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**Bear Alert** One of the best things about living in Glenshire is the diversity of native wildlife that frequents our neighborhood.



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank you to all our members who submitted helpful suggestions and requests to organize our pool system this year.

### Happy Summer!

I am so thankful for our nearby lakes, reservoirs, and the Truckee River for some evening swims to cool down. But even closer to home is the beautiful GDRA pool with our amazing staff. Thank you to all of our members who submitted helpful suggestions and requests to organize our pool system this year. We really appreciate your patience as we come out of some of the pandemic restrictions to provide as much access as legally and safely possible. Many of you have sent good wishes to our staff expressing your gratitude regarding the reopening of the pool. They really appreciate hearing about successes of the system as well as constructive criticism.

We did have some delays to the reopening. As many businesses in the area are experiencing, it has been very challenging to recruit staff, especially lifeguards. Therefore with fewer lifeguards, hours of operation needed to be adjusted. We also had some changes in our insurance for the pool, which have since been resolved. I'm extending a big thank you to Ashley who attended an extensive training course this spring in order to recertify the returning lifeguards. The training was completed and the pool reopened once the returning lifeguards were recertified. Thank you Ashley!!

Enjoy your summer. Stay well. Keep cool.

Claudia Hangon

Claudia Hanson, GDRA Board President

### Planning On Selling Your Home?

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### Send us articles & photos to include in the next Shire Magazine! We Want to hear from you!

### MEET THE CANDIDATE NIGHT

August 11, 2021, 6pm

AUGUST 21, 2021 Annual Dumpster Day 8am until full

### SEPTEMBER 2021

Annual Meeting September 16 Last Day of Pool Operation TBD

If you aren't already on our E-list, now is the time to join so you can stay tuned for pool & event details and other important information.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE Via Video/Teleconference

> August 11, 2021 6pm "Includes "Meet the Candidates Night

September 16, 2021 Annual Meeting 4pm & Regular Meeting (immediately following annual meeting)

October 13, 2021 6pm

November 10, 2021 6pm

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



# TRAIL ETIQUETTE

By Bron Roberts, PIO (Town of Truckee)

# Dogs, leashes, public areas, and shared trails

Courtesy to others is the Truckee Way! Our trails are busy and many of our community members enjoy sharing their time outdoors with their four legged household members. Here are some reminders when it comes to walking your dog in public areas off leash:

• The Town Municipal Code requires that all dogs be under control at all times when off the property of their owner or caretaker. This means that no dog may be off leash in any public area unless the dog is in the immediate presence and under direct control of the owner and the owner can demonstrate effective control of the dog.

• Carry a leash at all times. Your liability as a dog owner is a serious issue and should not be taken lightly. If your dog is off leash and attacks or bites another person or dog or causes





another person to become injured, you may be subject to a violation as well as civil legal action. Being courteous to those around you by using a leash will help prevent any unpleasant and unpredictable situations.

- Avoid a citation, pick up after your dogs. Dog waste pollutes our water sources. A good practice is to carry at least two or three waste bags at all times. Scoop it, bag it, and most importantly, toss it in the trash!
- Interfering with the lawful movement of pedestrians and bicyclists is also a citable violation. People who use the trail are entitled to an incident free experience. This includes the off leash "friendly dog" contacts. If you see someone on the trail riding their bike, running, or walking, it is the owner's responsibility to keep that dog contained until the person passes by.
- As a reminder, Truckee Regional Park has a strict leash law during the months of May through October. All dogs must be on a leash at all times while in the park. Violators will be cited for dogs not contained by a leash in the Park.
- All dogs are required to be vaccinated against the rabies virus and licensed. If

you live in Truckee, make sure your dog is licensed. Citations are issued for all unlicensed dogs residing within Town limits.

Everyone in Truckee expects to have a pleasant experience while enjoying our outdoor resources. As dog owners, we should all be respectful of that and try our very best to be responsible while we are in public areas with our dogs. Please help all of us to do better by keeping your dog on a leash while other people and dogs are around. This way we can all enjoy the beauty and adventure that Truckee has for all of us.

For our non-dog trail users - our trails are shared by a variety of users with many different interests. Please be considerate and respectful of each other and share the trails. No particular user group has priority over others. Please contact the Animal Services Division at 530.582.7830 with any questions or concerns.

