



# The RETREAT Newsletter

Glen Haven, Colorado  
"A Piece of Earth to Live With"

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS SECTION

### Opening Note from Board of Directors

Welcome Back Home!

Many of you have settled back into your residences. It is beginning to look like home again.

Please welcome Frances Cunningham to the board. The Board did a great job these past few months. Kudos to Kent Mills who filled out reams of paperwork for FEMA and SBA in our quest for funds. Thanks to Chuck Reynolds, working with Rich Gilmore on the inside, for the work on getting Black Creek and Streamside back. Thanks to Linda Lambert who worked on coordinating efforts, and Cody Sanders who kept me abreast of outside events. On the inside Alan Podolsky and Frances worked daily to keep life going as normal as possible. Teamwork paid off. Please tell your Board representatives thanks for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peg Sloan, President

### Board of Directors Meeting, December 15, 2013; 10:00 a.m. Lambert Residence - Dunraven Glade Road

*Submitted by: Joan Van Horn, Meeting Recording Secretary - For informational use, not yet approved.*

Attending: Peg Sloan, Linda Lambert, Kent Mills, Alan Podolsky, Chuck Reynolds, Cody Sanders, Frances Cunningham  
Also Attending: Mary Nolan, Duke Sumonia

The meeting was called to order, the agenda was adopted with additions, and the minutes of the previous meetings held in May and September 2013 were approved via email. Also approved previously were the Policies and increase in rates for Hobert Office Services.

#### REPORTS:

**Treasurer's report** – Written financial reports were submitted by Hobert Office Services for December 12, 2013 which showed a checking account balance of \$1,335.62 and money market balance of \$51,036.68. Sixty-six (66) assessments of varying amounts are outstanding. Financial reports were also submitted for September 11, 2013 and July 31, 2013.

**Roads** – Connell Construction will start road repair work on Streamside and Black Creek Drives on December 16th. This repair work will be financed by Larimer County as Black Creek is a public-dedicated road and the repair of Streamside Drive is necessary to access Black Creek Drive. The RLA may need to further repair the roads next spring. The culvert on Miller Fork Road where the creek crosses it needs replacing. Chuck Reynolds will obtain a bid and contact the Board via email for approval. Chuck also agreed to contact Larimer County about the hole hazard forming at the Retreat entrance.

**Architectural Committee** – No report since September. Several property owners will need to extend their building permits with Larimer County as the flood delayed construction.

**Environmental** – No new report.

**Website** – Lost pet notices can be posted on the website.

**Nominating Committee** – It was moved, seconded and carried that Frances Cunningham be appointed to the Board to fill the vacant position with the term ending July 2014. The President will contact people to serve on the Nominating Committee.

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**Rules Committee** – This committee is discontinued until needed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Bylaws** – The Bylaws were approved and have been recorded.

**Dry Hydrants** – The dry hydrant at the Miller Fork creek and road junction needs to be repaired. On Streamside, a platform will be constructed so that a portable pump can be positioned there during emergencies which will work better for that location than a dry hydrant.

**Miller Fork Road Gate** – The gate remains locked and property owners can obtain the combination on the website.

**Bulletin Board** – This item will be tabled until a suitable location is available.

**Lorenz vs. RLA** – The Colorado State Supreme Court denied Ms. Lorenz’s petition. Information regarding the lawsuit will be posted on the website and included in the newsletter.

**Newsletter** – Peg Sloan will organize the next newsletter.

**Attorney Retainer** – The retainer for Hindman-Sanchez will not be renewed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Trash Service** – Trash pickup service returned last week. Several property owners are meeting to clean up the trash at the end of Dunraven Glade Road. The Board agreed that the RLA should pay for the cleanup of trash accumulated at Black Creek and Streamside Drive junction after the flood. Special Assessment – The Board determined that a special assessment is not necessary at this time.

**Collection Letters/Executive Session** – The Board will meet in executive session immediately following this meeting to discuss collections of delinquent assessments.

