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FEATURE ARTICLE | By Dan Warren, General Manager

The August edition of the Shire can be the most difficult to write and then again the easiest. There is so much information that needs to be disseminated that it is often hard to figure out what information will be left out and what will be on the front page. Of course, as most know, the pool repair and rebuild project is at the top of many people's list. But, in order to stay in front of the next big issue, the Association will need to start talking about tackling the health of Glenshire Lake soon.

The four years of drought that we've endured has caused the outflow to occur for only about a week and a half this year. With no outflow, and a warmer than usual winter, the ecosystem of the lake is changing rapidly and not for the better. This year began with a Eurasian watermilfoil infestation that has grown at an extremely fast rate and at the time of this writing has covered almost 50% of the lake. This growth calms the choppy waters caused by the afternoon breezes and creates the perfect environment for

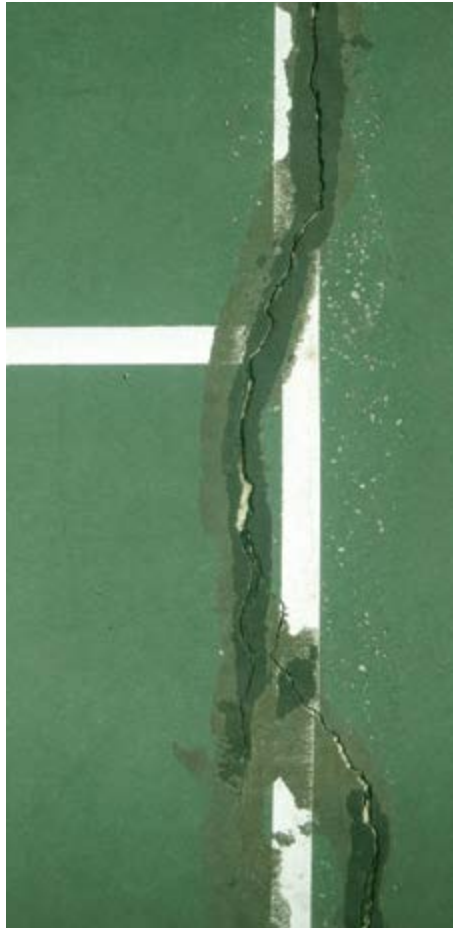
mosquitoes to populate. Mosquitoes only bring more negative issues to the problem, including itchy bumps and West Nile virus. And, as the oxygen starts to dissipate, we will have the issue of the wonderful smell of rotting algae filling the air to contend with.

What are the fixes? The GDRA board will be looking at possible solutions as we head into the future. Currently chemical herbicides may not be a good choice which leaves us with hand pulling, raking and the installation of large mats that are placed on top of the weeds. A four year project was just completed in Emerald Bay but will need continuing monitoring and maintenance in the future. This was not an inexpensive fix and we could be looking at a similar project. We need to combine any water issues with drainage issues and this includes re-routing some of the Lake Trail and

rebuilding to a more wet lands friendly trail construction and design.

Other topics for August that are important include: Defensible Space, Tennis court rebuild project, the pool fix / rebuild project, Future restrooms at the Glenshire end of the Legacy Trail, Class two bike lanes on Glenshire Drive, Canyon Springs and more. Stay informed by belonging to our e-mail list and note that every item on the GDRA board agenda is important.





Please Help Save Our Tennis Courts

The Glenshire HOA board is still in discussions on the planned tennis court replacement scheduled for 2017. In the hopes to continue to balance the HOA's expenses the tennis court repairs may have to be pushed out a little longer.

The association has been able to keep the nets together, even in the winter, allowing people to enjoy a game of tennis. Unfortunately, the courts do need some improvements, including resurfacing.

Let's not forget about the exercise and fun the tennis courts provide for members. If you or any other community members have interest in forming/joining a "Tennis Court Committee" in efforts to move the tennis court project forward, please contact Dan at glenshire1@sbcglobal.net

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Our Pond Ecosystem Is Changing— And Not For The Better

Eurasian Watermilfoil General Information

Eurasian watermilfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*) is an attractive plant with feathery underwater foliage. It was once commonly sold as an aquarium plant. Eurasian watermilfoil, hereafter called milfoil, originates from Europe and Asia, but was introduced to North America many years ago and is now found over much of the United States.

