



## BCPOA Newsletter

### March 2023

Greetings to all members of the Beaver Creek Property Owners Association (BCPOA). I hope each of you has had a fun and productive winter wherever you chose to be. For those of us in Beaver Creek, it has been a phenomenal snow season. This winter has provided about the fourth or fifth-best snow season in Beaver Creek ever.

**Vision Committee:** The BCPOA Board has created a new committee called the Vision Committee chaired by Mollie Grojean. The purpose of this committee is to try to develop ways in which the BCPOA can help facilitate improvements in the Beaver Creek experience through helping projects headed by the Beaver Creek Metro District and the Beaver Creek Resort Company or by projects initiated by the BCPOA. Any ideas or concepts you may have are welcome. We will keep you apprised as we determine the projects on which the BCPOA can provide assistance.

**The Vilar Performing Arts Center (Vilar):** The Vilar has had a fabulous winter season while celebrating its 25th anniversary. The Vilar has indicated it will have a vibrant lineup for the summer season. When the summer schedule is set, we will place a copy on the BCPOA Website for your perusal. As an important member of the Beaver Creek Community and to help assure its success, the BCPOA is an annual donor to the Vilar.

**Concern about possible townhouse development project:** There is one potential construction project about which your BCPOA Board has been made aware. The project can be characterized as questionable as it has been put together under a cloak of secrecy. The project is a proposal to build some fourteen (14) townhouses on the steep slopeside immediately to the south of Mirabelle Restaurant and past the end of Beaver Creek Drive. As the Board representing all homeowners throughout Beaver Creek, we have advised the developer and Vail Development Corporation Development that we do not like this project. Among other things, the developer claims he does not have any architectural or construction drawings to let anyone know what the project would look like.

What we do know is that the project would face several environmental and aesthetic issues. For starters, there is no level land in the proposed area for the townhouses. In fact, it appears the only way townhouses can be built is by cutting into a steep hill. It appears to virtually anyone who views the proposed construction area that the proposed development would likely require the removal of massive amounts of earth and would require the delivery and use of tons of concrete to make roadways and retaining walls to hold back the hill and make the foundations for the townhouses. Without drawings, it is hard to tell for sure, but by all appearances, this fourteen-

townhouse plan will be totally out of context with the other long-standing single homes on lower Beaver Creek Boulevard and Mirabelles.

The proposed townhouse project also would destroy a large wooded grove next to Mirabelle's which houses an amazing array of wildlife that roam along the hillside of Beaver Creek Drive and cross Beaver Creek and continue up the mountainside.

Other major areas of concern include the impact during construction and after construction on the streams and wetlands coming down the hillside. They run the entirety of the construction site down from the Beaver Creek golf course to Beaver Creek. There also would be a negative impact on golf course traffic and homeowner access and other users of the small roadway leading from the golf course and the houses along that small roadway. Finally, there are significant safety concerns during construction and after construction for the multitude of Beaver Creek residents and guests who walk by themselves, with small children and pets along Beaver Creek Drive, and those who bike and jog relying on the historic low traffic and atmosphere along the drive. We will keep you up to date as we learn more about the project and the role the BCPOA may be forced to take to protect the environment, assure safety and protect the interests of our fellow owners who have lived for years near the site of the fourteen proposed townhomes.

**BCPOA Website:** If you have not had the time to visit the BCPOA website recently, we invite you to take a look at [BCPOA.com](http://BCPOA.com). I think you will find the website to be a good source for overall Beaver Creek information, current events, and activities in Beaver Creek.

**BCPOA Fourth of July Picnic:** The BCPOA will host its annual Fourth of July picnic on July 2 at the Chophouse in the Village. Please be alert for save-the-date messages and opportunities to register as capacity will be somewhat limited.

Happy Spring to all and I look forward to seeing you in Beaver Creek this summer.

Best,  
Bruce Kiely,  
BCPOA President



## UPCOMING EAGLE RIVER WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT (ERWSD) ELECTION

In May, residents of Beaver Creek, Bachelor Gulch, and Arrowhead will have the opportunity to vote for a Director of the Eagle River Water and Sanitation District. Robert Warner, Jr. is Mike Towler's opponent in District 6. Mr. Warner is a Developer and a General Contractor whose interests likely are centered on the needs of the construction industry for water allocations. He is not a Beaver Creek resident and appears to be advocating for significant changes, which would virtually eliminate our control over our water rights and cede them to Vail and Wolcott. To protect our water rights and ensure we have a voice in how our water is used we need to elect a new Director who will represent and advocate for us - not Vail or big developers. **Mike Towler** is the candidate we need to collectively support.

