

# Gleneagle North



# Homeowners Association News

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS CORNER

### Grant Update

The grant funding to repair the 2013 storm damage of our greenbelt drainage was allocated to the County in the Spring. After final design updates, it was determined that environmental permits (wetland delineation reports) were needed prior to the issuance of the Requests for Proposals to perform the work. Due to delays in obtaining the permits, and the major flooding that occurred in Texas and Florida in September, the Federal Government needed any available grant funding to support those disasters. Thus, our timeline to execute/complete the projects was severely restricted before the funding expired. Unfortunately, all potential contractors did not bid the work, and the grant funding had to be returned to the Federal Government. We are now working with the County investigating various alternatives for possible grant funding or to execute the projects within our HOA resources.

### Holiday Events

There are a few holiday events upcoming within our community to take note of. Besides the HOA sponsored Holiday Wagon Ride and Golden Light String Awards, one of Donald Wescott's fire trucks will be giving Santa a tour of our community on Saturday December 16th around 10 am. See page 2 for details on wagon ride and light contest.

### Snow Removal

As a reminder, snow removal of the streets is a County DOT responsibility. Homeowners are requested to promptly clear the sidewalks and around the mailbox stands. There are various school bus stops around the community that our children walk to and from. Also we strongly encourage residents to refrain from parking on the streets, which could impede the plowing process.

### Water Reduction Landscaping & Weed Control

Any effort to reduce water usage through changes in your landscaping requires the approval of the ACC for your filing. There are restrictions on 100% rock yards.

Also, even though the weed growth has stopped, or gone dormant, there are many places around the neighborhood or within your property rock areas that are in need of some extra grooming. Please take the time to tidy up these areas, thus avoiding covenant violation letters.

### Gleneagle, Jessie, Wurthering Heights, & Copperfield Drive School Pedestrian Crossings

Antelope Trails Elementary School's students, crossing guards, and homeowners walking in the community have experienced several near misses by drivers who are not obeying school zone/pedestrian crossing traffic laws.

During school start and dismissal times, which are 8:30-9:00am and 3:30-4:00pm, Antelope Trails positions four crossing guards that monitor student crossings at Jessie Drive and Gleneagle Drive, Copperfield Drive and Jessie Drive, and the northwest driveway of the school's parking lot on Copperfield Drive. The crossing guards wear highly-visible reflective yellow vests and have a hand-held STOP sign. Crossing guards have legal authority to halt traffic in order to let students and parents cross the road safely.

Besides the clearly marked pavement crossing zones, there are two blinking SCHOOL ZONE signs on Gleneagle Drive that clearly state the 20mph speed limit. Colorado imposes severe fines for breaking traffic laws within school zones and pedestrian crossings.

The HOA is working with the County Traffic Engineer to post highly visible "State Law" pedestrian crossing signs at the Gleneagle/Jessie intersection. PLEASE yield to pedestrians, our school children, and parents in the crosswalks.

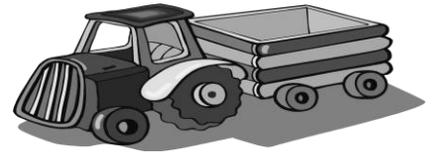
### BOD Appreciation

The BOD would like to pass along our sincere appreciation to all of you, the homeowners, for your support throughout the past year. We pledge to continue our efforts to enhance our community for you. The BOD wishes each and every resident a safe and happy holiday season.

# Holiday Events!



## 2017 Holiday Wagon Ride



Please join us for a wagon-ride tour of our neighborhood holiday lights and decorations on Sunday evening, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Four 25 minute tours of the neighborhood will depart from the Antelope Trails parking lot each half hour starting at 5:30pm. Seating is limited so call Kathy Nikolaus (481-6677) to reserve your seats as soon as possible!

Walk-ins allowed as space permits. Hot chocolate will be provided! Tractor-pulled wagon rides provided by **Olson Carriage & Harness**.



## It's time to make sure Rudolph can find your house!

*The Gleneagle North Homeowners Association proudly announces...*

## *The Seventeenth Annual Golden Light String Awards*

*Recognizing your outstanding creativity and holiday spirit!*

### Here's how it works:

1. You decorate your home's exterior.
2. Each Filing's Architectural Committee will judge homes December 20-22.
3. Five winners will be chosen from each Filing.
4. Winners receive prizes plus yard signs recognizing their efforts.
5. One of the five winners from each Filing will be selected "Best-Decorated Home" and receive a special recognition!



Be creative...give your neighborhood the Holiday Spirit!



## Trash Collection Notes

There is **NO** trash pick up on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Trash and recycle collection will move to the next day, Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup> & January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bestway WILL pick up on MLK and President's Day. If you want to start or stop the Way Green single stream recycling service, please contact GNHOA at 719-488-5883. On trash pick up day, you should have your trash and recycle barrels (a foot or more separation) at the curb by 8am. If you sell or rent your home, please leave the brown trash barrel in the garage for the new owners/renters. If you sell or rent your home and have the optional recycle service, contact the buyers/renters to determine if continued service is desired. If the service

needs to be discontinued, please contact the HOA.

