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# GLENSHIRE DEVONSHIRE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## GDRA 2017 Budget

Budget Season is upon us and the Glenshire Devonshire Board of Directors has the important task of budgeting for the 2017 year. This is an important time for the community to get involved. Yes, getting involved with a budget can be like going to the dentist for a root canal, but afterwards you always feel better if you go.

Many topics will be talked about including how the association's money is spent, how much money is coming in, and if we need to raise dues to make it all balance. If you are interested in any of these topics and others including a potential dues increase in 2017 then now is the time to get involved.

The August 10, 2016 GDRA board meeting will be the first step and probably the most important to help find direction. I encourage you to attend and provide feedback at that meeting.

Our community survey is another important part of the budget process with the community giving feedback on where it thinks money should be spent and what amenities are important, adding amenities the association is lacking or eliminating those that might not be of value.



## Pool Upgrade

For those who haven't been to the newly upgraded pool facility you are missing out on a great summer. More people than ever are enjoying the new facility and have been leaving with smiles on their faces. We have seen a sharp increase in the number of adults and seniors who have been taking advantage of our increased lap swimming capacity and using the pool for a great low impact way to exercise.

Many potential new home buyers have been coming by to tour the facility and see it as strong reason to put Glenshire at the top of the places to buy a house. The benefits are resonating strongly through the community, come down to the pool and put a smile on your face.



## Pickle Ball In The Shire?

Pickleball is a court sport played on a badminton-sized court with the net lowered to 34 inches at the center. It is played with a perforated plastic ball similar to a whiffle ball and composite or wooden paddles about twice the size of ping-pong paddles. It can be played indoors or outdoors and is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. In addition, the game has developed a passionate following due to its friendly, social nature, and its multi-generational appeal.

### The Basics—Pickle Ball is...

A fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong.

Played both indoors or outdoors on a badminton-sized court and a slightly modified tennis net.

Played with a paddle and a plastic ball.

Why do we mention Pickleball in the Shire? As one of the fastest growing sports in America the Association is considering turning one of the two tennis courts into two Pickleball courts to create a diversity in amenities provided and to meet what seems to be a future demand. Please let us know your thoughts on this up and coming sport.

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

6pm at the Glenshire Clubhouse  
15726 Glenshire Drive

August 10, 2016

September 24, 2016  
(annual meeting 10am)

September 28, 2016

October 12, 2016

November 9, 2016

## DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Design Review Committee (DRC) meets  
the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month  
at 7am. DRC meetings will be canceled  
if no items are on the agenda 10 days in  
advance of the meeting.

# NOTE FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Vision + Mission + Guiding Principles

In this issue we'd like to take this opportunity to provide information on Focus Area #1 of the 2016-2018 Board Focus Areas.

### Focus Area #1 - Foster a Connected Community.

Our first goal to foster a connected community is to understand who we serve and what their priorities are to drive Association plans. To meet this goal we plan on sending a survey out to all members at least once a year. These surveys will tell us what people are thinking and any suggestions they may have. We also plan on conducting a community study that will provide information on demographic, lifestyle information, etc. The information provided could be used to help with more ideas on how to connect our community.

Our second goal is to foster community connections. To meet this goal one consideration is hosting a summer barbeque for the members of our community. We also plan on expanding the Association's communications program by continuing with


our Facebook page, and adding more classes so that people can meet each other, form relationships and know their neighbors.

We will also be improving our enforcement communications by updating our standard enforcement letter to include friendlier language. We know that everyone would like his or her neighborhood to look nice and well kept, but sometimes life can keep us really busy. We realize that a friendly reminder letter that something needs to be taken care of works towards a better response. We also plan on aligning with how the Board and Staff work with members to resolve issues when they contact us and/or attend meetings. We want you to know we are here for you. Whatever we can do to resolve an issue quickly, efficiently and in the best way is something we will strive to do more.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!

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# PERSPECTIVES

## Speak Your Peace—The Civility Project

**“Three things in human life are important: The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. And the third is to be kind.” —Henry James**

The best way to determine what a community wants is to listen to what its people have to say. This is a fundamental principle of democracy. Disagreements can lead to healthy debate, which brings new information and ideas to light.