### Background

The Eagle River Water and Sanitation District provides sanitation services for residents from EagleVail to Edwards and also provides water service to Vail and Wolcott. The District is governed by elected directors and our district includes Beaver Creek, Bachelor Gulch, Arrowhead, and a portion of Edwards. Our freshwater is provided by the Upper Eagle River Water Authority which is governed by appointed directors (our director is appointed by the BC Metro District board). The

Authority was established so down-Valley communities could better coordinate water service and supply planning to their constituents. Both Beaver Creek and Bachelor Gulch are net providers of water to the Authority and therefore deserve a say in how our water is used across the Valley. The Authority and District have historically worked closely together as their water systems are interconnected.

Together, the Authority and District are working to complete the new Bolts Lake reservoir which will provide a new, long-term supply of water that will satisfy the Valley's demands through at least 2050. Several District board members, including the incumbent from our district, are advocating unification/merging of the District and Authority - an action which will neither create more water nor save money but, instead, would take away Beaver Creek voting and water rights and cede 28% control over down-Valley development to Vail and Wolcott.

They are advocating this on the basis that 'the Authority is out of water', a situation which would arise only if all of the following occur; 1) Bolts Lake is not developed, 2) every one of the 20 pending developments encompassing 1800 new homes (mostly in Avon and Edwards) are fully built, 3) stream flows decline more than 10% from the past 20 years average, and 4) no meaningful conservation occurs over the next 7 years. Their supposition is that, in this highly unlikely eventuality, unification would compel Vail to sell Beaver Creek some of its excess water. Seems rather like extortion sponsored by Vail and big developers. Need for Beaver Creek Colorado Residents to turn out to vote Beaver Creek needs a voice on the District board to stop this power-grab. Mike Towler is a resident of Beaver Creek, a Director of the Beaver Creek Metro District, and an alternate to the Water Authority board.

Mike is a proven advocate for Beaver Creek and Bachelor Gulch who is committed to preserving our water rights and promoting responsible development, including workforce housing, in our Valley. As we have done for other critical campaigns, we need to generate strong voter turnout among Colorado residents in support of Mike's candidacy to ensure that Beaver Creek and Bachelor Gulch maintain control over our water and have a voice in the development of our Valley. About the candidate, Mike and his wife Sara have owned a home in Beaver Creek since 2013. After his retirement in 2020, Mike became a full-time resident of Colorado. Currently, he is Treasurer and Secretary of the Beaver Creek Metro Board, the First Alternate representative on the Upper Eagle River Water Authority, and Trustee of the Marguerite Delaney Hark Foundation. Prior to his retirement, Mike spent almost 30 years working at the Northern Trust Corporation in Chicago. At the time of his retirement, he was responsible for the investment management of approximately \$2.2 billion in assets for approximately 60 high-net-worth clients. His career was focused on the execution and implementation of investment programs through the thoughtful analysis of financial and economic data. He has served in a fiduciary capacity providing fair and unbiased opinions and recommendations throughout most of his working career. Prior to Northern Trust, he spent 11 years in the commercial/investment banking arena focusing on investments in real estate and municipal bonds. He is a CFA Charterholder, MBA in finance from DePaul University in 1989, and BS in Finance from Illinois State University in 1980.



## **Beaver Creek Resort Company (BCRC) EVENTS UPDATE**

This winter, BCRC began a movement on many of the *Beaver Creek Inspire* vision plan initiatives. Following last year's kickoff of initial projects within the *Beaver Creek Inspire* Vision Plan, BCRC is pursuing several large and impactful projects in 2023. BCRC is grateful to the BCPOA Vision Committee for participation in workshops and dialogue for some of these exciting projects!

The *Beaver Creek Inspire* vision plan continues to drive enhancements and modernization to the Village experience with projects breaking ground this spring. The BCRC Board is reviewing plans for investments within the Village and community, including:

- A Creekside Park master plan and playground
- Completion of a new signature creekside gathering place near the Covered Bridge
- Enhanced video projection content on the clock face above the ice rink
- Major lighting upgrades
- And more!