Growth Habit

Because it is widely distributed and difficult to control, milfoil is considered to be the most problematic plant in several states. The introduction of milfoil can drastically alter a water body's ecology. Milfoil forms very dense mats of vegetation on the surface of the water. These mats interfere with recreational activities such as swimming, fishing, water skiing, and boating. The sheer mass of plants can cause flooding and the stagnant mats can create good habitat for mosquitoes. Milfoil mats can rob oxygen from the water by preventing the wind from mixing the oxygenated

surface waters to deeper water. The dense mats of vegetation can also increase the sedimentation rate by trapping sediments.

Milfoil also starts spring growth sooner than native aquatic plants and can shade out these beneficial plants. When milfoil invades new territory, typically the species diversity of aquatic plants declines. While some species of waterfowl will eat milfoil, it is not considered to be a good food source. Milfoil reproduces extremely rapidly and can infest an entire lake within two years of introduction to the system. Milfoil is able to reproduce very successfully and rapidly through the formation of plant fragments. In the late summer and fall the plants become brittle and naturally break apart. These fragments will float to other areas, sink, and start new plants. Milfoil will also grow from fragments created by boaters or other disturbances during any time of year. A new plant can start from a tiny piece of a milfoil plant. This is why milfoil can so easily be transported from lake to lake on fishing gear, boats and by birds. Once established in its new home, water currents may carry milfoil fragments and start new colonies within the same waterbody.



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BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING SCHEDULE

6:30pm at the Glenshire Clubhouse
15726 Glenshire Drive
August 12, 2015
September 26, 2015
(Annual Meeting and Election 10am)
September 30, 2015
October 14, 2015
November 11, 2015
January 13, 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.

Board Of Directors Election Scheduled For September

Glenshire residents engage in our community with four applications received for the three open Glenshire Devonshire Residents Association Board of Directors seats that are available this year. Please attend the August 12, 2015 GDRA board meeting to "meet the candidates". We will have the candidates introduce themselves and will be available for an open forum session.

Dan Engler, Incumbent

Occupation:

Electrical Contractor/Systems Integrator

Board Experience:

I have served 5 terms on Glenshire's board, during this 10 year period as President, vice president, treasurer, secretary and director.

Management Experience:

Business owner since 1989

Candidate Statement:

Having served on the board for 10 years increases the value I would lend to the Glenshire Residents as my

voting actions reflect on past hurdles and brings much needed continuity to an ever changing community. A Glenshire resident since 1992 and homeowner since 1998, I offer balanced decision making based on factual information, and can also put my personal feelings aside to make decisions based on those facts. Activities I enjoy are well rounded and include Head Coach Truckee High School Trap Team, motorcycling, bicycling, skiing, snowmobiling, hiking, camping and other sports. The Glenshire Residents Association Board of Directors benefits from the experience and resourcefulness that I bring to the board.



Sally Lyon

Occupation: CPA / Accountant & Director of Finance & Administration, Truckee Tahoe Airport District

Board Experience:

8 years on the GDRA board; President,

Treasurer. 15 years on North Fork Assoc. board; Treasurer. 8 years Lake Tahoe Music Festival; President, Treasurer.

Candidate Statement:

I have lived in Glenshire for 15 years. I think Glenshire is an outstanding community and I want to help preserve our quality of life. Some things that are important to me: I am opposed to the sprawl that the Canyon Springs development would bring. I want to maintain and improve the Glenshire Pond and would like to see better connectivity of trails in our neighborhood. The rebuild of the pool facility needs to move ahead with efficiency and thoughtful financial planning. I have previously served 8 years on the GDRA board. I would appreciate your support.

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your calendar! Come visit
with the candidates before the
September election. ”

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Stacie Creps Smith

Occupation:

Business owner

Board Experience:

No previous board experience.

Management Experience:

I started a construction cleaning company in Reno in 1985, sold in 1997. I currently own and manage Wrondel Self Storage in Reno.

Candidates Statement:

My name is Stacie Creps Smith. I've lived in the Sierras my entire life,

Glenshire since 1997. I have owned businesses since 1984 with up to 20 employees. I am interested in desires and needs of everyone in Glenshire. I love outdoors and wildlife and do all I can to preserve both. I have 5 children and 4 horses. I believe in patient listening and fairness for everyone in this community. I will be flexible, reasonable, and open minded while upholding the CC&R's of Glenshire. My experience in management, psychology, and diplomacy will serve valuably as a board member. I look forward to helping navigate change easily while maintaining the lifestyle we all love.