Our contract with Bestway permits one 96 gallon barrel per week and two plastic bags per week. If you have oversize or large items like furniture, construction waste, etc., or more than two plastic bags, Bestway collects an extra fee directly from the homeowner at the time of pick up unless you arrange for the extra service prior. If you have such items, contact Bestway directly at 633-8709 to arrange for pick up and payment. Extra pick up fees are the homeowners responsibility.

Finally, if you desire to share some Christmas cheer with the Bestway employees, please do so in person, or send a Christmas card with your gift to Bestway's office: 650 Santa Fe St., CO Springs, CO 80903, noting your address in the card.

# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Thumb Award Winners

The Green Thumb Contest judging was held on the weekend of July 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. There were many deserving homes, but the Architectural Committee's decision from each filing awarded the Green Thumb awards to the following homes:

## Filing 3

15255 Copperfield Drive – Dee & Orlando Gibbons  
 15455 Pompeii Court – Robert Bandy  
 15205 Churchill Place – Frank & Laurie Hughey  
 15105 Copperfield Drive – Alan & Joy Garscadden

## Filing 4

15483 Jessie Drive – James & Karen Schmitt  
 15559 Jessie Drive – Richard & Erlinda Heebner  
 15310 Holbein Drive – Daniel & Rhonda Fink  
 15310 Sostrin Lane – William & Nanette Anderson

## Filing 8

15575 Curwood Drive – Robert & Jane Lundeen  
 15465 Desiree Drive – David & Sherry DeRay  
 15825 Holbein Drive – Vicki Cummings  
 15745 Holbein Drive – Rob & Sue Hampson

## Filing 9

14980 Pristine Drive – Fred & Melanie Seiter  
 14630 Bermuda Dunes Way – Peter & Susan Clothiers  
 14920 Pristine Drive – Kelly & Tammy Kennedy  
 14980 Pristine Drive – Cliff & Judy Weber

## Note to Filing 4 Homeowners

This past year, 10 yard/property maintenance violation 1st letters were sent, and 3 of the 10 required a 2nd letter. Most of the violations occurred on rental properties. There was a fairly good response from the 1st letters, and those who received 2nd letters all took care of matters.

There has been a lot of repainting, with folks choosing the darker, richer colors that are found in the newer neighborhoods, thus giving the neighborhood an upgraded look. While everyone has their opinions, the darker colors are still within our covenants. Changing your home's exterior color needs AC approval.

If you change your landscaping to a more water-saving style, remember to submit a plan. You may save water, but maintenance of these areas is still needed, as weeds still thrive even in fabric protected rock areas.

One last thing, if you find you must park on the street, please keep your car off the sidewalk. The sidewalks are for pedestrians, not parking zones.

Have a great winter season. Thanks – Filing 4 ACC

## Annual Meeting Update

We held our annual meeting on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Homeowners in attendance numbered 41. Additionally, we had 85 homeowners submit their proxies, thereby meeting our quorum requirement to conduct business at the meeting. Elections were held for the four filing directors and one at-large director position. Each incumbent was reelected. You can find the presentations from the meeting on our website: [www.gnhoa.com](http://www.gnhoa.com).

## Upcoming Doc Shredding

The GNHOA will once again sponsor a SHRED-IT day in April for your unwanted personal paperwork to be shredded. In less than a minute, your documents will be shredded to almost dust. This will be our seventh year, and while the amount of paperwork shredded has increased, we have yet to turn anyone away or fill the truck. Look for more news on this event in the future.

## Treasurer's Notes

The 2018 assessments statements will be sent in early January 2018. The BOD voted to maintain the annual assessment of \$75.00 for 2018. The assessment will be divided into two semi-annual payments of \$37.50 along with the semi-annual trash assessment which will remain unchanged at \$12 per month or \$72.00 semi-annually.

Therefore, the 2018 January and July assessments will be \$109.50 (\$37.50+\$72). For those voluntarily recycling, the \$5 monthly fee is unchanged. The six month recycling fee of \$30 will be added to the \$109.50 semi-annual assessment.

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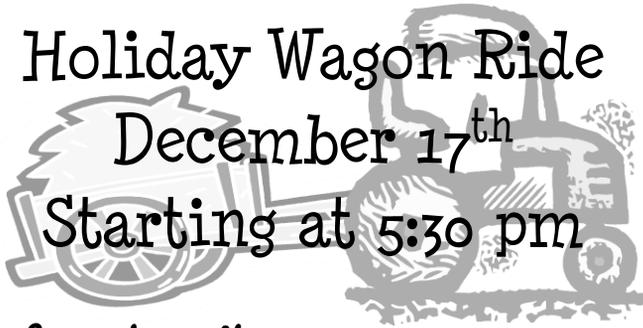
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# Don't Miss This Year's Holiday HOA Events!



The Golden Light  
Strings Contest  
December 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>



Holiday Wagon Ride  
December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Starting at 5:30 pm

*See page two for details!*

Contact the Gleneagle North Homeowners Association Board of Directors at:

(719) 488-5883 or P.O. Box 1922, Monument, CO 80132.

Visit our web site at [www.gnhoa.com](http://www.gnhoa.com) for more information.