

THE Shire

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Glenshire/Devonshire Residents Association Magazine



FEATURE ARTICLE | By Dan Warren, General Manager

Glenshire Trails

Funds are needed to complete the Lake Trail
AND The Legacy Trail is underway!

Glenshire Lake Trail

Glenshire Lake Trail gets closer to completion every year. Over the last two years, with the help of hard working Eagle Scouts Ben Ketron, Joe Ketron and Andrew Miller, more trail improvements are done! The Association staff will continue fall maintenance and add more and larger drainage under the trail. Staff, time and resources for the Lake Trail work are limited. We are always looking for volunteers to help out. If you are interested, please contact the Association offices to help with trail and lake upcoming projects. Our final big project is the boardwalk over the creek flowing

out of the Lake. Many people have donated toward "the end of the trail". Because we are so very close to completion, we are asking for a few more people to contribute a tax deductible donation to finish this last link. We need \$10,000 to finish up the boardwalk. GDRA will be seeking a grant to match donations, with a vision of attaining adequate funds to complete the Glenshire Lake Trail in 2014! Pick up donation forms and envelopes 8:30 - 5:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse lobby, or mail in your donation made payable to GDRA, 15726 Glenshire Drive, Truckee, CA 96161.

Legacy Trail

We are happy to see the final section of the Truckee River Legacy Trail start construction near the west entrance to Glenshire. At the ground breaking ceremony the Town graciously thanked the GDRA Board of Directors for helping secure TSSA funding for this project. Without this the Town may not have received the \$2.9 grant from the state and the project may not have been completed. This link will enhance quality of life in Glenshire. Studies report that property values increase with improvements such as this. If all goes well we may be walking, pushing, wheeling, and riding by late next fall.

It is going to be a good winter so lets make the best of it!



Deer In The Glenshire Region

Article Contributed by Concerned Citizens

The Glenshire region serves a large part of the traditional deer migration corridor used by the Verdi Sub-unit of the Loyalton-Truckee Mule Deer Herd for winter and summer migration. Driving through this forested region, you would assume there were deer everywhere, but in fact, only a single herd remains and their numbers are declining. Protecting habitat and limiting threats to this herd, especially along the migration corridor, is considered critical by many biologists. The protected 1,462 acre Waddle Ranch

area in Martis Valley is largely where the Verdi deer Sub-unit fawns. Without protection of the eastern Truckee/ Nevada County migrations corridor, the herd will have difficulty reaching the Truckee River, their fawning grounds and the rest of the migrations route that enables them to move to lower elevations in the fall and winter.

It is necessary to maintain winter ranges as well as the spring/summer ranges and to limit encroaching roads, traffic,

and human activities such as ATV's, dirt-bikes, uncontrolled dogs, etc. during fawning times. Prime factors in the decline of deer are: animal-vehicle collisions and fawns being separated from their mothers.

Deer are very active in our region Spring through Fall. They arrive in April/May and start migrating back to their wintering grounds October/ November/December when winter weather is mild. Heavy deer traffic has been observed on Hirschdale Road, Highway 80 and portions of Glenshire Drive from Hirschdale to Somerset and from Airport Flats to the West Glenshire entrance sign. We can all help in efforts to preserve this herd by being respectful and mindful of their space and limit threatening activities, as well as driving carefully and watching for deer on the roadways. These efforts help with increasing the safety of ourselves and other wildlife.



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Pool Pass Policy

It is time to start planning for next summer even as we start into another winter. While most people are making plans for defensible space on their properties, there are other issues to address. The GDRA Board of Directors has been going over next year's budget and noted that it has been seven years since the last annual assessments increase. The cost of doing business for the Association has increased by about 18% during this same time period. GDRA Board and Staff work every year to cut cost and streamline expenses to

meet a balanced budget goal, rather than an annual increase in assessments to equal the cost of living. After a lot of analysis, and a lot of comments from residents, the board looked at other revenue sources and found that most Associations charge for facility use such as a pool. At the Regular GDRA Board meeting held on August 14, 2013 the Board voted to adopt a new pass policy that will include an annual facility pass fee. For 2014 the fee is \$10 for each pass purchased or renewed by May 15, 2014. Passes purchased after that will be \$20 each. The policy also includes the ability for residents to purchase one of the five passes for a non-resident or non-family member for \$50 for the season. For the cost of going to a movie you can enjoy a summer of fun! While it is not a perfect solution, we hope that this plan will offset some expenses required to run the pool.

The entire policy will be included in our year end mailing this November, or stop by the office and pick up a copy.