Pam Stock

Occupation:

Retired RN

Board Experience:

Member of the Incline Village Community Hospital Foundation.

Management Experience:

Chief Operation Officer & Chief Nursing Officer at Incline Village Community Hospital for 9 years prior to retirement.

Candidate Statement:

The Association faces some challenging decisions as Glenshire grows and changes and the community ages. I have had much experience in evaluating financial and community good to come to win-win solutions for difficult problems. I am for the pool revision if it can be done in a fiscally responsible way that will not financially break a large portion of the Association Membership. The Board represents all of the Association Members, and as such, has to make sure all sides are represented. I will bring a balanced view to all decisions regarding the future of this wonderful community.

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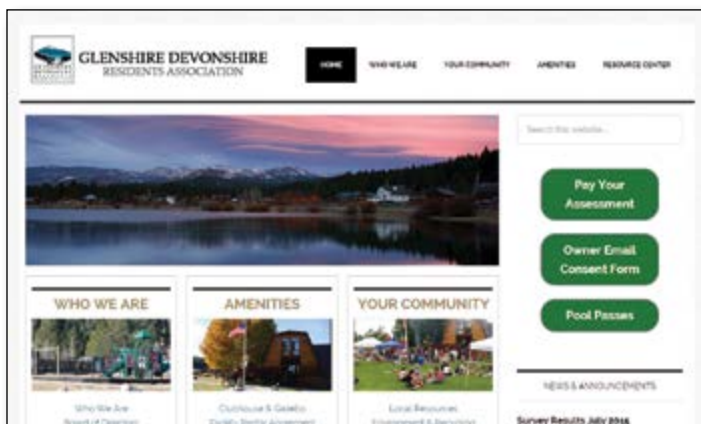
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Advanced Dog Training Classes

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.



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.

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, but please ask!

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 expected to have its Final Review Hearing in August or September 2015. This will be the last change for public comment on the project!



Lake Trail Fundraising 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.



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NEW Irrigation Efficiency Program

Save water AND have a beautiful garden!

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How it works:

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3. Have an irrigation/landscape professional **install** your sensor, **tune up** your irrigation system, and **complete** a TDPUD irrigation check list to qualify for an **additional rebate up to \$50**

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LIVING WITH WILDFIRE

During a wildfire it will likely be dark, smoky, windy, dry and hot. There may be burning embers being blown about, no power, no phone service and poor water pressure. Remember, there is nothing you own worth your life!

Please evacuate immediately when asked by fire or law enforcement officials. Follow one of your pre-planned evacuation routes to your family's designated meeting place. Drive slowly, turn on your vehicle headlights and stay as far to the right side of the road as possible.

If you have to evacuate and there's time...

Wear and carry...

- Long pants, long-sleeved shirt or jacket made of cotton or wool, a hat and boots
- Gloves, a handkerchief and goggles to cover your face, and water to drink
- Flashlight and portable radio tuned to a local radio station

Family members should...

- Evacuate early, especially if not essential to preparing the house for wildfire
- Relay your plans to a designated out-of-town contact person
- Follow practiced evacuation

routes to the designated safe meeting place

For your animals...

- Evacuate them if possible
- Contact the Nevada Humane Society, Washoe County Regional Animal Services or Washoe County Regional Animal Control for assistance
- Bring current pet photos and make sure distinguishing markings are visible, health records, vaccination information, medications and dosage instructions
- Secure pets in their own carrier or cage

For your vehicle...

- If you can lift your garage door manually, disconnect the electric garage door opener and place the vehicle in the garage pointing out and leave the garage door unlocked and closed. If you cannot lift your garage door manually, park the vehicle in the driveway facing out
- Leave keys in the ignition and roll up the windows

Place in your vehicle...

- Clothing for 3-5 days
- Prescription glasses
- Personal toiletries
- Important documents (bank,

IRS, trust, investment, insurance policies, birth certificates, marriage certificates, death certificates, medical and immunization records, wills, contracts, titles and deeds

- Credit and ATM cards and extra cash
- Medications
- Driver's license, passport and social security cards
- Laptop and charger and backup of desktop computer files
- Address book
- Cell phone and charger
- Family photo albums and videos
- Family heirlooms
- Photographs and video of the interior and exterior of the house and landscape

Inside your home and out buildings...