**Water Permits** – Certain usage permits are due for renewal.

**Salvation Army Bell Ringers** – The Salvation Army is seeking volunteers to “man” their stations in Estes Park. This will be posted on the RLA website.

**Illegal Hunting in RLA Area** – Illegal hunters should be reported to the Larimer County Sheriff. Obtain the license number and vehicle description and submit to the Sheriff rather than approaching the vehicles.

**Board Meeting Dates** – The board meetings are scheduled as follows:

February 2, 2014 (Sunday) @ 10:00 am at Frances Cunningham’s residence

April 19, 2014 – Budget meeting (location and time not set)

June 14, 2014 @ 10:00 am (location not set)

**LANDOWNERS’ COMMENTS:**

Mary Nolan thanked those members who stayed in the Retreat following the flood and took care of their neighbors’ places, aided those people and pets in need, and took responsibility to get done what needed to be done.

Duke Sumonia requested clarification on the determination of who would be responsible for financing the repair work of Black Creek Drive and Streamside Drive.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.



As you check out the Retreat, walk the trails along Miller Fork. Graham Fowler, Mandy Gordon, Rich Gilmore and Pete Sinnott have fixed many of the crossings.

## **Do You Recycle?**

Having spent several hours picking up the trash left behind at the end of Dunraven Glade Road, it's sad to say many people don't. I would estimate a full 50% of all the rubbish we collected was recyclable, mostly consisting of plastic, tin, glass, and paper/cardboard. Some people even threw away their batteries, the very last thing you want to send to the dump!

As for the large CRT TV dumped there, it is illegal to put electronic waste in a Colorado landfill so that person was apparently too lazy or cheap to run it down to the recycling center and pay the \$25 to drop it off (most recycling is completely free.) Instead, it was left for someone else to take care of.

Recycling is ridiculously easy, people! There are two centers near us, Estes Transfer Station on Elm Street, and Loveland Recycling Center on Wilson (turn right at the first light in Loveland.) Loveland takes more items and costs less to drop off a bag of trash (\$1.75), but either station will serve depending on which is more convenient for you.

You will have to do some basic sorting. Both Estes and Loveland take plastic bottles, cans, aluminum, and milk cartons all in one container. Estes also combines their paper products, but Loveland sorts it by type. Loveland

also sorts cardboard from paperboard. Glass goes into a separate container and there's a place to leave metal objects. Loveland will accept small electronics for free, but TVs incur a cost depending on size. Batteries are left with the check-in clerk.

Many, many more things can be recycled: oil, books, wood, even concrete. Hazardous waste is accepted for free at the Larimer County landfill. Check out the restrictions on these pages:

Estes: [http://recycleestes.org/Recycling\\_Guide.php](http://recycleestes.org/Recycling_Guide.php)

Loveland: <http://www.cityofloveland.org/index.aspx?page=188>

Hazardous Waste: <http://www.larimer.org/solidwaste/haz.htm>

Landfills aren't cheap to operate nor do they have endless capacity. Some items are dangerous to dump and can leach chemicals into our aquifers (batteries, oil, and some plastics.) Other materials never break down (drinking bottles) and some are very destructive to mine (aluminum). Please recycle these things whenever you can. It matters!



*Thanks To The Trash Team (sans Stephanie Sinnott) - photo courtesy of Mary Nolan*

# RETREAT & GHA Pot Luck Dinner



5-8 pm (Sat), 8 Feb 2014  
American Legion of Estes Park

- No outside liquor, but there will be a bar for drinks and soda
- Please bring your own plates and silverware  
(plastic dinnerware will be available, if needed)

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*Our lives are returning to normal, however, our neighbors in the Village are still struggling. We have invited all of Glen Haven to our annual Potluck on February 8th. Mary Nolan will have 'A piece of the Glen Haven' consisting of a Town Hall shingle with its picture courtesy of Marsha Hobert. It can be your memento with a donation to help rebuild Glen Haven.*

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*Photos courtesy of Graham Fowler*