To learn more about all the projects that will continue to enhance your property values, visit [beavercreekresortcompany.com/inspire](https://beavercreekresortcompany.com/inspire).

The *Eager Beaver Scavenger Hunt* was designed for kids aged 7-14, but has become a big hit for the whole family! Key to the experience are “Adventure Kits” available for free from the Guest Services and Lost & Found office (located by the Snow Globe and Ticket Office) during the winter season. The Adventure Kit includes an Adventure Guide and souvenir Cookie Compass that unlocks solutions to certain challenges spread across the whole Village. Once complete, be sure to get your commemorative pin from Guest Services! Location of summer packet pick-up TBD. Learn more at [beavercreekresortcompany.com/scavenger-hunt/](https://beavercreekresortcompany.com/scavenger-hunt/)

Beaver Creek’s sun-sational summer event calendar is sure to have the village blooming with excitement. Kicking off the summer will be the infamous Blues, Brews, and BBQ event taking place May 26-28, 2023. Next will be the Independence Day Celebration, with Oktoberfest (September 1-3, 2023) and Wine & Spirits (September 22-24, 2023). Driving the value of Beaver Creek as a culinary destination, this year’s summer events promise attention and focus on extraordinary eats and drinks.

Also, this year is the BC Unplugged series, with outdoor concerts every Thursday Night starting June 22, 2023. Make sure to visit the *Beaver Creek Village Guide app* or visit [BeaverCreek.com/Events](https://BeaverCreek.com/Events) for a full list of scheduled events once the ski season is over.

BCRC is looking at updating short-term rental rules and regulations and business rules and regulations as they apply to the above-mentioned, in order to best adhere to safety and assessment collection requirements. Please refer to [beavercreekresortcompany.com/assessments/business-licenses/assessments-2-2/](https://beavercreekresortcompany.com/assessments/business-licenses/assessments-2-2/) for current rules and regulations, and for updated policies once in place.



## VILAR PERFORMING ARTS CENTER UPDATE



# LIVE IN BEAVER CREEK, CO

**BalletX**  
A WORLD  
PREMIERE BALLET  
SAT | MAR 25

**GARRISON  
KEILLOR**  
TONIGHT  
THU | MAR 30

**CIRQUE FLIP  
FABRIQUE**  
PRESENTS: MUSE  
WED | APRIL 5

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**SEE THE FULL LINEUP**

LIVE FROM THE HEART OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS | *This winter the VPAC invites you to Celebrate 25 Years of Showtime in the Mountains!* Coming up this March, the intimate theater will host a World Premiere Ballet in honor of its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary season. Beaver Creek audiences will be treated to an evening-length work by BalletX inspired by the classic Herman Hesse novel *Siddhartha*. March also brings classical, comedy, family entertainment, and more.

**Mar. 25 | BalletX, A World Premiere Ballet** BalletX has been hailed as an “epicenter of creation” (Dance Magazine) and “place of choreographic innovation” (The New Yorker), the contemporary dance company brings a world premiere ballet by Nicolo Fonte, inspired by the classic novel *Siddhartha*. This is a do not miss winter show!

**Mar. 28 | Tel Aviv Wind Quintet with Pianist Yaron Kohlberg** Founded in 2009 by young Israeli musicians, who quickly established themselves as a leading chamber ensemble, excelling in rich repertoire and multidisciplinary works involving movement and theatre. Today, the quintet performs more than 30 concerts each season all around Israel, including its most prestigious concert venues.

**Mar. 30 | Garrison Keillor Tonight** Garrison Keillor Tonight is an evening of stand-up, storytelling, audience song, and poetry. One man, one microphone. There are sung sonnets, limericks and musical jokes, and the thread that runs through it is the beauty of growing old.

**Apr. 5 | Cirque Flip Fabrique Presents: Muse** Having performed extensively internationally, Cirque FLIP Fabrique continues to fascinate audiences worldwide with performances that are equally as fun and accessible for everyone as visually stunning.

**View the full lineup and get tickets at [VILARPAC.ORG](http://VILARPAC.ORG)**



**Your annual dues are billed in the anniversary month of your joining BCPOA. *\*For example: If you joined in April, your invoice will be sent on the 1st of April of each year. For questions please contact Jane Heller [mtnprop1@yahoo.com](mailto:mtnprop1@yahoo.com) or Laurie Herzog [cphlrh@aol.com](mailto:cphlrh@aol.com), Membership Co-Chairs.***

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