When a particular issue strikes at the fundamental beliefs of a group or individual, the debate can be especially fierce. In these situations, it becomes more important than ever to practice civility. The purpose of the Speak Your Peace Civility Project is to urge the citizens of the Glenshire/Devonshire area to communicate in a more respectful and effective way. This is not a campaign to end disagreements. It is a campaign to improve public discourse by simply reminding ourselves of the very basic principles of respect.

By elevating our level of communication and avoiding personal attacks and general stubbornness, we can avoid unhealthy debate. This will lead to a more effective democracy, and help maintain our



sense of community by increasing civic participation

We are not just targeting those who are uncivil, but those who allow uncivilized behavior to happen. Our key message is to promote nine simple tools for practicing civility, taken from P. M. Forni's book *Choosing Civility*.

**Pay Attention.** Be aware and attend to the world and the people around you.

**Listen.** Focus on others in order to better understand their points of view.

**Be Inclusive.** Welcome all groups of citizens working for the greater good of the community.

**Don't Gossip.** And don't accept when others choose to do so.

**Show Respect.** Honor other people and their opinions, especially in the midst of a disagreement.

**Be Agreeable.** Look for opportunities to agree; don't contradict just to do so.

**Apologize.** Be sincere and repair damaged relationships.

**Give Constructive Criticism.** When disagreeing, stick to the issues and don't make a personal attack.

**Take Responsibility.** Don't shift responsibility and blame onto others; share disagreements publicly.

The Glenshire Devonshire Resident's Association Board of Directors passed resolution 01-0613-2016 on June 13, 2016 accepting ten tools of civility.

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ABOVE: Mack, Sheri and Allie McDaniel and new puppy Jadzia. INSET: Casey, Sheri and Mack McDaniel.

## GLENSHIRE GENERAL STORE

For the past two years, the Glenshire General Store has been owned and operated by Sheri and Mack McDaniel. Before owning the store, the McDaniels owned a distributing business, which serviced convenience stores in Northern California and Nevada for almost 20 years. Sheri and Mack moved to Glenshire 22 years ago, during this time, Sheri and Mack raised many German Shepherds in addition to their two children, Casey and Allie, who both currently work at the store.

The distributing business gave the McDaniels much of the needed experience to run the store smoothly and efficiently. However, their additional experience in the health food industry has had the effect of bringing in many organic and eco friendly products on the shelves of the store. While living in the San Fernando Valley, Sheri worked at a health food store called Mrs. Gooch's for many years. It was at this store that Sheri and Mack first met.

The McDaniels have used their previous experiences to supply the Glenshire area with a store stocked with all of their grocery needs as well as provide healthy, organic, and environmental friendly options. They try hard to accommodate and service the needs of their customers. They love to take in suggestions or special requests. Stop by to get some groceries, a coffee, or a fresh sandwich from the deli and say hi!



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## River-Friendly Landscaping Rebates Up To \$1,000 Available

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River-Friendly Landscaping improves water quality by assisting residential property owners in voluntarily reducing or preventing soil erosion. It covers older and established neighborhoods in the Truckee River watershed within the Town of Truckee, Placer County, Nevada County, and within other related counties in California. This program is voluntary. We provide free site evaluations, site plans and assistance for homeowners. To join in the effort, simply call 530.550.8760, ext. 7 and or sign up online at [www.truckeeriverwc.org/river-friendly-landscaping/rfl-signup](http://www.truckeeriverwc.org/river-friendly-landscaping/rfl-signup). We will arrange to meet with homeowners and provide a free site evaluation.

As an added incentive, eligible homeowners can receive a rebate intended to reimburse costs for labor and material costs (until all rebate funds are exhausted).



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### How are we doing?