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BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING SCHEDULE

6:30pm at the Glenshire Clubhouse
15726 Glenshire Drive

October 2, 2013
November 13, 2013
January 8, 2014
March 12, 2014
April 9, 2014
May 14, 2014

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As fall approaches bears have the need to add extra fat reserves and may have more aggressive foraging behaviors. It is our responsibility to keep our homes from being a bear feeding site.

Wild animals naturally fear people, so as long as we keep our distance, bears will generally not bother us. When bears have easy access to human food sources, including trash, it has been observed that their behavior changes. In these cases, bears are no longer cautious and fearful around people, and this may result in property damage and even threaten human safety.

FACTS ABOUT LOCAL BEARS

Black bears are the only species of bear in California. They range in color from blond to black with brown as the most common color. Black bears climb trees, swim, and run up to 35 miles per hour,

so never run from a bear! As winter approaches, bears forage for food up to 20 hours per day, storing as much fat as possible to hibernate during the winter months. Bears hibernate less if food, such as garbage, is available. Males are much larger than females and weigh up to 500 pounds; the average male weighs 300 pounds. A typical diet for a wild bear consists of berries, plants, nuts, roots, honey, honeycomb, insects, insect larvae, carrion and small mammals.

Pay attention to the simple steps that follow to protect local bears and other wildlife from a potentially deadly encounter. Remember, we must all act responsibly in bear country to keep the bears alive and wild.

These facts are BLACK BEAR specific (DO NOT use for Grizzlies or Mountain Lions).

In Town

- Keep in mind that bears and other animals are attracted to anything edible or smelly.
- Utilize public trash receptacles and dumpsters at local parks and recreational facilities. Pay special attention when securing receptacle or dumpster lids.
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- Stow all edible or smelly products, including food, suntan lotion, insect repellent, soap, toothpaste and candles properly. Keep these products inside your home or secured in bear lockers while camping.

Camping

- Remember; NEVER keep food in your tent.
- Keep a clean camp. Immediately clean up after meals, and store food and garbage, as outlined above.
- Keep barbecue grills away from tents.
- When backpacking, remember that if you pack it in, then you must pack it out. Be prepared to use a bear-sling to hoist food high up on a tree limb. In alpine conditions, use a bear canister for all food and toiletries.

At Home or Work

- Do not run. Assert your dominance by standing tall and making loud noises to scare the bear away.
- Always place trash and recycling at your curb after 5am on your collection day.
- When property shares a dumpster for trash and recycling, or if the property is commercial, make sure to close, latch and lock the dumpster lid. Never leave dumpster lids open and unsecured.
- Periodically disinfect trash containers to remove odors.
- Always remove the key from a bear canister after the container is properly secured.
- Harvest fruit trees as soon as soon as fruit is ripe. Promptly collect fruit that falls to the ground.
- Keep bird feeders off decks and inaccessible to bears.
- Keep barbecue grills clean.
- Securely block access to potential

hibernation sites, such as crawl spaces under decks and buildings.

- Keep doors and windows closed and locked when you are away from the property.

Anywhere

- Allow the bear free clearance to get away.
- Never get between a mother bear and her cubs.
- Slowly walk away from any bear and make loud noises.
- Although attacks are very rare, if you are attacked, **fight back aggressively!** Do not roll up in a ball and play dead.

In the Woods

- Do not run.
- Make eye contact, and don't stare.
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Where: Glenshire Clubhouse

**Date and time suggestions are welcome.*

Glenshire Lake

Recreational activities in or on the lake, such as swimming, ice-skating or other similar activities are not endorsed or recommended by the Association. The Association assumes no responsibility for any such use. Please enjoy the beauty, don't litter, control and pick up after your pets.



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SOS Glenshire

Interested in preserving open space in your community? SOS (Saving Open Space) Glenshire is a local group partnered with Mountain Area Preservation, putting efforts toward preserving open space and the quality of life that we now enjoy. The currently proposed 185-acre parcel Canyon Springs development is at the forefront. With the plan heading toward the approval process, now is the time to get involved. SOSG may be contacted at www.sosglenshire.org

Lake Trail Fund Raising Campaign

We are about \$10,000 in funding away from completing the last section! If you haven't made a donation to the Lake Trail yet, please take a minute and send it to the Glenshire Lake Trail Project, in care of the Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation, P.O. Box 366, Truckee, CA 96161. Stop by the clubhouse and view the color rendition of the lake and trail with boardwalk, bridge, signage and landscaping. Better yet, take a quick stroll along the sections that have been completed.

Play Date Preschool & School Age Program

This program offers our community before and after-school childcare at the Clubhouse. It's for children from Kindergarten to fifth grade, 7:00 to 8:45 am and 1:30 to 5:30 pm. Please call 530.582.0441 to reach Darlene Wilson, Owner/Director.

