January Board Meeting Report

The first Board meeting of 2000 was held on January 22 at the Little residence. Board member John Barlow reported that he had spoken with a landowner and that the problem of a barking dog on Streamside Drive had resolved.

**Board & Committee Reports**

Treasurer William Widmaier reported that, for the year ending December 31, 1999, receipts had exceeded disbursements by $2124.19. Landowner assessments collected during that period totaled $41,813.55; total budgeted assessments for 1999 were $41,145. As of December 31, cash balances were $3014.26 in the checking account and $87,764.77 in the savings account, for a total of $85,279.03. The major expenditure in January 2000 was the annual insurance premium of $2752, which was less than last year’s premium—for better coverage—and less than the budgeted amount of $3500. Mr. Widmaier also reported the U.S. Forest Service had been paid $75 for road use through 1997, for which The Retreat had not been billed for several years. It was discussed whether this item should be added to the annual budget.

Assistant Treasurer Ken Cooper reported that four properties had changed ownership since the November 1999 Board meeting: Jack and Marilyn Bedford purchased Filing 1, Lot 45 from the Jorends; Filing 1, Lot 79 was conveyed to Richard & Linda Madsen by Olin and Linda Tomlin; Mrs. Madsen’s parents; Filing 2, Lot 31 was inherited by Cynthia Knipple, following the death of her mother, Doris Knipple; and Kirk and Ruth Harrison purchased Filing 2, Lot 29 from Mrs. Harrison’s parents, Charles and Patti Heidebrecht. The purchase of the Heidebrecht’s second lot by the Harrisons brings the total number of RLA landowners to 221.

Mr. Cooper also reported that, as of January 20, 115 full assessments had been received, including six of 11 from Bulwark Ridge Owners Association members, who pay $250, versus $200 for RLA members. Some assessment payments did not include the $50 Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department donations, which were voted for by the membership at the 1998 Annual Meeting and are mandatory. Reminders will be sent to landowners who

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One of several “Slow” signs posted on Retreat roads by the Road Committee.
(This one is on Streamside Drive.)
There are a few extra signs on hand, so if you want to suggest a spot where one should be posted, please call a member of the Road Committee.
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did not make the $50 payment.

Architectural Control Committee Chairmen Dennis Bicknell reported that the cabin previously approved for Resurrection Fellowship Church on Filing 1, Lot 9 would not be built, and that a new design was being prepared; Laurence Nicholl and Joe Barracough will build a small extension onto the storage shed at one end of their carport. Tim and Linda Stolz will proceed with a previously approved addition to their cabin at 712 Copper Hill Road; approval of Terry and Lynn Olson’s driveway application on Filing 4, Lot 28 was anticipated shortly; a written agreement between Kirk and Ruth Harrison, new owners of Filing 2, Lot 29, and Jack and Margaret Jordan, owners of Filing 2, Lot 28 will result in a joint driveway serving both lots.

Mr. Bicknell also mentioned two of the new county planning regulations: the clearing of trees near buildings and distances regarding slope requirements; more information will be given to RLA members as it is obtained.

Mr. Bicknell and Road Committee Co-Chair Stephen Little toured The Retreat, making note of driveway conditions. Letters will be sent to some landowners, drawing attention to possible improvements or commending their efforts.

Road Committee Co-Chair John Barlow reported that partial snow plowing had been done in areas the sun doesn’t reach in winter. Co-Chair Steve Little had received a request for a second convex mirror on County Road 43 at Streamside Drive; the feasibility of installing a second mirror will be investigated. Mr. Little reported that the backhoe had been repaired and a new battery installed, and that reflectors had been placed as warnings on some trees and posts on Retreat roads.

Spring road work will include culvert cleaning and installation of new culvert at

Correction to the July 31, 1999, Board Meeting Report: The Board took two actions without a meeting, by telephone vote: It approved the payment of $300 to the RLA legal counsel, Mr. Ed Guiducci, for his attendance at the 1999 Annual Meeting. It also approved the printing of motion preambles in the newsletter.

Thanks to Duke Sumonia for this timely news:
Larimer County property tax and other information is available on the Internet at www.co.larimer.us

The newsletter editor regrets there are no photos of the Winter Pot Luck on February 12. A blinding blizzard struck just as she was leaving for the pot luck.

In Memoriam

The members of The Retreat Landowners Association extend their sympathy to

The family of Doris Knippe, who passed away on September 3, 1999, and to

Sonya Spencer, widow of Gerald Spencer, who passed away in May 1999. The Spencers were among the first Retreat residents; Jerry designed the RLA logo which is on the RLA letterhead and on the windshield of most Retreat residents’ cars.
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Tony Besson’s driveway (to be paid for by Mr. Besson) and, possibly, at Barking Coyote Court.

Mr. Little suggested The Retreat consider buying an older pickup truck with a blade for snow plowing, in case current snow-plow operator Ron Ellis is unavailable. Using the grader for snow plowing is not recommended.

Other Business

Marvin Gee reported that Thomas Maitland had been notified that The Retreat had set aside funds to pay half of the two Handly Ditch water shares held by Mr. Maitland, but that no response had been received. Dale Alps expressed concern that the assessments be paid and the shares transferred to The Retreat’s possession before interest is incurred.

John Barlow reported he had spoken with a member of the Cook family about gunshots heard in The Retreat a few months earlier, and that the Cook family realized they had not gone far enough into the forest and would take proper precautions in the future.

Mr. Gee stated that attendance at the Annual Meeting had dwindled over the past few years until there is now barely a quorum to transact business. He suggested that the agenda and length of reports need to be controlled to avoid long, drawn-out meetings; some reports could be distributed in written form. Mr. Alps noted that most landowners attend in order to socialize. Ms. Traban suggested door prizes of goods and services solicited from local merchants. More ideas and discussion were planned for the March Board meeting.