- Close all interior doors, windows, skylights and exterior doors (house, garage, shop and barn)
- Leave a light on in each room
- Remove lightweight, non-fire resistant curtains and other combustible materials from around windows
- Close fire-resistant drapes, shutters and blinds
- Turn off all pilot lights, once gas and propane are turned off outside
- Move couches and easy chairs to the center of the room
- Close fireplace damper
- Turn off air conditioning
- Place an EVACUATED sign in the front window

Outside your home and out buildings...

- Place combustible patio furniture and accessories inside or toss them away from the house
- Remove barbecue propane tanks and place away from the house where they can safely vent
- Shut off propane at the tank or natural gas at the meter
- Close or cover foundation, attic and eave vents with precut

plywood covers or several layers of aluminum foil

- Cover windows with plywood panels at least 1/2 inch thick
- Prop a noncombustible ladder against the house
- Connect garden hoses to faucets and attach nozzles set on spray
- Remove excelsior pads from swamp coolers and toss them away from the house
- Leave doors and gates unlocked
- Turn on outside lights
- Fill trash cans and buckets with water and place where firefighters can find them
- If you have an emergency water source, post WATER SOURCE HERE sign in a location clearly visible from the street.

If you cannot leave...

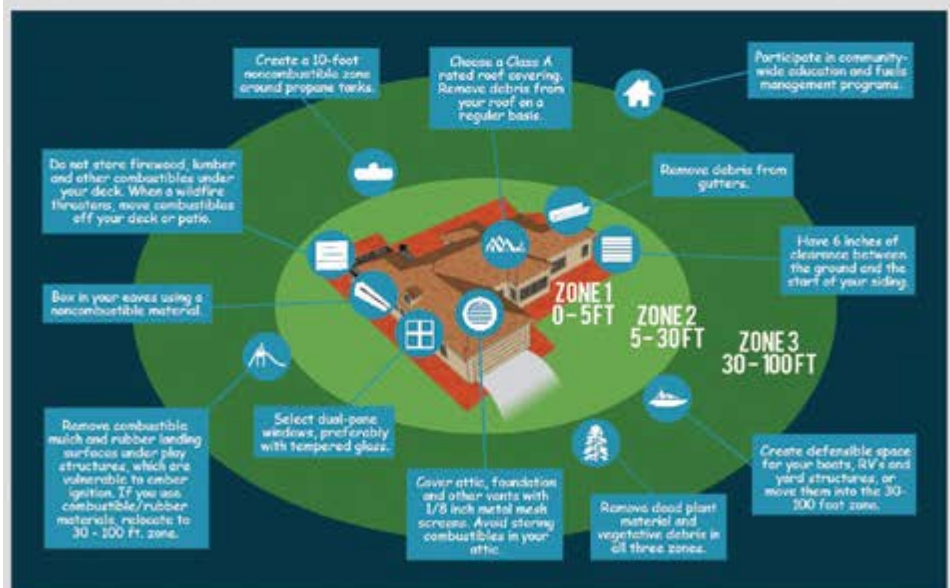
- Stay in your home during the fire as it will be much hotter and more dangerous on the outside
- Call 911 for assistance
- If possible, follow all recommendations in the "Inside..." and "Outside your home and out buildings" sections above, except don't place an EVACUATED sign in the front window
- Turn on all exterior lights
- Stay away from windows and move to an interior room or hallway
- Bring pets indoors
- Do not attempt to leave until after the fire has passed
- Check for small fires inside the house and extinguish them
- Drink plenty of water
- Make sure you can exit the house if it catches fire
- Fill sinks and tubs with water
- Place wet rags under doors and other openings to prevent entry of embers and smoke
- Once the fire front has passed, check your flower beds, roof, rain gutters, attic and crawl space for fires or burning embers and extinguish them

Reduce Your Wildfire Risk

Create Defensible Space



Know Your Zones



Additional wildfire resources are available at [DisasterSafety.org/Wildfire](https://www.DisasterSafety.org/Wildfire)





Drought Restrictions Q&A

IRRIGATION

What days of the week can I water?

Tuesday and Friday ONLY with potable water.

Are there time limits for the new 2-Day restriction on outdoor irrigation?

The two day restriction is limited to Tuesdays and Fridays only from midnight to midnight. There are no time restrictions on watering during those hours.