Do You Have Old Electronics?

Free drop off of electronics at the Dump on all days the dump is open.

New Paint? Replacing Your Roof?

New Siding?

CC&R 5.01 (a)(b)(c) allows the Design Committee or the General Manager to make a summary approval of any alteration of buildings, walls, decks, fences, and exterior structure alterations. No money, no application, just no bright purple houses with polished aluminum roofs please. Please stop by the office and show us the changes to prevent compliance issues down the road.

Clubhouse Dumpster

If you have extra garbage give us a call to see if we have room in our dumpster. Please do not dump your personal trash without permission. If we have room, we don't mind helping, and please ask! The best day is Wednesday.



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Stay Informed

Keep up on what is happening in Glenshire and Devonshire. Give us your email address so we may send information and board agendas affecting our community. Find out before events happen! Email us at glenshire1@sbcglobal.net and ask to be put on the news and information list.

Please note that unless requested or required by law, email addresses will not be given to any outside vendors. They will be used exclusively by GDRA to provide information pertaining to events and businesses related to the Glenshire Devonshire Community. Your email address on this confidential list may be removed by request. www.Glenshiredevonshire.com



Advanced Dog Training Classes

These advanced classes are designed for people who have participated in a reward-based puppy or basic dog training class program and are ready take their dog or puppy to the next level of training. The emphasis of this class will be on strengthening their focus on their person around distractions, as well as teaching them to respond at a distance. Continuing training and socialization of your dog will help transform them into the kind of companion all of us love to have around!

Instructor, Jeanie Collins Duffield is a Certified Dog Trainer and Canine Behavior Consultant; she began her company, BEYOND OBEDIENCE, a puppy and dog behavior consulting and training business, in 1980. Jeanie can be reached at 530.400.DOGS (3647), Jeanie@beyondobedience.com or www.beyondobedience.com.

Other Info

Remember that Thursday is garbage day. Please keep your garbage cans secured and your dogs confined. It's a good idea to put your garbage out in the morning, not the night before. Remember that CC&R 6.07 states garbage containers need to be stored in an area not visible by others. Let's try to keep the garbage off of our streets and out of the open space.


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and Board have had been involved with the Town of Truckee on this project and are happy with their progress. The Town expects phase one to be completed by October 15th. The price of the project was approximately \$2.5M, mostly funded through Measure V road and maintenance fund. The next phases will include safety improvements to the Glenshire and Highland intersection, which is mostly funded by a grant from the Highway Safety Improvement Program.

Remember, new pavement or old, Glenshire Drive maximum speed limit is 45mph, with a recommended speed of 30mph in the “s” curve. People find it easy to drive 55mph or faster and a lot of vehicles and wildlife over the years have been impacted as a result of speed related accidents.

Glenshire Drive Bike Lane Project Phase 1 Description:

Reconstruct and widen Glenshire Drive between Highland Avenue and Berkshire Circle to accommodate bike lanes, implement storm water improvements, control erosion, and rehabilitate structural section of roadway.

Contractor: Sierra Nevada Construction

Construction: June 2013 – October 2013

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The River Fair will be from 1-4pm at Granite Flat Campground. This community event is presented in partnership with Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships and will feature fun environmental activities for kids and adults, and the annual fish release at 3pm. Food is available for purchase from Red Truck. Everyone is invited to the fair even if you are not involved in restoration projects.

To participate in this year's restoration projects, visit TruckeeRiverWC.org or call 530.550.8760, x1. Deadline for registration is Friday, October 11, 2013.

Thank you to this year's funders; donors to the Truckee River Watershed Council, Vail Resorts Echo, and the Truckee Donner Chamber of Commerce.

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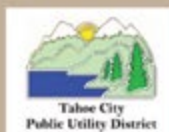
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www.capradio.org/support/vehicledonation/default.aspx

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A Few Lines Of Wisdom

One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.

Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.

Never miss a good chance to shut up.

If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.

Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.

After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know why I look this way, after all I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved.

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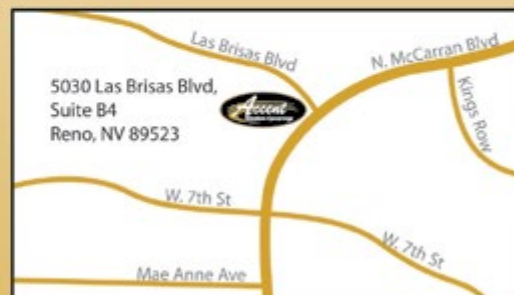
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