River-Friendly Landscaping has been in place since 2009. Here is an update on our work with homeowners to prevent sediment pollution:

- 1000+ participants have requested site evaluations
- 650 site evaluations have been completed
- 400 recommended measures implemented; that's 100 tons of sediment we're preventing from reaching area streams and rivers each year!
- Over \$80,000 in rebates awarded to date
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## BRIGHTER DOES NOT MEAN SAFER

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A 2015 study published in the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health found that streetlights don't prevent accidents or crime, but do cost a lot of money. The researchers looked at data on road traffic collisions and crime in 62 local authorities in England and Wales and found that lighting had no effect, whether authorities

had turned them off completely, dimmed them, turned them off at certain hours, or substituted low-power LED lamps.

Outdoor lighting is intended to enhance safety and security at night, but too much lighting can actually have the opposite effect. Visibility should always be the goal. Glare from bright, unshielded lights actually decreases safety because it shines into our eyes and constricts our pupils. This can not only be blinding, it also makes it more difficult for our eyes to adjust to low-light conditions. After all, when you use a flashlight do you point it into your eyes? Think smart lighting, not just lighting.

According to a 2011 study of London street lighting and crime, there is no good evidence that increased lighting reduces total crime." A 1997 National Institute of Justice study concluded, "We can have very little confidence that improved lighting prevents crime."

The truth is bad outdoor lighting can decrease safety by making victims and property easier to see. A Chicago Alley Lighting Project showed a correlation between brightly lit alleyways and increased crime.

Glare from bright, unshielded lights actually decreases safety. Some crimes like vandalism and graffiti actually thrive on bad night lighting.

According to a 2012 report of the American Medical Association, "Glare from nighttime lighting can create hazards ranging from discomfort to frank visual disability."

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# WILDLIFE & CRITTERS



## Don't Embarrass Your Pet

Dealing with pet waste is one of those topics that every pet owner must deal with but no one likes to talk about. The fact is that the majority of community and neighborhood pet problems result from the inappropriate handling of pet waste. In addition, pet waste is the greatest source of potential health risk for your pet and your family. This article will highlight the five most important reasons to properly dispose of pet waste.

### 1. Disease Control

There are several very common diseases that can be transmitted to dogs, cats and people through feces. These include Giardia, roundworms, hookworms, Salmonella, and E.coli. Did you know

a heavily infected puppy could pass over a million roundworm eggs everyday? In addition, your dog can spread or contract parvovirus or coronavirus through infected feces. All of these diseases are very serious and common and every effort should be made by pet owners to keep their pets and family away from potentially infected feces.

### 2. Make the Area more Usable

Nobody likes to walk through an area that is hiding "doggie land mines." It's not right to have people give up a beautiful walk through the Shire because they don't want to step any of those "doggie land mines".

### 3. Fly Control

Flies will consume and lay eggs in feces. These same flies will then come into your house and then spread disease as they pause on your counter and food. Need we say more about keeping feces cleaned up to prevent this cycle?

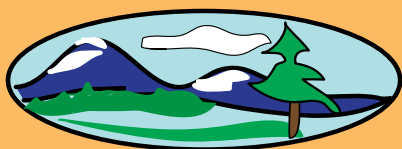


### 4. Responsible Pet Ownership

Your responsibility to clean up after your pet doesn't end when your dog leaves your yard. There are probably fewer things that aggravate neighbors more than a dog that 'goes' in their yard. Pet owners need to clean up after their pet every time they go to the bathroom. Period. No exceptions. If you are walking in the woods and your dog goes, then bury it. If you are in the neighborhood, pick it up with a plastic bag. Please don't make your responsibility somebody else's problem.

### 5. Preventing Stool Eating

While most dog owners think this doesn't apply to them or their dog, the shocking truth is that most dogs will engage in this unsavory practice at some point in their life. Dogs evolved as carnivore/scavengers and feces were considered fair game in lean times. To prevent this occasional indiscretion from becoming a life-long habit, clean up feces as soon as possible.



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# POLLINATOR GARDEN by Dan Warren

On June 27th a group led by Lily Elliott with her mom Allison, Will Richardson from the Tahoe Institute of Natural Science and help from Eric Larson of the Villager Nursery spent an afternoon and planted a pollinator garden next to the ADA ramp at the Glenshire Clubhouse. We would like to thank Truckee Rotary for funding and realizing the importance for providing a habitat to help keep pollinators alive.