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### 1. Keep Control of Pets

Pets chasing wildlife can be very detrimental, especially during nesting and fawning seasons. Keep dogs from roaming and respect use of leashes for their safety and the safety of others. We requests dogs not go on the Glenshire Lake island.

### 2. Pick Up Pet Waste At All Times

Pet waste is a polluter of the Glenshire Lake, which flows into the Truckee River. Many streams and drainages flow to the Glenshire Lake, so picking up pet waste on and off trails is important.

### 3. Maintain Defensible Space

Defensible space on every property matters toward increasing fire safety for the entire region. Find helpful information at www.truckeefire.org/defensible-space\_

### 4. Use Dark Sky Exterior Lighting

Dark skies are one of the reasons many of us live in the mountains and not a city. Town of Truckee and Glenshire have Dark Sky ordinances. Studies have shown that bright lights are harmful to wildlife, effecting feeding, mating and more. Visit www.darksky.org for more information. Less of Our Light, More Star Light!

### 5. No RV Living

Pursuant to GDRA rules and regulations.

### 6. Contact GDRA Office For Exterior Improvement Approvals

Most exterior improvements require GDRA approval, including but not limited to: Painting / Windows / Sheds / Fences / Additions / Parking Areas / Tree Removal. Some improvements require a Design Review Committee approval, others staff approval

### 7. Responsible Use of Dumpsters, Bins and Carts

Please contact GDRA staff if you need to use the clubhouse dumpster. Please tie all bags and don't put cardboard or green waste in the dumpster. Please don't put household trash in the clubhouse bear bins or over the dumpster gate. Please help protect wildlife and store recycle carts in an enclosed area until morning of pick up.

### 8. Respect Your Neighborhood

Respect construction hours: Mon - Fri 7am - 8pm / Sat, Sun & Federal Holidays 9am 7pm. Restrict Noise pollution: loud music, machinery, barking dogs, etc.

### 9. Help Keep Your Neighborhood Safe

Do not use Fireworks, Bottle Rockets, etc. They are dangerous, not allowed and against the law. Please respect the speed limits and bike lanes.

### 10. Help Your Community by Volunteering

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### Greetings!

We are enjoying seeing our Members more often, with staff now back onsite. I am especially thankful to our Members for their patience and understanding during this unprecedented staffing shortage. We continue to seek and train new staff and look forward to getting back to increased Member services soon. I have also appreciated all of the comments, questions and offering of assistance during this past year+, we are always happy to hear from you.

Thank you to our Defensible Space Team Bill, Genny and Colton for organizing a very efficient Defensible Space Inspection program, to help increase fire safety for our entire Community. I am so appreciative of our Board for recognizing the importance of implementing this highly needed program, which was the primary reason for the 2021 annual dues increase. Don't forget - view our Home Hardening/Evacuation Webinar - link on Shire page 21.

I would like to extend huge gratitude to

Heather Menges, our former part-time administrative assistant, for all of her great work and dedication, always wearing a smile. She always rose to the occasion and has been an amazing asset. We wish you all the best Heather, we'll miss you!

I am excited to welcome our new part-time administrative assistant, Tamrah Torres, who started in July. She is a great addition to our team.

It's great seeing the increase in people and their furry friends enjoying the trails. Recently, the Town manager, Jen Callaway and I had a conversation around how we could help increase trail etiquette awareness. Jen then orchestrated an article in the Town June 2021 newsletter and shared it with us to print in our newsletter (page 6 of this Shire). There are a couple of other things we are seeing and hearing about that I would like to add: PLEASE

- Don't let your dog chase wildlife, including around our Lake, especially the babies!
- Don't let your dog approach other dogs/

### **OPERATIONS** UPDATE

Thank you to our Members for their patience and understanding during this unprecedented staffing shortage.

people without being invited

• Don't ride motorized vehicles on the trails

I would like to welcome all of our new Members and wish everyone a safe and happy summer!

Lori Kelley

Lori Kelley, GDRA Operations Manager



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# FRESH AIR

### By Susan (A Glenshire Resident) & Nora (Editor)

Who doesn't like to breathe in that sweet smell of our fresh mountain air? I bet anyone that has chosen to live in this community, embracing the outdoor lifestyle throughout the four seasons can agree. After a cold winter, the sweet smell of spring is that much more rewarding, especially after a cleansing rainstorm.