Following a motion that RLA members be discouraged from directly contacting consultants retained by the Board, particularly the parliamentarian, Mr. Barlow suggested the parliamentarian be advised that she is not obligated to honor these requests; the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Little said RLA member Al Cunningham, who volunteers his time to work on Retreat roads and is sometimes called upon to make decisions about the roads, was interested in becoming a member of the Road Committee. Mr. Cunningham will be asked to send the Board a letter requesting to be on the Road Committee.

Breakthrough Planting & Watering Tip

By Victoria McCoy

Everyone in The Retreat gets water from a well and is subject to Colorado’s restrictions, or has it trucked in at some expense and bother. In addition, a “major” drought is predicted for this year in Colorado (Denver Post, February 5, 2000). So, water is something we all want to use with great care.

The virtually unknown wicking method, a tip from Sandy at Mountain View Nursery in Loveland, will allow us to plant and water new trees and bushes while obeying the water laws and conserving water — and saving our own energy.

Wick Watering Method

Obtain a one- or two-gallon plastic water container for each new plant, depending on the size of the plant. Purchase a length of 100% cotton rope (all or part polyester doesn’t work); Country General in Loveland carries 50-foot packages of cotton rope.

Dig a smaller hole next to the planting hole, or an extra-large planting hole. Put an empty plastic container, with the filling hole up, in the separate planting hole, or as far as possible from the stem of the new plant in the single large hole.

Cut a length of cotton rope long enough to go from the bottom of the plastic container, out through the fill hole, and around the root ball of the new plant several times.

Soak the planting hole with water, set the new plant, wrap the root ball with rope, and fill in the hole(s) with dirt leaving just the plastic container’s fill hole exposed: pile dirt on top of the container. Water the new plant well.

Fill the container with water. Water will be drawn from the container, along the rope, and around the root ball, providing just the right amount of constant moisture new plants need. Check the water container occasionally, filling it when necessary from a watering can — no hose-lugging!

And, you can fill that watering can with cold water that runs out of the faucet while you’re waiting for hot water, or from a rain barrel filled by your roof gutters.

A win-win solution, thanks to Sandy!

The Wicking Method of Planting and Watering
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Contact Mr. Barlow or Mr. Little if you have questions or suggestions about road maintenance or snowplowing.

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Address Correction Requested
March Board Meeting Report

The lively March Board meeting was further enhanced by Maynard Whitney, a long-time RLA member presently living in Oregon, who stopped by to "put faces to names" of Board members.

Board & Committee Reports

Treasurer William Widmaier reported that, as of March 25, 2000, the RLA's net assets, including cash and equipment, totaled $119,198.52.

Assistant Treasurer Ken Cooper reported that no properties had changed ownership since the January 2000 Board meeting; the total number of RLA landowners remains 221.

Mr. Cooper also reported that, as of March 17, eight landowners, two of whom are Bulwark Ridge members, had failed to pay any portion of this year's annual assessments; final reminder letters will be sent, prior to liens being initiated.

Mr. Cooper stated that he and his wife, Marcia, requested the Board to begin actively seeking replacements for their positions. See article on page 3.

Architectural Control Committee Chairman Dennis Bicknell reported that Kent and Patricia Mills (Filing 2, Lot 57, Copper Hill Road) received approval for a cabin and that construction was under way; Wayne Grooms and Sharon Snyder (Filing 4, Lots 13-14, Millert Fork Road) received approval for a cabin on Lot 13 and a temporary tool-storage shed on Lot 14; Kirk and Ruth Harrison (Filing 2, Lot 29, Streamside Drive) received approval of their building application, and work was continuing on their driveway and house site; and the cabin application submitted by Ralph and Roberta Brethauer (Filing 1, Lot 69, Dunraven Glade Road) was under consideration.

Mr. Bicknell also reported that Mr. and Mrs. Mills submitted survey information showing that Copper Hill Road is mislabeled and is actually on their land by a considerable distance. Road Committee Co-Chair John Barlow stated that, if it had to be moved off the Mills' land, the new road would have a greater than 25% grade — steeper than the steepest part of the

Replacement of the bridge on County Road 43 between The Retreat and Glen Haven was undertaken in Fall 1999. The picture at right was taken in early November 1999. This turned out to be quite a massive project, lasting about three months. All but the repaving of the road was finished in December 1999; as of late March 2000, that had yet to be done. The road was kept open the entire time due to the efforts of residents who attended a meeting with the Larimer County Road Department in April 1998.

The Retreat's Marcella Bicknell was instrumental in persuading the County to go to the trouble of building a temporary bypass.
March Board Meeting Report

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County Road 43 switchbacks. The Millises said the road was not a problem and did not interfere with their site location. Mr. Bicknell suggested the Board address the problem through the RLA attorney and make the necessary agreements so correct plat maps could be filed.

Road Committee Co-Chair John Barlow stated that Spring road maintenance would commence in about six weeks, and that ditch work would be included, although the ditches are in better condition than usual.

Road-surface improvement will include stone being laid down in Spring and overlay in Summer. The next priorities are Bulwark Ridge and the western extremes of Miller Fork Road. Complaints have been received about the road surface on Solitude Court and Corner Court.

Mr. Barlow reported that RLA member Ron Ellis had resigned as snow-plow contractor and that Retreat resident Paul Howarth had replaced him on a temporary basis. The Retreat is still looking for a used pickup truck and plow for next season’s snow removal.

Other Business

RLA member Victoria McCoy suggested the RLA Board and the Glen Haven Association Board cooperate in putting on Fire Days, the Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department’s 20-year-old annual fundraiser, now that the GHA VFD has given up the effort. It was agreed that the two Boards would meet and discuss the possibility.

RLA member Guy McCoy asked the Board to have any agreement it made with Larry and Violet Carpenter, owners of the former Forest Service land within The Retreat, formalized in writing, and to present it to the membership at the Annual Meeting for ratified.

Mr. McCoy also volunteered to research the pros and cons of a Metropolitan Road District and present a paper to the Board about the issue.