Serendipity has always been a word that I have had a hard time finding time for use. In this case of fortunate happenstance I had an area of disturbed ground between the Clubhouse and the entrance to the pool that needed some landscaping. I received a pleasant surprise when I was contacted by Allison and Lily who were looking for a place to put in a pollinator garden. Having added expertise from Will and Eric was a great bonus.

Pollinators are responsible for 1 out of 3 bites of food we take each day, and yet pollinators are at critical point in their own survival. Many reasons contribute to their recent decline. We know for certain, however, that more nectar and pollen sources provided by more flowering plants and trees will help improve their health and numbers. Increasing the number of pollinator-friendly gardens and landscapes will help revive the health of bees, butterflies, birds, bats and other pollinators across the country.

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- Orange Helenium
- Perennial
- Zagreb
- Wooly sunflower
- Carrot
- Cilantro
- Alpine strawberry
- Lovage
- narrowleaf onion
- Helenium hoopes
- Poppy
- Mountain pride
- Mountain strawberry
- Sulphur-flower buckwheat
- Asclepias fascicularis
- Showy milkweed
- Red columbine
- Whorled buckwheat
- Nodding onion
- Blue fortune
- Erigeron Peregrinus Subalpine Fleabane
- Allium campanulatum Dusky onion
- Yellow wonder
- Mountain sneezeweed
- Swamp onion
- Harsh indian paintbrush
- Aster alpinus mix
- Western snakeroot
- Rocky mountain
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- Abbey road
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- Cow parsnip
- Sierra pink current
- Centhranus
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- Golden current
- Gallery blue
- Sargent crabapple
- Whorled buckwheat
- Orange honeysuckle
- Elk clover
- Eriogonum ursinum
- Streambank arnica
- Northern buckwheat
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- Western service berry
- Rock clematis
- White sagebrush
- Rangers buttons
- Little lemon



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# BULLETIN BOARD

## NEWS, MESSAGES, NOTICES

### Stay Informed

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Please note that unless you request or required by law e-mail addresses will not be given out to anyone and will only be used by GDRA to provide information pertaining to events and business related to the Glenshire Devonshire Community. You may be taken off this confidential list by request.

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### 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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**DATES: Saturdays, August 13, August 27, September 3, and September 17**

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program includes swimming at the Clubhouse pool on M, W, and F and off-site field trips T, TH. Please call 530.582.0441 to reach Darlene Wilson, Owner/Director.

### 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 the training and socialization of the dog will help to 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.

### Lake Trail Fund Raising Campaign

A huge thanks to everyone who has donated towards the lake trail! 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. Many upgrades and drainage revisions are being planned. Contact the GDRA offices to be on the Lake Trail Committee.

### Novice / Beginner Line Dance Class

Anyone over 12 years of age interested in learning to line dance. This class is geared for those who are new to line dancing and or to dancing in general. No special shoes or clothing needed

When: Most Tuesdays  
7pm beginning in September

Where: Glenshire Clubhouse

How Much: \$5 per person

Questions: Contact Robin Reese at [rbtahoe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rbtahoe@sbcglobal.net)

### SOS Glenshire

Interested in preserving quality of life around your community? SOSG (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 and the wildlife now enjoy. A proposed 185+ parcel development east of Glenshire is in the review process - NOW is the time to get involved! [www.sosglenshire.org](http://www.sosglenshire.org).

### We love Facebook

We post on Facebook, our website and e-mail. Like us on Facebook and see all the greatest happening and latest information in and around Glenshire. Bylaws, Policies, Rules and Regulations, Clubhouse Rental Information, The Shire, Pool Schedule, Board Meeting Minutes, and more. All may be downloaded. Feed back, whether critical or complimentary, is important to us. Can't find what you're looking for? email us at [glenshire1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glenshire1@sbcglobal.net)