That was true a few weeks ago. Did you go outside to take it all in? The walk through our refreshed Glenshire neighborhood was about to begin. The clouds were parting for the sun. The air was light and pure as we set off for our walk, breathing in the refreshing aroma that so classically follows a summer storm.

Suddenly, the climate changed. We couldn't breathe. I began to cough. A headache was coming on. Someone's eyes began to water. What was going on?

- a. Vehicle exhaust
- b. Skunk
- c. Dryer sheet exhaust

The speed of our feet propelled us away from the smell triggering these responses. Yet as we continued on, we experienced 3 more

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instances where our breathing abilities were affected. Did you guess the cause?

If you marked the letter "c" you are correct.

We all probably appreciate the fresh smell of clean laundry, almost as much as the clean mountain air. But this experience got me thinking. How many others are affected in this way?

Studies indicate many dryer sheets contain fragrance and other chemicals that when heated can trigger asthma, migraines, and skin problems.

Continuing discoveries validate that dryer vents emitted more than 25 volatile organic compounds (VOCs), a gaseous clear fog. Chemicals like acetaldehyde and benzene included, which are considered carcinogenic.

"It is hard to find safer products because manufacturers of cleaning products aren't required to test their products to make sure they are safe for people and the environment." - EPA Consequently, listed ingredients are incomplete or not listed at all.

What happens when those chemically loaded sheets are replaced with other dryer methods such as fragrance free sheets or wool dryer balls? One study measured improvement in air quality. "Where do these fragrance clouds 'land'?" you might ask. On the ground and in our water ways.

Thoughts turned to how we could get a conversation started with the general public. I suspected that this might not be on everyone's mind and might even be met with apathy. However, while looking deeper into why dryer sheets cause a negative health response, it was discovered reading a 2011 study from University of Washington that the chemicals dryer sheets emit can lead to air and water pollution. This made me realize there was something we could all get behind that might elicit less apathy because it affected more than just those with allergies or asthma; protecting the nature we all call home.

Something as simple as changing to environmentally friendly brands, fragrance or chemical free methods, or other alternative eco methods can cause a big impact for our personal footprint, as well as help our neighbors.

I implore more people to learn about the impacts of dryer sheets. Your neighbors with allergies and asthma will thank you, as well as the environment. A small way to make a difference, ensuring the sweet smell of mountain air for generations to come.

- Cen.acs.org "What's that stuff? Dryer Sheets" a historical perspective
- Pure Living Space.co
- Anandtech.com
- Healthline.com
- Washington.edu UW News "Scented Laundry Products Emit Hazardous Chemicals Through Dryer Vents" by Hannah Hickey

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### DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Defensible space, along with home hardening, is essential to improve your home's chance of surviving a wildfire!

Defensible Space

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# Talk to Nate.

Drawing by Colton Evans





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Nate Farnell Branch Leader

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By Lori Kelley & GDRA Defensible Space Team

Firewa

To help protect your home and surroundings, GDRA recently launched, in line with our Defensible Space Policy, a new Defensible Space Program. Staff has been hired to inspect all Glenshire/ Devonshire properties and you should expect to see them at your door through summer and fall. It is not feasible to inspect all properties this year, so we may see you next year. We do hope to recruit volunteer inspectors in the future to increase the impact of this program. Inspections will follow the State Public Resource Code 4291 which is a defensible space program requiring maintenance of vegetation on the property within the guidelines. This will be ongoing in our community as wildfire is a primary threat.

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The easier to solve defensible space items include removing pine needles off your roof, removing pine needles and dead /downed material from the ground, remove vegetation and flammable items adjacent to or below decks. Regulations require that you clear 30 feet from your house. Please note, when using tarps to cover firewood, they should be of a natural or neutral color, no bright colors.

The inspection form and detailed descriptions can be found on our Firewise page at glenshiredevonshire.com so that you can review them and understand what defensible inspectors will be looking at. Inspectors will try to contact the landowner before inspecting a property. If any questions, please contact defensible space staff at defspace@glenshiredevonshire.com or 530.587.6202.

Defensible space, along with home hardening, is essential to improve your home's chance of surviving a wildfire!



# RIGHT THING, WRONG WAY.

Whether working to create 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.

### Mowing

Mow before 10am, but never when it's windy or excessively dry. Lawn mowers are designed to mow lawns, not weeds or dry grass. Metal blades striking rocks can create sparks and start fires. Use caution.