*In closing  
remember  
Shift Happens.*

*Thanks to All  
in making  
The Shift Home!*

**The RETREAT Landowners' Association**

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will be held on  
February 2, 2014 10 am  
Frances Cunningham's  
Residence**



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**Nominating**



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### Opening Note from Board of Directors

As I was going through the emails from the flood, I finally found this email I thought had accidentally deleted. This email which inspired me the most during our recovery was sent October 10, 2013 10:17 AM. Peg Sloan

"I hope this correspondence finds you in good health and spirits. My name is Mikel Hartness, I am a Medical Specialist with *Missouri Task Force-1*. I was one of the crew that stayed on your mountain on September 16th and 17th. I was on the 3 person team that you put in at the trail to Fisherman's Ln. I am sending you this, not as a member of the *Missouri Task Force*, but as a normal Joe. I just wanted to see how you and the rest of the wonderful residents of the Retreat are doing in the aftermath of the flooding. I also wanted to relay to you, the impact that your community has had on me personally. I considered myself to be a well rounded and resourceful individual, that could pretty much handle any situation that I am faced with. That self-assessment was before I was blessed with the opportunity to meet the people of Colorado, more specifically those that were directly devastated by the Flood of 2013. Never before have I met a more positive, determined, self-motivated and gracious group of individuals, as the residents of your community, that I personally had the privilege of assisting. I found that their resilience, their love of community and their mountain, bolstered my belief that there are still GREAT people in this world and I am better for having met them.

I also wanted to reiterate again, just how blessed you are to live where you do. I have been around the globe, yet I have never been to a more beautiful, peaceful...perfect piece of ground as the one you, your friends and neighbors get to stand on everyday. In closing, this note was to serve no purpose other than to say thank you for the opportunity to assist you and your community. I pray however, my next visit is just to enjoy what God placed there."

### Board of Directors Meeting, February 2, 2014; 10:00 a.m. Cunningham Residence - Copper Hill Road

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Attending: Peg Sloan, Frances Cunningham, Linda Lambert, Chuck Reynolds

Also Attending: Rich Gilmore, Amanda Gordon, Sandy Reynolds

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 (when a quorum was present), the agenda was adopted, and the minutes of the December 15, 2013 meeting were approved.

#### REPORTS:

**Treasurer's report** – Written financial reports were submitted by Hobert Office Services for January 31, 2014 which showed a checking account balance of \$2,572.14 and money market balance of \$43,038.72. Forty-nine assessments of varying amounts are outstanding. Some discrepancies were found on page 2 of the report which Peg will clarify with Hobert and report back to the Board.

**Roads report** – Chuck Reynolds reported that Black Creek Road and Streamside Drive have been rebuilt by Connell Construction with Larimer County funding. Miller Fork Road at the stream crossing needs further repair and culvert replacement which is estimated to cost approximately \$10,000 using local labor and road material. The current road crossing is narrower and drivers should be cautious. The dry hydrant will also have to be rebuilt. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Miller Fork Road restoration be approved provided it not exceed \$10,000. The project is planned for late spring.

**Architectural Control Committee** – New members have been added to the committee.

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**Environmental Committee** – no report.

**Website** – No report.

**Nominating** – Four positions on the Board may be available this next year.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Newsletter** – Volunteers are welcome to help with the newsletter.

**GHAVFD** – The Fire Department received three grants from the Northern Colorado Foundation/Bohemian Fund towards road repair, a generator, and fire truck. The new building is close to being paid off.

**Water Commission/Permit** – The report on the RLA's wells and water shares was updated with the State Water Commission.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Dumpster** – The private dumpster at the intersection of Streamside and Black Creek was used for flood debris removal by the RLA and the Board agreed that the RLA should be responsible for paying for one pick-up load.

**Barn Lock** – It was moved, seconded and carried that new locks and/or keys be installed on the barn for security reasons. Keys or combination will be available to the Road

Chairman, Rich Gilmore, and the RLA President or his/her designee.