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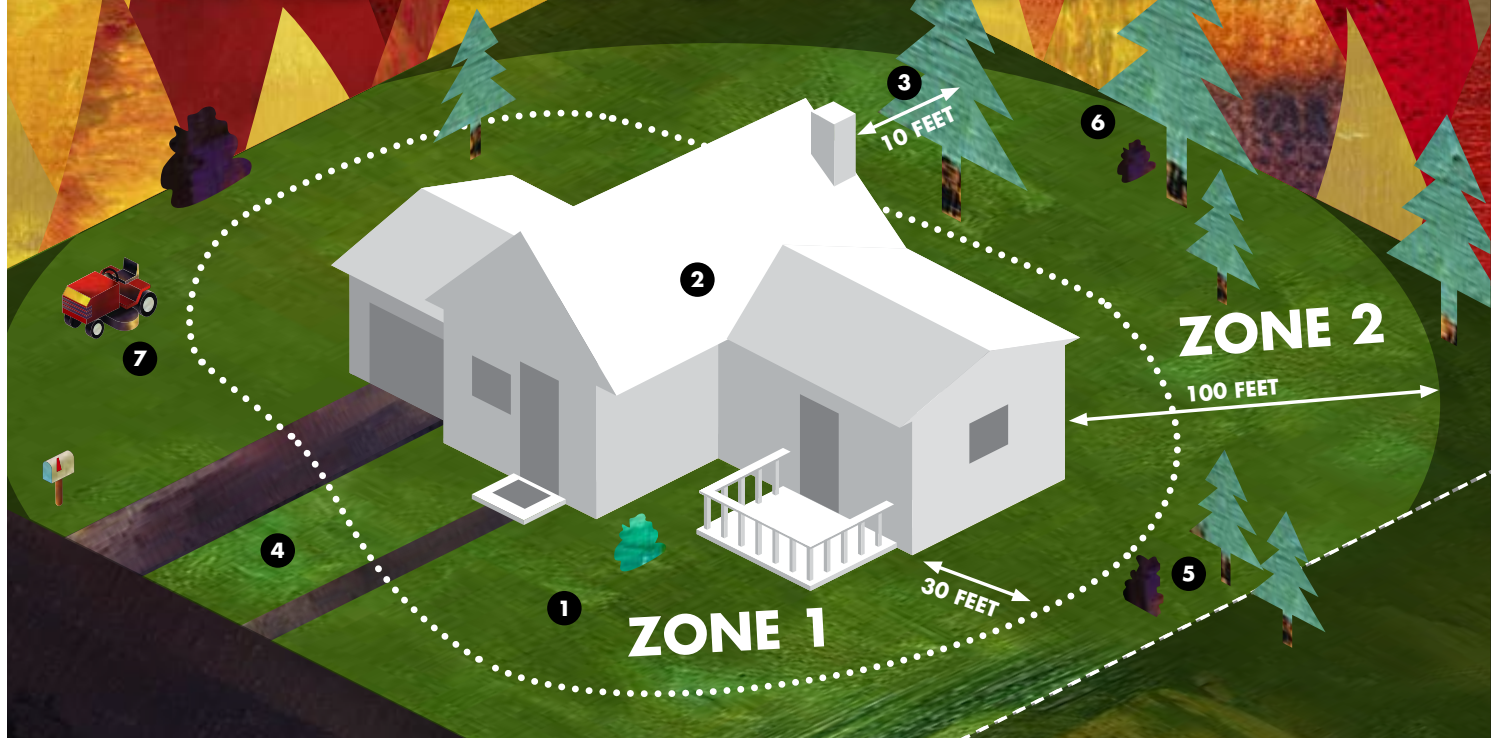
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Defensible Space is your property's front line defense against wildfire. Creating and maintaining defensible space around your home can dramatically increase your home's chance of surviving a wildfire and improves the safety of firefighters defending your property. 100 feet of defensible space is required by law.\*



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\*For more information on creating defensible space and legal requirements visit

**READYFORWILDFIRE.ORG**

## TWO ZONES MAKE UP THE REQUIRED 100 FEET OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE:

### ZONE 1: 30 feet of Lean, Clean & Green

- 1 Remove all dead plants, grass and weeds.
- 2 Remove dead or dry leaves and pine needles from your yard, roof and rain gutters.
- 3 Keep tree branches 10 feet away from your chimney and other trees.