### Spark Arresters

In wildland areas, spark arresters are required on all portable gasoline-powered equipment. This includes tractors, harvesters, chainsaws, weed-eaters and mowers.

- 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 it off.

### Equipment Use

In wildland areas, grinding and welding operations require a permit and 10 feet of clearance. Keep a shovel and a fire extinguisher ready to use.

- Don't drive your vehicle onto dry grass or brush. Hot exhaust pipes and mufflers can start fires that you won't even see - until it's too late!
- Keep a cell phone nearby and call 911 immediately in case of fire.



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# PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF

### Preparing for the Possibility

Liberty is working year-round to mitigate the risk of a wildfire caused by electrical infrastructure. While we are making great strides to address the safety and reliability of our grid, extreme fire conditions may still warrant preemptive de-energization measures, also known as a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS). Therefore,

### Are you prepared for a

# Public Safety Power Shutoff?





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Build or restock an emergency kit Including flashlights, batteries and first aid supplies. For additional

emergency kit necessities, consult Ready.gov.



Prepare for medical needs

Make plans for medications that need refrigeration or devices that need power.

For more information about how to prepare for a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS), visit www.LibertyUtilities.com planning for and knowing what to expect from a PSPS will aid your wildfire protection and preparedness efforts.

### What Constitutes Extreme Fire Weather?

A PSPS is reserved for times when fire weather conditions are at their most extreme, and de-energizing a portion of the electrical grid is the prudent decision to best protect our customers, communities, and the environment.

Many of the same factors that are used by fire agencies to determine a Red Flag warning are also considered when determining if weather conditions warrant a PSPS. Liberty has deployed weather stations throughout the service area and collaborates with a fire and weather scientific consultant, the National Weather Service in Reno, Nevada, and local fire officials to monitor real-time local weather conditions to evaluate when to activate a PSPS.

No single factor will drive a PSPS. A combination of factors reaching or exceeding set limits drives whether a PSPS will be initiated. Some of these factors include:

- Low Humidity Levels Potential fuels are more likely to ignite when there is a lower amount of water vapor in the air.
- Forecast Sustained Winds and Gusts High winds can result in several factors that may cause a fire to ignite. Sustained winds



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can also cause the fire to spread and even throw embers into the air and create additional fires.

- Dry Fuel Conditions Trees and other vegetation act as fuel for wildfires. Fuels with low moisture levels ignite easily and spread rapidly, as no heat energy is wasted trying to drive water out of the fuel.
- Red Flag Warnings The National Weather Service issues these warnings to alert of the onset, or possible onset, of critical weather or dry conditions that would lead to swift increases in wildfire activity.

### How Will We Know if a PSPS is Activated?

Advance notification is critical in any PSPS scenario, and Liberty will alert customers, public safety partners, the community, and others at the earliest opportunity. When possible, Liberty will directly notify customers of a PSPS approximately 48 hours before power is shut off, 24 hours before power is shut off, just before power is shut off, during the PSPS, and once power has safely been restored. Direct notification is the best, most effective way to keep customers apprised of a PSPS event. We strongly encourage every customer to call Liberty at 1.800.782.2506 to confirm their contact information is current. If you have a friend or loved one with access and functional needs, help them update their contact information, and consider adding yourself as a secondary contact. Customers with medical equipment that relies on electricity may be eligible for the medical baseline allowance, and those enrolled may also receive priority PSPS information. Call 1.800.782.2506 to see if you qualify.

In addition to direct PSPS notifications and updates, Liberty will post outage information at www.libertyutilities.com, as well as on Facebook (@LibertyUtilitiesLT) and Twitter (@LibertyUtil\_CA).

Knowing if a PSPS event is coming, how long it will last, and whom it will affect is an important first step to being prepared for and staying safe and comfortable should a PSPS event occur.

### How do I Prepare?

Once you have confirmed your contact information is current, PSPS preparation is not much different from any power outage preparation. Customers should consider the following, so that their homes, businesses, and families are prepared:

- Plan for medical needs that may be impacted by a power shutoff, including medications that need refrigeration or devices that require power. Be sure to register any medical-related energy needs at 1.800.782.2506.
- Create an emergency kit, including flashlights, batteries, first aid supplies and maps of the local area. For additional emergency kit necessities, consult Ready.gov.
- Store non-perishable foods and water to support your family and pets for a minimum of 48 hours.
- Keep a full tank of gas or a fully charged battery for your vehicle, as gas and charging stations may be affected by a power outage
- Keep cash available, as ATMs and credit card machines may be unavailable during a power outage.
- Be sure phones and other critical electronic devices are charged, and consider investing in a backup battery or power source, potentially one that can recharge with solar.