Welcome Committee Back in Business

RLA member Pam Nuttall of Fort Collins has volunteered to act as the Welcoming Committee. As a certified Nutritionalist student, she is in the process of consolidating this with her 13 years of nursing and most recent five years as caretaker to begin Wall Spring of Life Nutritional counseling and personal chef services. She can be reached at 970-226-2676. The Board gratefully accepts Mrs. Nuttall’s expertise on behalf of The Retreat.

Letters to the Editor

The Letters to the Editor policy has been reinstated for one year, starting with the July/August 2000 newsletter. The policy will be reviewed at the September 2001 Board meeting.

The guidelines are that letters:
- must be courteous;
- must be factual;
- are subject to space availability;
- are subject to editing;
- are limited to two per year per RLA member;
- will be considered for inclusion in five newsletters only: January/February, March/April, July/August, September/October and November/December. The May/June issue is devoted to matters concerning the Annual Meeting.

Articles are also welcome. Please send letters and articles to Newsletter Editor, P. O. Box 29, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

RLA Classified Ads

Assistant Treasurer

This crucial position provides an annual remuneration of $200. Duties include:
- mailing assessment statements;
- receiving payments;
- maintaining and printing the Landowners Directory.

See article on page 3 for more information.

To apply for the position of Assistant Treasurer, contact Board President Marcille Trahan at 970-330-6396.

Corresponding Secretary

Interesting duties include:
- picking up the mail from the RLA post office box in Glen Haven and distributing it;
- making copies of Board minutes and sending them out (mailing labels supplied);
- being responsible for proxies before and during the Annual Meeting;
- handling registration of landowners as they enter the building for the Annual Meeting;
- determining if a quorum is present at the Annual Meeting.

Marcille Trahan, former Corresponding Secretary, will answer questions of interested parties. To volunteer as Corresponding Secretary, contact Board President Marcille Trahan at 970-330-6396.
Assistant Treasurer(s) Needed

Since 1995, RLA members Ken and Marcia Cooper have been performing, with unparalleled efficiency and conscientiousness, one of the most important jobs in The Retreat — that of Assistant Treasurer — and they're ready to turn it over to other RLA members now.

Following are the main duties of this office: Board President Marcie Trahan has the complete job description.

Annual Assessments
1) Late December, mail annual assessment statements to landowners.
2) In February, send courtesy reminders to those who haven't paid yet.
3) About April 1, send final request for payment.
4) About May 1, request attorney to prepare liens against non-payers.
5) File liens with Larimer County clerk.
6) When late assessments are paid, request attorney to prepare lien releases.
7) File lien releases with County clerk.
8) Report to Board about payment status of assessments at bi-monthly meetings.

Income
1) Collect amounts due and keep records of receipts along with current owners of every lot.
2) Compute and add interest to all unpaid accounts.
3) Deposit all funds in designated bank and notify Treasurer of all deposits and their sources.
4) Answer inquiries from attorneys, title companies, financial institutions, etc.
5) Collect $100 transfer fees when property is sold.
6) Keep track of split: RLA/GHAYFDP payments.

Other Duties
1) Produce the Membership Directory for distribution at the Annual Meeting.
2) Prepare and mail out new-member packets containing Retreat maps, decals, newsletters, etc.

These positions pay a total of $200 per year. Anyone interested in gaining wealth, power and fame is asked to contact Mrs. Trahan at 970-330-5196.

Board Candidates Sought

Three RLA Board positions will be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

The three Board members whose terms expire — Dale Alps, John Barlow and Steve Little — have agreed to run again, and RLA member Guy McCoy has declared his candidacy. All RLA members in good standing are encouraged to run.

To nominate any RLA member, contact anyone on the Nominating Committee.
Gene Petri, Chairman: 970-686-7735
John Barlow: 970-386-2582
Marcella Bicknell: 970-386-1034
Ralph Brethauer: 970-454-2518

Calling All Writers

RLA member Duke Sumonia is looking for a competent writer who can turn his material on The Retreat into a history book.

Mr. Sumonia bought his Retreat property in 1972 and took photographs every summer from that year till 1986 when he and his wife built their house here. He has original photos and other material from the developers of The Retreat. He also has all newsletters dating back to 1972; most Board minutes; contemporary newspaper articles; flood photos; material on Lord Dunraven and surrounding towns; an 1871 newspaper account of the accidental death of Miller (whose name was given to Miller Fork Creek and Miller Fork Road), and a number of books about the area.

Mr. Sumonia will be glad to share this material with anyone wishing to write a history of The Retreat; he's also willing to help conduct further research.

Contact Mr. Sumonia at P.O. Box 114, Glen Haven, CO 80532; 970-586-8505. E-mail: dukeair@aol.com

Directory & Property Changes
(Please note changes in your copy of the Landowners Directory)

E. V. & P. D. Jenkins’ mailing address has changed to: c/o FCO (Yaounde), King Charles St, London SW1A 2AH, UK.

Gary & Arlene Spahn have moved to 2701 N. Grapevine Mills Blvd., Apt. 1612, Grapevine, TX 76051-2066.

Mark & Melinda Thomas have moved to 1010 W. Cheyenne Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80906-2458.
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Address Correction Requested
May Board Meeting Report

The May Board meeting started off with comments by landowners and Board members. Jan Ricker suggested the road signs on Bulwark Ridge be repainted, and Al Cunningham noted the growing number of realtor’s directional signs (more about that later in the meeting). Also, Marvin Gee passed on a request from ACC Chairman Dennis Bicknell that RLA members who do not have windshield stickers acquire and use them. Write to RLA Stickers, P. O. Box 160, Glen Haven, CO 80532, to request a new sticker whenever you acquire a new vehicle.

Board & Committee Reports

Treasurer William Widmaier’s report included the information that, as of May 15, 2000, the RLA’s net assets totaled $113,818.72.