### ZONE 2: 30-100 feet of Reduced Fuel

- 4 Cut or mow annual grass down to a maximum height of 4 inches.
- 5 Create horizontal spacing between shrubs and trees.
- 6 Create vertical spacing between grass, shrubs and trees.

### Use Equipment Properly to Keep from Sparking a Wildfire

- 7 Mow before 10 a.m., and never on a hot or windy day. String trimmers are a safer option (vs. lawnmowers) for clearing vegetation.



### VERTICAL SPACING

Large trees do not have to be cut and removed as long as all of the plants beneath them are removed. This eliminates a vertical "fire ladder."



### HORIZONTAL SPACING

Create horizontal and vertical spacing between plants, the amount of spacing will depend on how steep the slope is and the size of the plants.



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## Defensible Space— What Are You Waiting For?

Maintaining defensible space makes your house look better, makes the neighborhood look better increases property values and will save your life. So what are we waiting for?

This last winter was kind enough to give us more precipitation than we have had in the last four years. Along with this come taller weeds and taller fuel ladders. Please cut all the weeds and annual grasses down to 4" or less on all of your property. Leaving that strip along the road because you think you don't have to maintain into the Town's road easement is not only incorrect but could be fatally dangerous. Firefighters in Colorado learned wood fences are akin to a fuse leading to a powder keg. Many houses were lost in some of Colorado's worst wildfires simply because the fences caught fire and lead the fire to the house. Drying in the outdoors for years wood fences catch fire instantly and often lead right to the siding of a house. Keep all flammable materials away from fences and cut down all weeds.

In 2015 wildfires in Clear Lake grew to 8000 acres in 12 hours leaving many residents minutes to evacuate and killing some in the process. Work with your neighbors to help keep your neighborhood safe. Talk to those who have overgrown vegetation and contact Truckee Fire for a defensible space inspection. A better looking and safer neighborhood starts with you.

Need another reason? Every year we are contacted by residents who have their home owners insurance canceled. Why? It's because of where we live, and that our community is not a Certified Fire Safe Community. Some insurance companies offer a discount if the community is a Certified First Safe Community.

The people who have read this far about the positives of defensible space are probably the ones who understand the benefits of doing so. We rely on those that do understand to help talk to others who may not understand, and hope you can spread the word that it takes everyone to keep our community safe.

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# OPEN COMMUNICATION

## Welcome to the 2016 Glenshire Devonshire Residents Association Community Survey.

You may fill out this survey or go to [glenshiredevonshire.com](http://glenshiredevonshire.com) and fill out our survey online.

Please return by Aug. 15

The GDRA Board of Directors always welcomes feedback and realizes that not everyone has time to attend board meetings and other GDRA functions. The GDRA Board of Directors has a Vision to support a high quality, connected, healthy life for all residents, but needs your help to achieve this goal. Please take a few moments and answer as many questions as you have time for.

- 1 The GDRA Board of Directors' Mission is to protect and enhance the quality of life and property in Glenshire Devonshire. How satisfied are you that we are accomplishing this:

10--9--8--7--6--5--4--3--2--1--0 (10 being very satisfied, 0 being not at all)

- 2 As this is difficult to accomplish, while meeting everyone's goals, please provide suggestions below that you think would benefit everyone and accomplish this Mission:

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- 3 Of the current amenities GDRA currently provides for its members, which do you feel are ongoing priorities? (1 being the most important, 11 the least important)

☐ Clubhouse  
☐ Lake Trail  
☐ Lake: Water Quality / Dam  
☐ Pool  
☐ Playground  
☐ Tennis Courts  
☐ Dumpster  
☐ Open Space  
☐ Glenshire Day  
☐ Classes at the Clubhouse  
☐ Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

- 4 GDRA performs inspections of properties during transfer of title, submittal for property improvements and complaints. Do you think that the Association's enforcement of the rules and CC&R's is:

