and several fallen trees were removed from the trails.
- The backpack sprayers loaner program will be available again next spring. Not only can the sprayers be used for treatment of noxious weeds, but this year we included cheatgrass in the fall. Our partnership with Larimer Weed District provides chemicals at a reduced price in quantities suitable for individuals.
- The predominant threat to trees is the IPS beetle. Remove all piles of slash or brush from your property – that is where they reproduce. That is also important for reducing fire fuels.
- We hosted 7 informational presentations in this, the fourth season, of the Speaker Series. If you missed any of them, recordings are available on the website.
- 64 nesting boxes for Mountain Bluebirds were distributed, with more to come next year.
- A half-dozen new plants were added to the Demo Garden. Visit there to learn more about rainwater collection systems.
- Six articles were added to the website and a nature scavenger hunt document written.

We wrapped up the 2019 season with a dinner/get together in early October.

Join us in caring for our shared beauty and enjoying camaraderie with neighbors. Visit gvmecology.com/about-us/ to learn more. Contact Linda Petrie at lpetrie@gmail.com if you are interested in trails, and Gordon Nuttall at gordon@couragent.net for other interests.

North 40 Mountain Alliance

By now you should know who we are.

N40alliance.org

The North 40 Mountain Alliance, Inc. (*N40MA*) is a cooperative made up of unpaid volunteers who live in the communities located along the County Rd. 74E corridor, in Larimer County, in the Red Feather Lakes, Colorado area.

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So have a safe holiday and be aware of the forecasts wherever you are.



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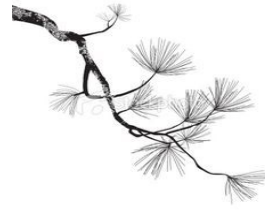
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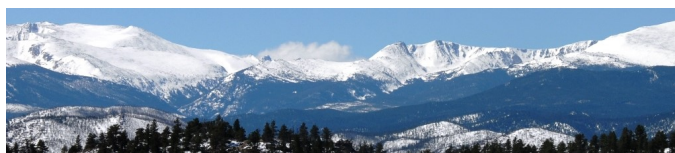
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