When do the new 2-day restrictions on outdoor irrigation take place?

June 1, 2015. The new 2-day restriction on outdoor irrigation was necessary due to Governor Brown's last drought executive order requiring an overall state-wide reduction in water production of 25% (as compared to 2013 production). The new California State Water Resources Control Board emergency drought regulations were adopted May 5, 2015 and take effect June 1, 2015 but will expire in 270-days by law.

Does the Tuesday and Friday irrigation restriction apply to drip systems or hand watering?

Plant containers, trees, shrubs, groundcover and vegetable gardens may be watered as needed when using automatic drip irrigation or hand watering.

Does the Tuesday and Friday irrigation restriction apply to new landscaping? Do I have a grace period to complete the installation?

There are no provisions in the Truckee Donner PUD's ordinance nor the State of California regulations for a grace period for new sod or landscaping. (see above answer on hand watering)

Are vegetable gardens exempt from the 2-day per week irrigation restriction?

Vegetable gardens are exempt. The 2-day irrigation restriction only applies to ornamental landscapes and turf.

What is 'Measureable' precipitation?

The State of California prohibitions against the waste of water include no outdoor irrigation during and 48-hours after measureable precipitation. The Truckee Donner PUD has

defined 'measureable' precipitation to be 1/4" (one-quarter inch) in a 24-hour period. Given Truckee's well-known micro-climates, it is impossible for the Truckee Donner PUD to know the exact amount of precipitation on a given landscape and it is the customer's responsibility to measure precipitation at their home or business. Truckee Donner PUD's Conservation Department is giving away free rain-gauges that you can use to measure precipitation.

MISCELLANEOUS

What is Potable Water?

Potable water, as related to the prohibitions of waste that apply to all Californians, is water used for domestic purposes that is not a dedicated irrigation well. Potable water, related to restrictions on irrigation to Tuesday and Friday, is treated water served by the Truckee Donner PUD to our customers.

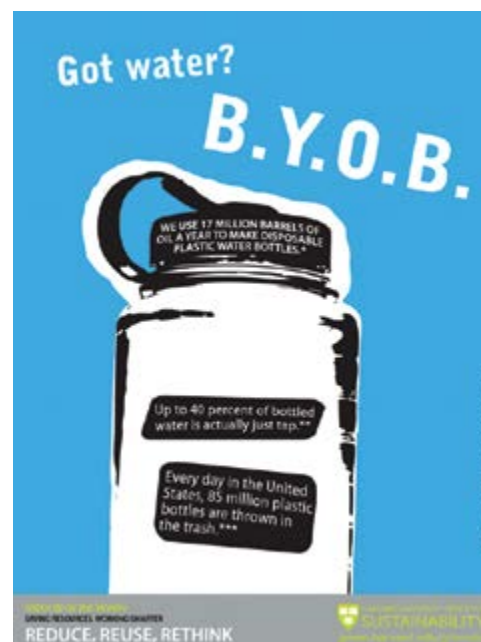
How did Truckee Donner PUD end with a 28% reduction target?

Governor Brown's last drought executive order requiring an overall state-wide reduction in water production of 25% (as compared to 2013 production) also required that higher users do 'proportionally' more. The California State Water Resources Control Board chose to use Residential Gallons per Capita per Day (RGPCD) regulatory reporting data to assign higher or lower targets. RGPCD, simply put, is daily water production divided by population. RGPCD is a problematic metric for the Truckee Donner PUD (and many of the other local water agencies) as RGPCD is highly influenced by weather, economy, and transient population (i.e. visitors and 2nd-home owners). Truckee Donner PUD was originally placed in a 36% reduction target but, after providing multiple official comment letters and direct communication with the

regulators, the Truckee Donner PUD was given the 28% target.

I am on a private well, do the drought regulations apply to me?

The restrictions against waste apply to all Californians. The Tuesday and Friday restriction on irrigation only applies to potable water



delivered by the Truckee Donner PUD (i.e. ALL Truckee Donner PUD residential and MOST commercial water customers.)

On a commercial water account is the owner of the property responsible for making sure each of the units in the complex abide by the regulations?

The restrictions against waste apply to all Californians. The Truckee Donner PUD account holder is responsible for compliance with the Tuesday and Friday restriction on irrigation.

Are there any restrictions on pressure washing of homes or structures in preparation for staining or painting?

