

**2013 RLA Annual Meeting
Road Committee Report
Chuck Reynolds - Chair**

The primary objective of the road maintenance program is to provide safe driving conditions on the Retreat roads. This includes snowplowing and grading to reduce icy patches, eroded ruts, and washboard conditions. This is especially important on the roads with steep grades, sharp curves, and dangerous drop-offs.

When the roadbase material has washed away to the point where grading exposes large rocks, it is necessary to add material to get a smooth surface. Recycled asphalt is a more cost effective type of material because it resists erosion better than standard roadbase. Grading costs are then reduced because less grading is needed.

The road work done in early June included:

0.2 mile of upper Streamside Dr
0.3 mile of lower Copper Hill Rd
0.3 mile of lower Streamside Dr
0.2 mile of Coyote Ct

This total of one mile of material (870 tons) was graded, watered, and compacted in just two and a half days. With nine Retreat volunteers, the road work was accomplished faster than ever before.

The nine who put in a total of 86 hours of labor included:

Mike Frederick
Allan Gooch
Peg Sloan
Mandy Gordon
Bruce Brown
Stephanie Sinnott
Francis Cunningham
Howard Pomranka
Chuck Reynolds

The material cost was \$17,123, but since there was no roadwork done last year and there is no material cost budgeted for next year, the average over three years is actually less than the annual cost spent in past years.

Many thanks to all the volunteers for accomplishing the work in such a speedy manner. Please drive carefully and safely on all of our Retreat roads.