**Assessment Notices** – It was agreed that future assessment invoices should note that the GHAVFD portion may be paid directly to the GHAVFD to ensure tax exempt status of the donation.

**Winter Potluck** – The potluck is scheduled for February 8<sup>th</sup> from 5pm-8pm at the American Legion in Estes Park. Fundraising items will be sold and banners of appreciation will be available for members to sign.

**Road Closure Sign** – Rich Gilmore reported that the "Road Closed" sign that was posted at the intersection of Black Creek Road and Streamside Drive is missing. Anyone having knowledge of the sign's whereabouts, please contact Rich.

#### **LANDOWNERS' COMMENTS:**

It was clarified that road maintenance this year will not include adding recycled asphalt to roads.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40am.

Note: Miscellaneous Expense on Income and Expense Statement was clarified and \$767.50 was moved to legal expenses.

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## **NON-OFFICIAL SECTION**

### **A Bit of Road History**

*by Peg Sloan and Dick Boggs with contributions by Dennis Bicknell and Ernie Conrad*

In life, we take many things for granted, until something goes wrong. Throughout history we, in the Retreat, have been very fortunate to have good roads. The Retreat began with the roads being completed with each filing. The first catastrophe was the Flood of '76 which washed out Black Creek, Fisherman's Lane and Streamside. Copper Hill and Dunraven Glade sustained significant damage. The damage cost approximately \$60,000 which did not include the entrance bridge and Dunraven Glade Road. The early Roads Chairman Wilf Howarth and President Ernie Conrad, along with the many volunteers, had a daunting task to return to normal. Funding at that time was supplied by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration. We have been extremely lucky the Forest Service and Larimer county stepped in to fix and maintain Dunraven.

Since that time we have been very fortunate. Al Matlock and Frank Horn continued after the flood. Reseeding projects, signage and returning to normal were the main objectives. In the Fall of 1981, Ray Stark took over as Roads Chair with Rock Tallman on his team. A grader was purchased in the Fall of '83 which greatly reduced the costs. Ray Tallman took over as chairman in 1985. Due to their diligence and care, the roads were taken for granted.

In the 90's Richard Weinmeister, Jim Boyd and Dice McKnight took great care of the roads. In 1994, Jim Boyd

took over as Road Maintenance Chairman. The transition to the next decade had John Barlow and Stephen Little move forward with the help of Kent Mills, Gordon Nuthall, Ron Spurlin and Ron Ellis. Gordon and Ron both served as Roads chairman. Al Cunningham quietly worked for years maintaining the roads and equipment for no compensation. After his passing in 2006 the "new" road grader was named Al in his honor.

Ralph Brethaur then became Road Chair and supervised the construction of the equipment building and coordinated the purchase of the current road grader. Ralph retired from the roads in May 2006, but not in time to miss the blizzard of '06, that dumped 44" of snow on the Retreat overnight. It left snow drifts as high as 5 feet leaving everyone snowed in for four days. After chains that fit the new road grader were acquired, Ralph along with Kitchen and Company and Fairbanks Excavating plowed the roads. Dick Boggs who became Road Chair in May 2006, along with Paul Howarth, plowed those RLA resident's driveways that needed to get medicine. Since the RLA's snowplow had a broken transmission, Dave Musick loaned his plow for this purpose.

In December of '05 Rich Gilmore was hired by Dick Boggs as the grader operator and later maintenance on all RLA equipment. A five-year road improvement plan was

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developed and over the next seven years Recycled Asphalt was applied to all major roads with the exception of one mile of Copper Hill. Other important events were the installation of three culverts to prevent erosion. In the same period a 3,000 gallon tanker truck, donated by the GHAVFD was adapted with a sprayer and replaced the inoperative old water truck. In addition, a newer and larger backhoe was purchased to replace the old backhoe which had become unsafe to drive or operate.