No. There is a prohibition against washing of driveways and sidewalks but this does not include structures.

I think that the new restrictions are unreasonable or would create an undue hardship for me. What can I do?

Compliance with the State of California emergency drought regulations are mandatory and there are provisions for penalties and fines. The provisions against waste that apply to all Californians are State of California regulations and there were no provisions for unreasonableness or hardship. The Tuesday and Friday restriction on irrigation with potable water of ornamental landscapes and turf does have a provision to petition the Truckee Donner PUD's General Manager for unreasonableness or undue hardship but the petition must be compelling and the situation must be somewhat unique and unavoidable. If a customer feels that complying with the Truckee Donner PUD's restrictions on outdoor irrigation creates a hardship, they should write a letter or email to the Truckee Donner PUD (addressed to stevenponcelet@tdpud.org or Steven Poncelet, Attention: Hardship Petition, 11570 Donner Pass Road, Truckee, CA 96161) which should address the following:

- a. Identify the hardship.
- b. Provide an alternative to the Tuesday and Friday only restriction that would, at a minimum, meet the intent of a 2-day restriction.
- c. Indicate the time frame over which this hardship petition is requested.

I believe that someone is violating the State emergency drought regulations. What can I do?

Truckee Donner PUD encourages people to work together to raise awareness of the new regulations and to help each other comply. If you want to file a formal complaint, visit www.tdpud.org (Drought link or Forms button on the homepage). Complaints must be in writing and anonymous complaints will not be accepted. Alleged violations will be investigated and violations, if not corrected, may be subject to penalties and fines.



Don't Rush To Flush

Next time you go to flush your toilet, consider that what goes down the drain impacts the sewer system and the local environment. Here are three simple things the Truckee Sanitary District (TSD), the public agency responsible for wastewater collection, wants everyone to be aware of before they flush:

1. "Flushable" wipes clog pipes. The manufacturers of these convenience products want you to believe these wipes will decompose in the sewer. Unfortunately, they don't. Flushable wipes clog pipes, pumps and cause sewer spills and backups into homes. If it's not toilet paper, then throw it in the trash, not the toilet.
2. Keep your sewer FOG free. FOG or Fats, Oils, and Grease are often disposed of down the sink. Unfortunately, these products quickly harden and stick to the inside of the sewer system restricting flow. Never pour bacon grease or other fats and oils down the drain. Let them harden in the pan and scrape them into the garbage or pour them into a safe container and dispose of them in the garbage.
3. Prescription Drugs and Over-The-Counter Medications. These products contain chemicals that you don't want entering the water supply. Even though our sewage is highly treated, many of these chemicals are not removed. The best way to dispose of drugs and medicine is to make them undesirable, such as crushing them and then mixing with coffee grounds or dirt before sealing them in a plastic bag and disposing in the trash. Another option is to take advantage of community drug take-back programs.

Every home in Glenshire and Devonshire is connected to the public sewer system. Proper use of the sewer system keeps it operating smoothly, saves money, and protects the environment. For more information about the sewer system, go to TSD's website at www.truckeesan.org.



Pool Project Update

At the July 8th GDRA board meeting the upcoming pool repair project was again the hot topic for most who attended. With repair costs coming in at close to 1.5 million dollars there were many impassioned comments made by residents both at the meeting and by submitting the online survey. With a possible special assessment of around \$810 for each parcel comments ranged from, "This is a no brainer, it is such a good deal for a great amenity" to "I can't afford this assessment and will have to sell my house and move".

At the end of the meeting the board directed staff to consult with the project manager and take the project to the cutting board and see if they could cut \$500,000 from the project. There is a planned community workshop on August 10, 2015 at 6:30pm at the clubhouse where the community can look at the project and possible cost savings. We may be looking at reducing deck space, eliminating the wading pool, having no landscaping in the pool area, eliminating the pass office / snack bar and eliminating grounds maintenance storage facilities. The board has worked with the project manager to keep time lines on track to have a facility next summer but one board member noted in the meeting, "After we look at making cost saving changes we might not have the right timeline to have a pool next summer." The board has not dropped the project yet noting the pool is a well used asset to our community. Come to the Pool Renovation Workshop on August 10, 2015 and the GDRA Board meeting on August 12, 2015 to be part of discussion on the future of the Glenshire pool.