Liberty's top priority is the safety of customers and our communities, and we take precautions to keep our beautiful region safe from the risk of wildfire. To learn more about our wildfire mitigation program, call 1.800.782.2506 or visit LibertyUtilities.com.



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### BOARD CANDIDATE STAEMENTS

August 11, 2021 Board Meeting & Meet the Candidates at 6pm



### Julia Collins

**Occupation** Director of Development for The JMT Wilderness Conservancy

### **Board Experience**

I have 15 years of non-profit board management experience. Currently I serve on the Alumni Association Board for St. Andrew's School, and on the Alumni Advisory Board for Colorado College.

### **Management Experience**

Through my work at non-profits over the past 20 years I have worn every hat in project management. I managed a full-time staff of 5, including restructuring departments through growth. I have expertise in events, relationship management with clients and volunteers, and managing multi-year projects with budgets of 25M+.

### What I have to offer & why I want to be on the Board

I bring a combination of experience in communications, facilities and rental management, and a strong knowledge of meadow restoration, aquatic ecology, and trail maintenance.

I want to join the board to better understand the ranging priorities of the community and contribute my solutions-oriented talents to address pressing issues like preserving our natural environment, fire preparedness, but also to maintain our smalltown neighborly culture.

There are three Board seats up for the 2021 election, and four candidates running. Please join the August 11th Board meeting to meet the candidates and learn what they can bring as a benefit to Glenshire/Devonshire. Meeting login and election details at glenshiredevonshire.com

### Question for the candidates? Please email info@glenshiredevonshire.com your best question (less than 25 words) before August 11th.



### Claudia Hanson, Incumbent

### Occupation

Planning Manager for the City of Reno

### **Board Experience**

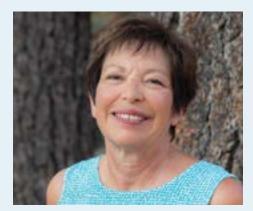
- Currently President of the GDRA Board of Directors,
- Board 2.5 years, also served on CC&R review committee.
- Served on Washoe County HOME Consortium for past 10 years/chair for past 2 years.
- Staff liaison for Reno Planning Comm. & Historical Resources Comm.

### Management Experience:

Planning Manager, City of Reno for past 15 years, managing a staff of up to 21 FTEs; liaison to City Council; managed review of development applications, zoning code amendments and Master Plan amendments.

### What I have to offer & why I want to be on the Board

Our family has resided in Glenshire since 1998; excellent knowledge of land use development regulations and issues; BS in City and Regional Planning, School of Architecture, Cal Poly; 25 years as a city planner for City of Reno; extensive experience in staff management, public meetings, and problem solving; excellent communication and leadership skills; avid cyclist, hiker, and open water swimmer with a passion to help protect our surrounding environment.



### Carla Embertson

Occupation Independent Business Owner/Travel Agent

### **Board Experience**

Past President, GDRA Board

### **Management Experience**

Many years in managerial positions in my career and with non-profits.

### What I have to offer & why I want to be on the Board

Having served on the board and then stepping away I clearly see the need for prioritizing improved communication and a higher level of customer service to the members by the staff and the board. In person accessibility is vital.

I would like to also see more involvement by members through volunteer opportunities in the key areas of fire safety on Association owned property and limited pool use and rising pool costs. I think that there should be recognition of outstanding Firewise efforts on personal properties throughout the community with the goal of increased neighborhood participation.

I would return to the board with a fresh set of eyes and understanding to help the staff and the board prioritize member experience and needs.



### Kathleen Raber, Incumbent

**Occupation** Cosmetologist

### **Board Experience**

Currently active on the Glenshire Devonshire Board. Held a position on a Board for Women of Worth, held a position on the PTO Board, held a position on Safe & Sober Grad Board.

### **Management Experience**

I am a sole proprietor. I own a hair salon here in Truckee.