Chuck Reynolds took over in Jan 13, 2013 and coordinated improvements. Unfortunately some of the work done in June was destroyed a few months later from the Flood of 2013. Thanks to the work done by Chuck, Rich and the many volunteers, we are on the mend. In December, The Retreat was once again lucky when Larimer County stepped in two days prior to pay Connell Resources for the work on Streamside and Black Creek. On March 29th and 30th, Miller Fork Culvert was replaced. Once again the luck continued with Crossroads Ministries in Estes Park picking up the tab for the culvert. This money can now be used to do needed repairs on Streamside.

Please say Thank You to all who have served to keep our roads safe.

## CROSSROADS

Our Thanks to Crossroads Ministries for helping members during the Flood of 2013. Their assistance has been vital to the recovery of the Estes Valley area. They continued their aid to the Retreat by paying for the culvert that was replaced on Miller Fork trailhead March 29th and 30th.

We can best help Crossroads by volunteering and assisting them with their big fundraiser, Crossroads Annual Spring Sale at the Fairgrounds in Barn W on May 9-10. If you have any donations including good furniture (pick up by arrangement) let them know.

Additional information can be found at their website <http://crossroadsministryofep.org/>

To send a check to Crossroads, use the following address:  
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Retreat Landowners Association

## After the Flood - Our Trees

The flood was devastating to our community, but many people have worked together to make it better. There has been much grief expressed about the loss of so many of our beautiful trees. There could be problems with trees that are still standing.

There are several kinds of injuries to our trees due to the flood. Trees have three types of roots: the root plate, the tree transport and absorbing roots and the total root spread. When the soil is washed away from the root plate, the tree becomes susceptible to winds. When the soil is washed away from the transport/absorbing zone, the tree may be unable to utilize nutrients, oxygen and water and a slow decline of the tree may start.

Mechanical damage to the bark of trees down to the wood stops the nutrient flow in the area of damage. If the damage to the bark is less than ¼ of the way around the trunk, the damage is considered to be minor. If the damage is more than ½ of the way around the trunk, the tree may not immediately die but the future of the tree is questionable.

Another problem that is seldom addressed is the amount of soil, silt and debris that is piled up against the trunks of the trees. The soil and debris can potentially increase moisture levels on the trunk which can start decay. Insects and diseases are more likely to occur. The additional soil can also starve the transport/absorbing roots and cause a slow decline of the tree.

So what should be done for our trees?

While the best that we can do for trees that have had most of the soil washed away is to consider which ones are “danger” trees and remove them.

When quite a bit of bark has been removed by the mechanical action of the water, the site of the tree must be considered before removing it. If not in a dangerous area, the tree could still live for some period of time.

The trees that we can most likely still save at this time are those with debris around the bottom of the trunk. The debris can be carefully removed and the trunk of the tree examined for damage. The excess soil/silt/sand should be raked a good distance away from the tree, taking care not to leave more than 2 additional inches of this soil above the natural ground level.

Some of the nicest trees still standing in our community have debris around them. This can and should be remedied before spring really sets in.

For additional information, please contact Peggy Burch or Peg Sloan.



Bark removed about 50%.  
Not a danger tree.

## Miller Fork Culvert Replacement

On the last weekend in March, Miller Fork Road was closed for a couple of days as Rich Gilmore and Matt Luce replaced the culvert at the Miller Fork Creek crossing. The old culvert was damaged by the flood and didn't have the capacity to handle the elevated waters; the new culvert is bigger and slightly longer. We also took the opportunity to dig out the pool that feeds the dry hydrant. Perhaps the most difficult part of the entire operation was unearthing the phone lines in the frozen ground. A handful of volunteers assisted with the replacement: Chuck Reynolds, Peter Sinnott, Peg Sloan, John Cooper, and Mandy Gordon. Additional photos can be found on our website.



### Volunteers Wanted

- Board Openings
- Nominating Committee Chairman
- Newsletter Chairman

Contact Peg Sloan if you are interested.



### Save the Date - July 19, 2014

The Retreat Landowners Association Annual Meeting is on July 19, 2014 at the Rocky Mountain Park Inn. Check in starts at 12:00 pm.

The Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department is holding their Pancake Breakfast on July 19, 2014.