Assistant Treasurer Ken Cooper’s report noted that there had been three ownership changes since the March Board meeting; the total number of RLA landowners remains 221.

Mr. Cooper’s report mentioned that all the “friendly reminder” letters resulted in assessments being paid for the year 2000; one landowner indicated the 1999 payment would also be made.

Regarding GHAVF contributions, 55 landowners mailed $50 checks directly to the Fire Department; the RLA sent an $8,250 check for the 165 landowners whose payments accompanied their assessments.

Architectural Control Committee Chairman Dennis Bicknell’s report stated that Resurrection Fellowship and Rev. Stocker have submitted a new plan for a cabin on Lot 9, Filling 1, Miller Fork Road; this plan has been approved. Also, John Cooper received approval for a small storage shed on Lot 18, Filling 1, 719 Streamside Drive.

Road Committee Co-Chair Steve Little stated that Copper Hill Road from Fisherman’s Lane to Miller Fork Road has been graded and the washboard surface removed. The potholes on Black Creek and Lower Streamside were filled.

The Committee has a list of Spring projects, beginning with ditching, grading Continued on page 2.
May Board Meeting Report

Almost all the culverts on Bulwark Ridge and Miller Fork roads are clogged and must be cleared before grading work starts.

Subsequent ditching, grading and road-base projects are planned for many Retreat roads. The Committee anticipates that substantial funds will be kept in reserve to support further road repair in the fall.

The Board voted to allow the Road Committee to spend up to $1000 of the $5000 in the Equipment Fund to repair and outfit an old truck donated by the GHA VFD for use to apply water to new roads.

The refurbished truck would also serve as a back-up water-supply vehicle in case of fire. It is estimated that having this truck in operation could reduce the Retreat’s insurance rate by one point.

Co-Chair John Barlow and Board member Dale Alps are investigating the purchase of a pickup truck and blade for snowplowing.

The Corresponding Secretary’s report was given by Board President Marcille Trahan, who read a letter from RLA member Catherine Ellis suggesting that a glass-fronted bulletin board where realtors’ signs could be posted more attractively be erected at the entrance to Retreat. The discussion resulted in the decision, instead, to send reminder letters to local realtors asking them to post a maximum of two signs: one at the Retreat entrance and one on the property for sale. If directions are required, they should be on flyers available at the entrance sign. Mr. Little reminded the Board that County law does not allow such signs on road right-of-ways; such regulations are usually not enforced, but the county could be asked to start.

The Newsletter Editor asked that the Board set a deadline for receipt of the Annual Meeting minutes so the newsletter could be mailed in a timely manner, which the Board agreed to do.

Other Business

Marcille Trahan prepared Amended Bylaws, as passed at the July 1999 Annual Meeting. Copies will be available at the July 29, 2000, Annual Meeting, or by written request to RLA Bylaws, P. O. Box 160, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

Plans for the Annual Meeting were discussed at length. See box on page 3. Other issues covered in separate articles are a Covenant Violation meeting, Proxies and a Pine Beetle update.

RLA member Guy McCoy presented a report on the general regulations and pros and cons of a Metropolitan Road District or Local Improvement District. The Board asked for further information, which Mr. McCoy will obtain before the next Board meeting.

A meeting between members of the RLA Board and the Glen Haven Association Board will be planned to discuss the possibility of the two organizations taking over the production of Fire Days.

The Board’s formal appointment of RLA member Jan Ricker as Corresponding Secretary wound up the May business meeting.

The second Landowner Comments period drew information about water rights from Duke Sumonia and about the possibility of using Small Claims Court suits to enforce the Covenants from Guy McCoy.

Voting by Proxy?
Here’s How

If you absolutely positively cannot attend the Annual Meeting on July 29, please vote by proxy, using the form you will receive in a special Annual Meeting packet at the beginning of July. Here’s the procedure:

1) Fill in the form.
2) Mail it to: Annual Meeting Proxies, P. O. Box 160, Glen Haven, CO 80532. It must be received at the Post Office by the Wednesday prior to the Annual Meeting; in 2000, that date will be July 26. Do not mail it to the person you’re designating as your proxy.
3) Call or write to the person you want to vote your proxy, advising him or her how you wish your vote to be cast.

Note to proxy recipients: If you do receive a proxy form, it’s your responsibility to mail it to the RLA address above for receipt by July 26.

RTA CLASSIFIED AD

Assistant Treasurer

This crucial position provides an annual remuneration of $200. Duties include:

• mailing assessment statements;
• receiving payments;
• maintaining and printing the Landowners Directory. See article in the March/April 2000 newsletter for more information.

To apply for the position of Assistant Treasurer, contact Board President Marcille Trahan at 970-330-6396.
Covenant Enforcement Meeting Set

RLA Board members have been discussing how to deal with Covenant violations in The Retreat, considering how to balance their legal obligation to enforce the Covenants with fairness to landowners. At the May meeting, it was proposed by Marvin Gee that a special work session of the Board be held, with RLA attorney Edward Guiducci present to answer legal questions.

Accordingly, a work session has been scheduled for 4 pm on Wednesday, June 14, 2000, at the Barlow residence: 24 Black Creek Drive. This meeting is open to the RLA membership.

Individual RLA members are encouraged to report their observations of current and past violations — in writing — to the Board by June 10. General comments about the enforcement of violations are also solicited. Please address all messages to Covenant Violations, P. O. Box 160, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

These reports must include the specific violation (i.e., which Covenant, and how you feel it was violated); where the violation was observed (street address, owner's name, or Filing and Lot number, if possible; date the violation was observed; and observer's name and phone number.

This information must be received by Saturday, June 10, so a Board member is able to make an independent assessment, allowing the meeting with the attorney to proceed efficiently.

Board members will also research Covenant violations in preparation for the work session.

Colorado Tick Fever

This has been a record year for ticks, so we were sorry, but not terribly surprised, to hear that an RLA member contracted Colorado tick fever from a bite in April.