☐ Too strict  
☐ Not enough  
☐ The right balance

- 5 If you think that Rules Enforcement is too lax, what areas do you think need to be followed up on? (Please only mark any you might think need more enforcement, leave blank if no issues. Note that labor costs are associated with increased enforcement that could take from other areas of focus, or be reflected in an increased annual assessment):

☐ Too many vehicles (cars, trucks, trailers, RV's, snowmobiles, motorcycles, etc.)  
☐ Defensible space (homes that are a fire danger to the community)  
☐ Faded and peeling paint  
☐ Dogs barking

- \_\_\_\_\_ Dogs at large
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bright exterior house lights
- \_\_\_\_\_ Junk and personal items visible
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

- 6** The GDRA Board of Directors has a Capital Improvement list for future projects. None of these projects are set in stone. However, for planning purposes the Board needs input on deciding if the community would like to see these improvements in the future. The costs are very preliminary estimates and should not be used for future references. (1 is most important, 9 is least and 0 is not desired at all):

<u>Project description</u>	<u>Approx cost</u>
_____ Boardwalk over spillway, Lake Trail	\$60,000
_____ Expansion of current playground	\$50,000
_____ Photo voltaic solar panels on pool building	\$75,000
_____ Replacement of clubhouse single pane windows with energy efficient double pain tempered windows	\$95,000
_____ Insulate ceiling/walls in Clubhouse	\$150,000
_____ Lake trail repair / rebuild and drainage improvements	\$250,000
_____ Trail from Lake Spillway to Dorchester	\$75,000
_____ Trail from Clubhouse to Glenshire Drive along Union Creek drainage	\$50,000
_____ Other Capital Improvements the Association might consider (please list)	
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- 7** Some other amenity and HOA activities have been suggested. Please rate the below ideas keeping in mind that there is a cost associated with each item. Score each item by marking a "1" as a priority, a 5 as not needed or 3 as in-between.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Annual pine needle day
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bocce Ball Court
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lake health / weed removal
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chipping program
- \_\_\_\_\_ Increased enforcement of Defensible Space
- \_\_\_\_\_ More events like Glenshire Day
- \_\_\_\_\_ Increased enforcement of Rules
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please list ) \_\_\_\_\_
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- 8** Which areas would you like to see the Association focus on:  
(1 being the most important, 8 the least)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Maintaining amenities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Increasing HOA community engagement (how \_\_\_\_\_)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Enforcement of rules and regulations
- \_\_\_\_\_ Developing new amenities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Defensible Space in GDRA open space
- \_\_\_\_\_ Defensible Space on individual lots
- \_\_\_\_\_ Keeping assessments as low as possible
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_



- 9 Please let us get to know who lives in Glenshire Devonshire in order to better serve the community.  
*Please do not feel obligated to answer any of the following questions if you think they are too personal.*  
(Mark all that apply for the 2-part question):

\_\_\_\_\_ I currently own a home in Glenshire Devonshire  
\_\_\_\_\_ I am currently renting out my home in Glenshire Devonshire  
\_\_\_\_\_ I am renting from an owner in Glenshire Devonshire

In addition:

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a full time resident  
\_\_\_\_\_ I am a part time resident

- 10 How long have you lived and/or owned property in Glenshire Devonshire?

\_\_\_\_\_ 0-3 years  
\_\_\_\_\_ 4-10 years  
\_\_\_\_\_ 10 years +  
\_\_\_\_\_ N/A

- 11 Number of and age of household members? (Please mark the number of persons living in Glenshire Devonshire in each age range):

\_\_\_\_\_ 0 to 20  
\_\_\_\_\_ 20 to 30  
\_\_\_\_\_ 30 to 40  
\_\_\_\_\_ 40 to 50  
\_\_\_\_\_ 50 to 60  
\_\_\_\_\_ 60 to 70  
\_\_\_\_\_ 70+

- 12 To ensure some degree of accuracy, please write down the address of the Glenshire Devonshire house you own or live in (renters welcome, and for anonymity purposes please do not include your name):

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Please list any additional comments here: \_\_\_\_\_

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Thank you, your feedback helps us make the best decisions for the GDRA community.



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