# Environmental Report

by Peggy Burch

## Trees

Recently, I attended a Master Gardener training class presented by Bill Ciesla, a forest health specialist and forest entomologist as well as a long time Master Gardener. He presented the 2013 Report on the Health of Colorado's Forests. Information that is pertinent to trees in our area follows.

First drought and then excessive moisture, high winds, mild winter temperatures and higher numbers of overwintering beetle larvae have all had an effect of the health of our trees

**Mountain pine beetle** is transitioning from the higher altitude lodgepole pines to the ponderosa pines. The number of pines killed in 2013 is at the lowest point since 1999. But Larimer County had the greatest loss of pine trees of any Colorado county in 2013. As the suitable pines decline in numbers, so are the numbers of mountain pine beetles (mpb) declining. Unfortunately, mpb will still be active north from I-70 to Long Draw reservoir and along the Front Range to RMNP. It is advised that we take preventative measures for our trees prior to June of this year. Dead trees that were attacked last year should be hauled off.

**Spruce beetles** are attacking all forms of spruce trees. The damage is very similar to mpb but the life cycle of the spruce beetle is two years and it takes two years for the spruce to die. The trees develop a sickly-yellow appearance. The same insecticide is used for spruce beetle as is used for mpb. It was suggested that both types of trees could be treated with insecticide at the same time this year. There is a large spruce forest further west of our area that has been decimated by spruce beetle. The spruce beetle was Colorado's most damaging pest in 2013.

Many other insects are damaging to our evergreens. **Ips beetle** starts at the top of the spruce trees. The top dies and each year the beetle moves further down the tree, eventually killing it.

**Pine Needle Scale** has become a problem around Red Feather on spruce trees. Normally this is not a big problem but it has caused top thinning on spruce in that area. Estes Park also experienced large number of scale on spruce trees, as well as pines and fir.

It has been noted that many ponderosa pines have faded and died over the period of a couple of years. No causative factor has been found- no disease, no insects, and no fungus. It was finally decided that the previous years of drought have caused this to happen. Some of this has been noted in The Retreat.

**Other pests.** Army cutworms, in greater than usual numbers, are destroying early crops in eastern Colorado. So what does this have to do with us? These caterpillars pupate and become miller moths and then move towards the mountains. There will be a bumper crop of these annoying pests. They don't do any harm – just drive us crazy.

## Weeds

Due to the fact that we were all out of our homes during the seed-forming period time, the weeds will be greater in number than usual. The noxious and invasive Hoary Alyssum, Canada and Musk thistles, cheatgrass and Diffuse Knapweed will be trying to take over our area. Also the obnoxious mullein and Russian thistle will become a real nuisance. Get rid of them all. The weed disposal site by the Transfer station is now open and will accept weeds in paper bags on Fridays, from 8 in the morning until 4 in the afternoon.

The annual Weed Roundup will be held on July 26th. Take your weeds in paper bags, enjoy the exhibits and contests and talk to the experts.

**Last but not least and surely the best**, we are certain to have a bumper crop of wildflowers this year (barring any sudden freezes, of course.) Many of the wildflower plants will try and make up for last year by producing more flowers than usual.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Peggy Burch 577-1912 Environmental Committee

## Dog Complaints

*There have been some complaints about dogs in the Retreat. Just a reminder:*

### ARTICLE IV. CONTROL OF ANIMALS Sec. 6-76. Dogs at large prohibited.

*At large* means not physically controlled by a human being by means of a leash or lead held by the human being, or not at all times accompanied by a person and does not at all times immediately respond to sound, mechanical, electrical or other command of its accompanying person. Exceptions are: a dog while actually working livestock, locating or retrieving wild game in season for a licensed hunter, assisting law enforcement officers or while actually being trained for any of these specifically enumerated pursuits; and an animal that is within the confines of the real property of its owner or keeper or other real property that the owner or keeper has permission to use or is within a motor vehicle (excluding an unleashed animal in an open bed of a truck).

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