### What I have to offer & why I want to be on the Board

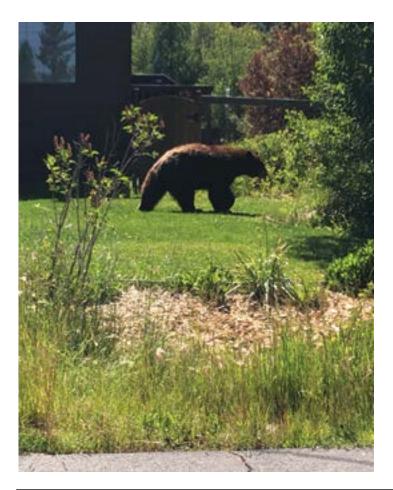
I am a long standing community member who raised two children in this community. I plan on staying here for many more years and would like to contribute to keeping Glenshire Devonshire a great place to reside.



A legal quorum is 25% participation by membership, which are 340 ballots. Avoid incurring costs of a second mailing!



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# BEAR ALERT

One of the best things about living in Glenshire is the diversity of native wildlife that frequents our neighborhood. Deer move through and forage (occasionally on flowers or gardens). Bobcats have been photographed lounging on residents' decks. Coyotes are a fixture year round (keep your cats and small dogs inside!).

Bears are a magnificent representative of Sierra wildlife, and have always visited Glenshire. Recently a young bear looking like it was in great health and overall condition has visited some of the eastern portion of the neighborhood. It's extremely important for us to do everything possible to inhibit this youngster from becoming conditioned to associate houses with sources of high energy food.

If this bear decides to do its grocery shopping in or around our houses, it's not good for its health and more importantly, inevitably there will be a break-in or aggressive interaction with a human, and either of those will spell the end of this wonderful creature's short life. Nobody wants that!

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# **EYES ON THE LAKE**

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"Citizen scientist" volunteers identify and report aquatic invasive species threatening lakes, creeks and streams.

# JOIN US THIS SUMMER. SIGN UP AT KEEPTAHOEBLUE.ORG/EVENTS

### IN-PERSON TRAINING

Wednesday, July 14 | 2 -4 pm @Tahoe Keys, South Lake Tahoe

### ZOOM TRAININGS

Thursday, June 17 | 2 - 4 pm Friday, July 23 | 2 - 4 pm Thursday, August 19 | 2 - 4 pm Wednesday, September 22 | 10 am - noon

Tahoe Boat Inspections will co-host the trainings to help attendees identify and understand the impacts of aquatic invasive mussels. They will also provide training to become a certified Tahoe Keeper.





Thursday, June 24 | 9 am - 1 pm @ Martis Creek Lake & Dry Lake

Friday, July 30 | 10 am - noon @ Glenshire Pond

Thursday, August 26 | 9 am - 1 pm @ Summit Lake

Wednesday, September 29 | 9 am - 1 pm @ Coldstream and Donner Ponds

Eyes on the Lake is expanding into Truckee thanks to a generous grant from the Martis Fund, a collaborative project of Martis Camp landowners, DMB/Highlands Group (the developers of Martis Camp), Mountain Area Preservation (MAP), and Sierra Watch.



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So help preserve our wildlife. If you don't have a metal animalresistant trash can enclosure, don't put any trash with food odors out until Thursday morning. If you have bird feeders containing seeds, ensure that these are not accessible in any way to a foraging bear. If it's less than about 12-15 feet high above the ground or deck, or if it's hanging from a tree, or if it's supported by a rope or cord or cable so that you can retrieve it without a ladder, then a bear can get it. Mother bears know to encourage their cubs to go to spots that she couldn't get into, or out onto branches that won't support her weight. A typical bird feeder contains half or up to three-quarters of a bear's



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- Leave garage door closed if you store any food in your garage - freezers, refrigerators, pet food, trash

daily caloric intake. That's really easy pickings compared with foraging all day for carpenter ant nests and other natural foods.

It's fun to have birds at our houses. But summertime is a period of very high availability of food for seed-eating birds, so they'll be fine without any supplement at this time (or really any time of year, with all of our diverse habitats). But a bear that becomes conditioned to raid houses or yards for food won't be. If you wish to supplement birds' diets, it's much better to do so in a thinly scattered fashion, and ideally only by means of plants that supply nectar, fruits, or seeds that they eat rather than concentrated purchased bird food.