In case others have had this illness and wonder what it is, the symptoms are: flu-like fever, muscle and joint aches, loss of appetite and exhaustion that come and go for about three weeks.

According to our neighbor's doctor, the only treatment is time. However, one infection provides lifetime immunity.

Remember, only a doctor can diagnose Colorado Tick Fever accurately.

New Corresponding Secretary

Jan Ricker was named Corresponding Secretary at the May 20 Board meeting. Jan has lived in The Retreat three-and-a-half years, having moved here from Minnesota, to get away from the hot, humid summers. She also appreciates the mild Colorado winters, along with the wildlife, birds and wildflowers.

Jan spent her career in marketing research and never turns down a telephone interviewer. She's now happily retired and spends her time quilting, gardening and trying to increase the variety of wildflowers growing in her yard. She can be found most mornings walking her Westie, Teddy, along Bulwark Ridge Drive.

Directory & Property Changes

(Please note changes in your copy of the Landowners Directory)

Correction: Mail for Olin & Linda Tomlin should go to Linda & Richard Madsen at 308 (not 302) Balsam, Fort Morgan, CO 80701.

Matthew Baer, a Bulwark Ridge Owners Assn. member, moved to 520 N. Sherwood St., Unit 3, Fort Collins, CO 80521-2099.

Guy & Terrill Cook moved to 4775 Easely Rd., Golden, CO 80403. (303) 278-6812

Jerry & David Gonzales' ZIP Code in Greeley has changed to 80634-8022.

Regula Hauser-Ziegler's name is now Regula Hauser Scheel; no change of address.

Jeffrey Heins sold Bulwark 2 to Kevin & Monna Lear; 1808 Glove Court, Fort Collins, CO 80526.

Ted & Renee Luehrs-Henson sold Filing 3, Lot 42, to James & Dorris West, 8 Shadywood Place, Richardson, TX 75080.

John Manchester sold Filing 2, Lot 46, to Ernest & Lila Conrad, P. O. Box 28, Glen Haven, CO 80532-0028.

Jeffrey Whiton sold Filing 1, Lot 82, to Daniel Schaaf, Rt. 1, 438A, Torrington, WY 82240.

Interesting Annual Meeting Information

Attractions

There will be "numerous" door prizes this year, including one from RLA members Ron and Guiditta Spurrin's "Concepts" store in Greeley; gift certificates to Egg & Restaurants; and something handmade from RLA crafters Paul and Carol Dingel. To donate prizes, contact Marcy Trahan, John Barlow or Marvin Gee.

Also new this year will be a drawing for a cash prize. As you come in, drop some cash in the container by the door. If 50 people donate $10 each, for example, the grand prize will be $500! Numbers will be assigned as you sign in at the door. The grand-prize winner will be drawn from among those who attend the entire Annual Meeting.

All prize drawings will take place after the business meeting.

Pot Luck

For the Summer Pot Luck, please bring one dish to share with 10-12 people and table service for everyone in your party; the Board will provide coffee, soft drinks and water.

Business

The Board candidates and Board and landowner motions will be covered in the Annual Meeting packet you'll receive early in July.

Please remember, your attendance at the Annual Meeting is vitaly important. Issues that are amended substantially during discussion cannot be voted on by your proxy holder. Issues that arise for the first time during the meeting cannot be voted on by your proxy holder. Only RLA members present at the meeting may vote on any single issue.

If you don't vote, someone else will be make decisions that affect your Retreat property.
**Board of Directors, 1999-2000**  
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**POT LUCK**

*Address Correction Requested*
About two-thirds of the room is shown here during the well-attended pot luck preceding the July 2000 Annual Meeting. The lighting in this room is not conducive to good photos, so if you can identify yourselves and your friends at right, you're a better man than I, Gunga Din.

Board Meeting Sept. 23, 2000, at the Gee residence, 722 Miller Fork Road.

THE JULY 2000 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES WILL BE SENT WITH THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE NEWSLETTER.

A second convex mirror was installed where Streamside Drive enters County Road 43. The downhill mirror, in the photo at left, shows CR 43 traffic approaching Streamside from the east (Drake). The uphill mirror, in the photo at right, shows CR 43 traffic approaching Streamside from the west (Glen Haven).
## Best-Seller Cookbooks Back in Stock

The first printing of the *Glen Haven Cookbook*, containing recipes collected from RLA members, Glen Haven Association members, and residents throughout the Glen Haven area, was sold out! A second printing has now been delivered, and copies are again available.

The cookbook is a fund raiser for the Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department. Proceeds from the first printing paid for a cardiac defibrillator, back-up batteries, leads and related equipment; and a new resuscitation dummy for CPR training. (CPR training sessions may be open to interested RLA members.)

Glen Haven Association member Carroll Martin and RLA member Frances Cunningham are the forces behind the *Glen Haven Cookbook*.

Copies are $8 each and are available at the Glen Haven General Store (until it closes for the winter) and from Mrs. Martin: 970-586-5470 or Mrs. Cunningham: 970-586-7627.

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Three-line listings are free to RLA members. $10/year to non-members. Deadline is last day of January, March, May, July, September, November. Send name, short description of service, and phone number to Retreat Services, P.O. Box 29, Glen Haven, CO 80112.

**ABOVE:** The night before the 2000 Annual Meeting, incoming Welcoming Committee Chair Pam Nuttall (left) and outgoing Chair Frances Cunningham hosted a get-acquainted party at the Cunninghams’ house for all who became RLA members in the past two years.

**RIGHT:** Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tom Housewright, in front of the bright-red rescue truck, holds “the boot” during the pancake breakfast fund raiser on July 15. More than $2000 was collected that morning.
Clarke's Welcome Granddaughter

Remi Nichole Clarke was born August 21, 2000, to Shannon and Monik Clarke. She is the first grandchild of RLA members Bob and Susan Clarke and the first child of the Clarke's eldest son, Shannon, and his wife, Monik.