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Pool Fundraiser August 9, 2015

Wanting to protect our amenities, Glenshire's sense of community and a summer time hub of social interaction, a group of concerned residents have gathered together to hold a pool repair fundraiser on August 9, 2015 from 9am-7pm at the Glenshire Pool.

Planned activities will include a food truck that will help fulfill your mid-day hunger in preparation for a great afternoon; dollars for laps in the morning; sponsor a lap swimmer by donating an amount for each lap any one swimmer completes.

In the afternoon there will be fun filled activities for kids, the lineup being worked on includes pool games, face painting and other youth oriented activities. In the Evening there will be a BBQ pot luck and bake sale. Contributions are appreciated. Email glenshireevents@gmail.com if you'd like to help out.

Pool Fundraiser

- Sponsor a lap swimmer!
- Food Truck Lunch, proceeds benefit the pool renovation project!
- Activities for the kids, pool games, face painting and more!
- Evening potluck BBQ & bake sale

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indirect contact with infected dog feces. But my dog poop is biodegradable and a natural part of the forest.

Fact:

Dog waste contains harmful bacteria and concentrated nutrient content that are not natural to our environment. When people leave their dog's poop, it can pollute streams and lakes with nitrogen, which feeds increased algae production. Dog feces can also contain parasites such as giardia and cryptosporidium, which affect humans. When dogs poop on the snow, it freezes until the snow thaws and carries those same harmful particles into the nearest water source.

What can I do?

An off-leash dog can eat something it's not supposed to or drink polluted water, both of which can cause serious injuries or death. Keeping our four-legged friends on leashes keeps them out of things that can harm them. A visit to an emergency pet hospital can be expensive even if it is a bacterial infection from surface water that is easily treatable. A roaming dog can encounter danger from automobiles, people riding bicycles, broken glass, discarded, rancid food or a sick or rabid wild animal.



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Help Shape The Future Of Glenshire/ Devonshire— Pool Workshop August 10, 2015

Come and be involved in the pool renovation project. This is another opportunity for you to help shape the future of Glenshire Devonshire.

The project has been cut down in size and costs over the last year with the final round of cuts to be discussed at this workshop. Take a look at the project and let us know where you think we can make cuts.

The Board will be there with our project manager to answer questions about what basic infrastructure is needed for operation and what items are not. What does California, Nevada County and the Town of Truckee require for code updates and how those are driving the cost of the project? Where are the wetlands that might be impacted and why we need to be responsible about how we proceed in these areas? Possible costs and funding of projects will also be discussed.

Financing options will also be discussed, including a possible special assessment, dues increases and other options. This is your chance to be informed, ask questions and make suggestions on how we proceed.

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North Lake Tahoe High's Johanna Gur with Liberty's Rich Salgo

Commitment To Our Community

Hi, I'm Rich Salgo, Liberty Utilities' Vice President of Operations. I'm a licensed electrical engineer with more than 30 years of experience in this industry. I began my career with Sierra Pacific Power, continued with NV Energy, and joined the Liberty team earlier this year.

One of the things that attracted me to Liberty was their commitment to community. As a smaller utility located in the communities we serve, we can be responsive and local. In fact, many of our employees have been with the utility for decades and may even be your neighbors! Before I share some of the ways you may see us in your community, I wanted to let you know about a project starting soon that will improve your electrical service.

In early August we will begin construction of the Phase 1 upgrade of our 650 electric transmission line located between Martis Valley and the Northstar substation. The power line generally follows Highway 267. Construction will primarily consist of replacing old wooden poles with poles constructed of a brownish steel material. A heavier gauge wire will also be installed, and the line will ultimately operate at 120 kV as part of a loop allowing for greater load transfer and switching ability to reduce outages during major events such as snowstorms. This portion of the line improvement will be completed by mid-October. The second half of the project to continue the improvements from Northstar to Kings Beach commencing in Spring 2016 and completed that same year. While the overall 625/650 Electric Lines Upgrade project will take several years to complete, this first portion will be extremely helpful in meeting the needs of our Customers.



Liberty Utilities participates in community events throughout the year promoting energy efficiency programs.

As I mentioned before, Liberty Utilities and our employees love being out in the communities we serve. For the third consecutive year, we had the privilege of offering high school and community college scholarships within our service territory. We partner with the schools to select deserving students, and our employees especially enjoy personally delivering a certificate and scholarship check to each one.