To learn more about bears in our Truckee/Tahoe area and how to keep them wild, please visit:

www.tahoebears.org/learn-more www.savebears.org www.parks.ca.gov/NewsRelease/885





Living in the wildland urban interface, the threat of wildfire is a fact of life. Those of us that live here know that with the great beauty that surrounds us comes great responsibility, both for our natural surroundings and for our neighbors.

# A MUST SEE WEBINAR

Home hardening and preparing for evacuation may sound intimidating and costly, but the panel of experts brought together by GDRA's board and staff for a webinar on the topic did an excellent job of making it accessible. Bob Womack, Truckee's Emergency Manager, outlined the evacuation process. Knowing your zone is key; visit community.zonehaven.com to see yours. During the webinar, national fire safety and materials expert Daniel Gorham spoke about how you can be selective in choosing different materials for enhanced fire resistance. Darcey Messner from the Town of Truckee covered permitting details, including the WUI checklist. Nate Christensen from Tahoe Donner's forestry program reiterated the

importance of defensible space, and how you'll want to swap your yard's wood chips for gravel next time you're in landscaping mode. Adrian Juncosa, our Board vice president, covered home hardening upgrades such as exchanging 5 feet of wood fencing closest to the house for metal.

It's reassuring how small improvements to our homes can increase the chances of making it through a wildfire event with minimal damage. Look at photos of the Camp Fire aftermath to understand homes with some measure of hardening stood a much better chance of surviving than those that didn't.

Our awareness is heightened, and every red flag day puts us a little more on alert. Perhaps those are the best days to sweep pine needles off our deck and roof, and ask a neighbor if they want help trimming bushes. If the past year has taught us anything, it's that the only way we're going to get through times like this is together.



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### BULLETIN BOARD

Please don't let your pets chase wildlife and don't put trash in pet waste receptacles. (Trash bin at gazebo)

### **Remember To Log Defensible Space Hours**

GDRA needs all Residents to log in Defensible Space hours performed on their property! Click on "Log Your Defensible Space Time" button at glenshiredevonshire.com. Help your Association remain a Firewise Community! Visit glenshiredevonshire.com to log your hours. Contact GDRA office with any questions. When an entire community gathers together to make the neighborhood a better place, everyone benefits! Thank you!

### Sign-up For Nixle

Nixle is a communication tool utilized by the Truckee Police Department and Truckee & Northstar Fire Departments to provide important communications to the community through email and text messages. Signing up is fast, easy and free. For more info visit to www.nixle.com and sign up today.

### **Clubhouse Dumpster**

We can offer our dumpster to Members if there is room. Please contact us 24 hrs in advance to schedule. <u>Wednesdays are</u> <u>preferred</u>. All bags must be tightly tied and no cardboard allowed please.

### glenshiredevonshire.com

Visit our website for links to fire safety info, the latest road conditions & local road web cams, Glenshire Drive road construction, Board meeting highlights and more...

### **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, don't let your pets chase wildlife and don't put trash in pet waste receptacles. (Trash bins at gazebo)





### Fireworks And Bottle Rockets Are Illegal

Per the NFPA, Fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires per year, including 1,300 structure fires, 300 vehicle fires, and 16,900 wildland fires. In 2018, these fires caused an average of three deaths, 40 civilian injuries, and an average of \$43 million in direct property damage. All fireworks are banned in Nevada and Placer County, except permitted public display fireworks that are issued a permit by the local fire administration, authority having jurisdiction (TFPD). Town of Truckee Ordinance 2015-05 amending the municipal code Chapter 9 - section 9.15.050 prohibits fireworks

### FIREWORKS NOT ALLOWED

Fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires per year, including 1,300 structure fires, 300 vehicle fires and 16,900 wildfires!

within the town limits, except for permitted public display fireworks that are permitted by TFPD. This ban includes Safe & Sane fireworks.

Residents can report illegal fireworks by calling the **Nevada County Sheriff Non-emergency Dispatch Line 530.550.2320.** Truckee Police Department will be the responding unit within the town limits. **The penalty for possession and use per the municipal code is a misdemeanor that could result in a fine or even jail time.** 



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# First 6 Months of 2021 Glenshire/Devonshire Stats

Sold Properties - 23 Avg. Price Per SqFt. - \$450 Med. Sales Price - \$898K Avg. Sales Price - \$950K



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