Remi weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 18 1/2 inches at birth.

Shannon Clarke coaches both boys' and girls' varsity soccer at the new Mountain View High School in Loveland; he also owns and operates Millennium Shades. Monik is a full-time mother.

In Memoriam

There was no proper road in 1970, so Mr. and Mrs. Miles hiked the Miller Fork trail in to look at the lots for sale. They built their house, "Miles-Hi," in 1975.

Mrs. Miles said of her husband, "Clent loved our home in the mountains, and we rarely missed spending our weekends there. We were at The Retreat during the 1976 flood and were evacuated by helicopter. We spent many years getting the grounds back in shape."

"In 1990, we bought the adjoining lot, and it added to our enjoyment. Clent always referred to our Retreat weekends as 'mini-vacations,' even though he spent most of the time working on planned projects."

"The people in The Retreat are special, and we made some wonderful friends over the years." Those friends, and all RLA members, extend their sincere sympathy to Florence Miles and her family.

Save the Birds — and Your View

Most of us have had the unsettling experience of hearing a crack at the window and finding an injured or dead bird lying on the deck.

After a particularly sad accident — a baby black-headed grosbek — we decided to find out if non-reflective glass was available. It is: Amiran Anti-Reflective Glass reduces glare to less than 1%.

There are various possibilities, but for a general idea of the cost: one square foot of quarter-inch-thick non-reflective glass is $35; it's also available with a 44% gray tint that controls heat during the day and preserves the view.

Then there's the low-tech, virtually free, solution, which has worked well for us so far (about six weeks): Tie loosely crinkled aluminum foil with thread and hang one or more on a hook or a coat hanger in front of dangerous windows; the foil waves and rotates in the merest breeze.

To find out more about Amiran Anti-Reflective glass, contact Peter Stattler at Schott Corporation: 914-378-3859; stattler@schottglass.com or www.schottglass.com.

Directory & Property Changes

Richard Bennet-Woods' ZIP Code in Greeley should be 80634.

David & Diane Burns sold Filing 1, Lot 14, to Carl Fries, P. O. Box 293, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

Thomas & Ethel Crandell sold Filing 1, Lot 44, to David & Susan Jasper, P. O. Box 273, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

Wayne Groome & Sharon Snyder moved to 2590 Hwy 34, Drake, CO 80515.

Mark & Dorris Hall sold Filing 3, Lot 3, to Richard & Diane Visintainer, 1330 Pioneer Dr., Green Bay, WI 54313. 920-494-7387.

The Retreat phone number for Lynn & Rebecca Lorenz is now 681-122.

Nancy McDevitt has moved to 92 Paseo Nopal, Santa Fe, NM 87501-8647.

Filing 3, Lot 32, formerly belonging to James & Barbara Nash, was sold by Federal Home Loan to Cathy Hughes & Steven Anderson, P. O. Box 838, Estes Park, CO 80517.

Leon & Mary Ann Satterfield moved to 6936 Walker Ave., Lincoln, NE 68507. Their Lincoln phone number and Retreat address are unchanged.

James & Doris West's telephone numbers should be 972-690-0584 in Texas, 970-577-7299 in The Retreat.
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Address Correction Requested
Upcoming Events
Budget Work Session
4 pm, Nov. 4, 2000,
at the Widmaier residence,
684 Miller Fork Road

Board Meeting
November 18, 2000,
at the Little residence,
22 Saddle Court

Board Meeting
January 27, 2001,
at the Gilbaugh residence,
491 Copper Hill Road

Board Meeting
March 24, 2001,
at the Barlow residence,
24 Black Creek Drive

Board Meeting
May 19, 2001,
at the Pfeif residence,
1488 Dunraven Glade Road

Board Meeting
July 28, 2001,
at the Annual Meeting site

Board Meetings start at 9:30 am

30th ANNUAL MEETING
July 28, 2001

The RLA
Board & Members
sincerely thank
Ken and Marcia
Cooper
for their
outstanding service as
Assistant Treasurer &
Landowner Directory
Editor and Manager

September Board Meeting Report

The first action of the September meeting was the election of Board officers. Outgoing president Marcille Trahan presided until Stephen Little was elected president and the office turned over to him. Marvin Gee was re-elected vice president; Joanne Gilbaugh was re-elected secretary.

Board & Committee Reports

Treasurer William Widmaier's report was read by Ms. Trahan. The excess of cash receipts over disbursements for the year was $20,820.24.
Assistant Treasurer Ken Cooper reported there was one sale pending and no outstanding liens.
Mr. Cooper also reported that RLA member Marcella Bicknell had volunteered to take over as Assistant Treasurer.

Architectural Control Committee Chairman Dennis Bicknell's report listed the last two months' activity as the cutting of dead trees by Thomas and June Bennett, cabin reshingling by Millie Muller-Nowack, deck rebuilding by John Borek, deck rebuilding and lean-to shed construction by Glenn and Diane Endsley, and painting of the cabin exterior by Dale Ninneman, and commencement of work approved in late 1999 by Terry and Carolyn Tuttle. John and Cynthia Vermie's plans for a cabin on Copper Hill Road were approved.

Mr. Bicknell also reported that Kent Mills (Filing 2, Lot 57) was appointed a member of the ACC.

Road Committee Chair Stephen Little reported that 72 loads of roadbase (recycled asphalt) had been applied to Retreat roads in September. The price has gone up to about $240 per load as a result of the recent increase in the price of diesel fuel.