We also participate in many summer events with our colorful display booth sharing information about electrical safety and energy efficiency measures that can save both energy and money. Did you know that we'll come out to your home and conduct a free energy audit giving you tips on ways you can reduce your monthly utility bill? Visit www.libertyutilities.com/west to see a complete list of dates and locations where we'll be this summer, as well as information on our energy efficiency programs.

I look forward to serving our North Shore customers in the years ahead and meeting many of you. I can be contacted directly at rich.salgo@libertyutilities.com or at the Tahoe Vista office at 1.800.782.2506.



Rich Salgo
VP of Operations, Liberty Utilities-California

Equipment Use Safety

Are You doing the right thing, the wrong way?

Are you doing the right thing the wrong way -for example, trying to eliminate the fire hazards around your home and in the process starting a wildland fire? Each year CAL FIRE responds to more than 1,600 fires started by Californians using equipment the wrong way.

Whether working to create a defensible space around your home, just mowing the lawn, or pulling your dirt bike over to the side of the road, if you live in a wildland area you need to use all equipment responsibly. Lawn mowers, weed eaters, chain saws, grinders, welders, tractors, and trimmers can all spark a wildland fire. Do your part, the right way, to keep your community fire safe.

Here's how to do it the Right Way

- Do all yard maintenance that requires a gas or electrical motor before 10am. **Not in the heat of the day, or when the wind is blowing!**
- Lawn mowers are designed to mow lawns. **Never** use lawn mowers in dry vegetation.
- Use a weed trimmer to cut down dry weeds and grass.



- Remove rocks in the area before you begin operating any equipment. A rock hidden in grass or weeds is enough to start a fire when struck by a metal blade.
- In wildland areas, spark arresters are required on all portable gasoline powered equipment including tractors, harvesters, chain saws, weed eaters, mowers, motorcycles, and All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs).
- Keep the exhaust system, spark arresters and mower in proper working order and free of carbon buildup. Use the recommended grade of fuel and don't top off.
- Keep the engine free of oil and dust, and keep the mower free of flammable materials.
- In wildland areas, a permit may be required for grinding and welding operations, and spark shields may be required on equipment. Be sure to have 10 feet of clearance, a 46" round point shovel, and a backpump water-type fire extinguisher ready to use.
- Hot exhaust pipes and mufflers can start fires you won't even see, until it's too late!
- **Don't pull off into dry grass or brush.**
- Keep a cell phone nearby and call 911 **immediately** in case of a fire.

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Filmed In Truckee— Island In The Sky

Glenshire's movie review:

Why the heck would Glenshire be reviewing a movie? Because the majority of the movie was filmed in the old airport flats about 2 miles from Glenshire. The flat plateau between the I-80 agricultural check station and Glenshire Drive is the setting for this classic movie. You get glimpses of Boca hill before the fire and Northstar before any ski runs were cut.

“John Wayne was noted saying it was the coldest set that he had ever worked on.”

Island in the Sky is a 1953 American aviation adventure drama film written by Ernest K. Gann based on his 1944 novel *Island in the Sky*, directed by William A. Wellman, and starring and co-produced by John Wayne. It was released by Warner Bros. Due to its realism depicting the events surrounding an actual aircraft crash, it is considered one of the “classic” aviation films.

The film follows a pilot and crew of a World War II-era Douglas C-47 Skytrain (the military version of the DC-3) who try to survive after a forced emergency landing in the uncharted wildlands near the Quebec-Labrador border.

The script was based on a true story about a flight on 3 February 1943, although, unlike the story of the film, the co-pilot did not die. In his autobiography *Fate Is the Hunter* — on which the movie of the same name



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is very loosely based — Gann related the true story and his role as one of the search pilots while serving with Air Transport Command at Presque Isle Airfield, Maine.

The story kicks into high gear almost immediately, when a DC-3 aircraft makes a crash landing in Labrador, so far north that the area is barely on the map. Although this happens during World War II, the pilot and crew are civilians, doing their bit for the American military. Having survived

the forced landing with no injuries, they quickly realize that the hard part is just beginning. Their food supply is miniscule, and their only heat is what they can coax from a modest wood fire. Worst of all, there's hardly any power to send distress signals on their rapidly fading radio. Their chances for survival are iffy at best.

Original filming stated that the snow was 4 feet deep in the area and John Wayne was noted saying it was the coldest set that he had ever worked on.

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