The roadbase was put on the south-facing and level (at the top) areas of Bulwark Ridge Road, sloping areas of Fisherman's Lane, Copper Hill Court, and upper...
September Board Meeting Report

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Streamside Drive. Five loads of roadbase were placed on Miller Fork Road where the 1.5" gravel had been placed two years ago. This extensive degree of road improvement was assisted by the donation of a 1400-gallon 1978 tanker truck to The Retreat by the GHAVFD. This truck was repaired and upgraded by Al Cunningham, Steve Little and Bob Clarke. Their work included replacing the power steering and installing a gasoline-powered water pump, including quick-release fittings to enable the pump to take water from the stream or to pump it into a spraying apparatus. The sprayer allows them to put water on the roads before the roadbase is applied and after it is graded. The resulting product is then packed and should last much longer than previous applications of roadbase. This method should result in a reduction of dust on the roads, as well.

In the midst of their roadwork, the water pump on the engine of the truck went out and had to be replaced by Al and Steve. There are several stretches of road that still need extensive work, but the funds for roadwork are exhausted for this year. It will be at least three or four years before enough funding is generated to allow all roads in The Retreat to be put into good shape. (Related water-rights article below.)

Nominating Committee Chair
Marcy Trahan presented guidelines for the solicitation of candidates for Board positions and the handling of candidate statements for publication.

Carpenter Committee Co-Chair
John Barlow reported that a visit by RLA member John Ventresca to meet with the Carpenter Committee to discuss access to their property was anticipated but had not occurred yet.

Bulwark Ridge Owners Association representative Marcy Trahan reported that the Maitland property adjoining the national forest must have the protective covenants removed in order for a landswap with the U.S. Forest Service to take place, and that the RLA attorney and the water-law attorney he engaged were working to help achieve this goal. Ms. Trahan also pointed out that all BROA members but one have paid the annual assessment, signifying that they accept the agreement to merge with The Retreat.

Other Business

Marvia Gee presented 14 Standing Rules for Board meetings, which were approved and adopted.

Stephen Little appointed Marcella Bicknell Assistant Treasurer and reappointed William Widmaier Treasurer for another year. All current committee heads were reappointed for another year.

A Snowplowing Committee was established, and John Barlow accepted the chairmanship.

Marcy Trahan read a letter from RLA member and Glen Haven realtor Ernie Conrad expressing dismay that two more (for a total of four) of his signs pointing to Retreat property for sale had been stolen. The Board decided that directional signs were permissible, but that it would ask realtors to remove them when the property was sold.

In the second Landowner Comment session, Duke Sumonia asked if there were minutes of the June 14 Covenant meeting with the RLA attorney. Mr. Gee said that meeting had been a work session, and minutes were not required. Ms. Trahan said she had taken notes and would send Mr. Sumonia a copy.

Annual Meeting Recap

For complete information about the July 29, 2000, Annual Meeting, please see the accompanying minutes. Following are a few of the highlights:
- Dale Alps, John Barlow and Stephen Little were re-elected to the Board of Directors.
- Board motion to raise the annual assessment cap to $250 passed.
- Landowner Motion to include any special assessments within the cap failed.
- Landowner Motion to require all RLA members to be notified of Board meetings at least 15 days in advance failed.
- Landowner Motion to ban stocking of Miller Fork Creek with fish by The Retreat failed.
- Nominating Committee members for next year are Marcy Trahan (chair), Marcella Bicknell, Jack Heidebrecht and Ed Richards.

Water Rights Donated

In order to pump water legally out of the creek to fill the Road Committee's new tanker truck, it was necessary to purchase rights from the state of Colorado. RLA member Merlin Friedrichsen, who works for the state water department, located and purchased the rights to one acre foot of water and donated the rights to The Retreat, allowing the Road Committee to fill the tanker through October 31, 2000.

The Board wishes to convey its sincere gratitude to Mr. Friedrichsen for his generosity.
The early June 2000 Bobcat Gulch Fire was still on residents' minds at the July 15 GHAVFD Pancake Breakfast fund raiser. The signs in the middle say NO Campfires and NO Fireworks.

Directory & Property Changes
(Please note changes in your copy of the Landowners Directory)

Gene & Marci Berry's Fort Collins address has changed to 1101 Oakmont Ct., Fort Collins, CO 80525-2855.

Ralph & Roberta Brethauer's Retreat mailing address is P. O. Box 24, Glen Haven, CO 80532.

James & Celeste Broomfield's telephone number has changed to 970-560-6473.

Elgin & Deborah Kuhlman have moved to 335 N. 8th St., Apt. 402, Lincoln, NE 68508-1348.

Terry & Linda Rowell have moved to 6050 Stout Wild Rd., Fort Collins, CO 80526-5011. 970-225-6392.

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Blaze Burns Dengler Cabin

Upcoming Events
Board meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.

- **Board Meeting:** January 27, 2001 at the Giltbaugh residence, 491 Copper Hill Road.
- **Winter Potluck:** February 17, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Church of the Rockies.
- **Board Meeting:** March 24, 2001 at the Bartow residence, 24 Black Creek Drive.
- **Board Meeting:** May 19, 2001 at the Pfiff residence, 1488 Dunraven Glade Road.
- **Board Meeting:** July 28, 2001 at the annual meeting site.

On Saturday, Oct. 7th, after a 911 call from quick-thinking neighbors, the Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department prevented what could have been a total loss when they put out a fire at John and Melanie Dengler's cabin, 724 Copper Hill Road.

Tom Housewright, GHAVFD Chief, said he was paged at 11:17 a.m. after our own satter fields called in the fire. He was on the scene within seven minutes, followed by seven other volunteer firefighters. By 11:42 a.m., the first tanker truck had arrived and then it was only a matter of minutes before firefighters were able to access the cabin and find the source of the blaze. The Retreat's new 1,400-gallon water truck and the Estes Park Volunteer Fire Department also were on the scene in case more water and manpower were needed.

While the fire investigator has not made an official ruling, it is believed a faulty propane water heater was to blame.

Housewright said the fire likely had been smoldering for eight to 12 hours.

The Retreat's Ernie Conrad caught the fire on film.

WINTER POTLUCK:

Mark your calendars for the annual winter potluck, which has been scheduled for February 17, 2001 at the Community Church of the Rockies. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. and eat at 6 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Brian Cervantes, who is a member of the Ute Indian Nation and a seasonal ranger in Rocky Mountain National Park. More details to come.

Sky Gazers Set Sights on Venus

Venus, Saturn and Jupiter are easy to find this month. An hour after sunset, look toward the west (southwest in the Retreat) and you'll see what looks like a very bright star. This is Venus. Remember, stars twinkle, planets don't. Venus is far brighter than any other planet because it comes closer to Earth and is surrounded by snowy white clouds, which reflect sunlight. Look east for Jupiter and Saturn. Jupiter is slightly lower than Saturn.
DENGLER

BLAZE (CONT.)

"EVERYBODY IN THE RETREAT SHOULD BE REALLY PROUD OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT," said Dengler. "YOU ALWAYS WONDER, LIVING IN A MORE REMOTE PLACE LIKE THAT, WHAT KIND OF RESPONSE YOU WOULD HAVE (IN AN EMERGENCY). IT WAS INCREDIBLE."

THE DENGLES, WHO HAD THEIR CABIN ON THE MARKET BEFORE THE BLAZE, PLAN ON REPAIRING THE DAM-

A REMINDER

ON THE BACK COVER YOU WILL NOTICE THAT YOU CAN NOW GET IN TOUCH WITH SOME BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS VIA EMAIL. COMMENTS AND CONCERNS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, BUT REMEMBER THAT ALL ITEMS OF "OFFICIAL BUSINESS" SHOULD BE SUBMITTED.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

MARCELLA AND DENNIS BICKNELL HELPED CELEBRATE THE SECOND BIRTHDAY OF THEIR TRIPLET GRANDCHILDREN - BRANDON, SONYA AND NICOLE - ON NOV. 18. THIS WAS A PARTICULARLY JOYFUL BIRTHDAY FOR THE BICKNELL FAMILY AS SONYA AND NICOLE BOTH HAD LIVER TRANSPLANTS DURING THE PAST YEAR TO CORRECT A LIFE-THREATENING GENETIC LIVER DISORDER. BOTH OF THE GIRLS ARE DOING WELL AND ARE TYPICAL TWO YEAR OLDS.

ROCK AND BERNICE TALLMAN'S DAUGHTER, JANET, WILL MARRY DON LEVIE FROM KANSAS ON DEC. 16 AT MOUNTAIN VIEW BIBLE FELLOWSHIP.

THE COUPLE WILL MAKE THEIR HOME IN ELDMORE, KAN.

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH DONALD AND PATRICIA GROVES WHOSE SON, KENNETH, 39, PASSED AWAY IN HIS SLEEP ON OCT. 30. HE LIVED IN OSAKATOMIE, KAN. AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, VIKKI.
December, 2000
President's letter

Dear RLA landowners,

I wish you the best of the season from the RLA Board. We have had an anxious summer in the Retreat. The weather was very dry and hot, and the fire danger became clear when the Bobcat Gulch fire burned to within about a mile and a half of the edge of the Retreat. It wasn't too bad here until the last day of the fire, when a strong wind shifted in our direction. Many of us were out in the smoke of that last day cutting brush and clearing around our houses. Fortunately, there was a cold front coming through, and an unseasonable snow that might really ended the danger from the Bobcat Fire. We spent the rest of the summer waiting for the other shoe to drop, but there were no more fires locally. We did have a house fire this fall that, fortunately, remained inside the dwelling and did not spread to the adjacent brush. We want to thank the Glen Haven VFD for their work in containing these fires. They were at great personal risk when they fought the Bobcat fire on the day it erupted.

The RLA Board has set the assessment amount for the coming year 2001. It is $220, including $50 for the Glen Haven VFD. This represents an increase of $20 from last year in order to continue our aggressive work on the roads in the Retreat and to fund the necessary attorney's fees to obtain the water certificates that are part of our water augmentation agreement (for Filings 3, 4 and 5). The increase in the roads budget is necessary since much higher diesel fuel prices have boosted the cost of delivery of recycled asphalt by about 30%, while recycled asphalt has increased in price by about 8%. The RLA Board is also committed to protect our water rights as spelled out in the augmentation agreement. When you pay your $220 assessment, you may make two checks out: one to the RLA for $170 and one to the GHVFD for $50 if you wish to do so for tax purposes. However, PLEASE, send them both to the assistant treasurer, and DO NOT send either of them to the GHVFD. It creates a nightmare for our assistant treasurer to try to track down where the checks were sent. The GHVFD is liable to count any checks sent to them as extra contributions.

The RLA Board is striving to maintain the Retreat as a good place for all of the members to enjoy. We are required to modify policies as the Retreat begins to fill up with houses and year around residents. The increasing numbers of people in the Retreat requires better and more frequently maintained roads, and it requires us all to respect the desires and rights of our neighbors. Please think about your neighbors, BEFORE you embark on changes that will impact them. In particular, it is imperative that you observe the 20 MPH speed limit on our roads. The roads are narrow and winding, and modern large vehicles take more than their share of the narrow roads.

You are more than welcome to attend board meetings during the coming year, and we would welcome your comments, either written or by telephone. All of our telephone numbers are in the newsletter in every issue. The RLA Board wishes you the best in the coming year.

Sincerely,
Stephen Little, President
RLA Board of directors

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MAKING CHANGES

Clifford & Barbara Dyer now live in The Retreat full time. Their new mailing address is P.O. Box 317, Glen Haven, CO 80532-0317; phone 970-577-8358.

John & Mary Nolan bought Lot 82, Filing 1; Their address is 722 South Granby Circle, Aurora, CO 80012.

Ed Grueff bought Lot 13, Filing 1. His address is 3225 Devils Gulch Rd., Estes Park, CO 80517.

Gregory & Nan Jigman bought Lot 12, Filing 5; Their address is 6401 Sagamore Mission Hills, BOULDER, CO 80304.
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