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JD HANNAH'S OIL PAINTING titled "Skate the Lake," captures the activity of a brisk winter day on Evergreen's frozen lake.

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and paintings to get them through art class," says Hannah. "That's when I learned that maybe I could make some money doing this thing that I loved."

Hannah, who grew up outside of Pittsburgh, spent hours at the Carnegie Library studying the work of Walt Disney, Michelangelo and Rembrandt. Never formally trained as an artist, Hannah taught himself to sketch and eventually moved on to painting.

"I never had any money to go to art school, but I started taking the bus down to Pittsburgh. Store owners would pay me \$20 per window to paint scenes for their stores. I painted wall murals for the local YMCA and eventually ended up painting murals in high-end

houses in New Jersey."

Hannah always hoped to pursue a painting career for himself rather than others. Almost two years ago, Hannah and his family decided to make a go of his dream.

"We relocated to Colorado to see if my art would take off. Since then I've been in national and local juried shows. I've been entering international shows as well," says Hannah.

Although recognition from his peers is much appreciated, Hannah wants to focus on developing

Evergreen's artistic community.

"I want Evergreen to be like a small Paris. I want it to be commonplace for people to see artists out on the streets or trails painting." In the meantime, come rain or shine, it will certainly be common to see Hannah doing it.

Hannah's work is on display during January at Creekside Cellars in Evergreen. For more information or for upcoming exhibitions, visit www.Jdhannah.com or call Creekside at 303-674-5460.

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THICKEMA A. LUHN
"I find it an honor to serve with such a fine organization as Evergreen Fire House."

Ted Luhn has served as a volunteer fireman in Evergreen since 2001. In addition to a full time occupation as an industrial electrician, Ted enjoys a variety of outside hobbies and interests. Among his favorite hobbies these activities are snowboarding, hiking, other outdoor activities, and serving our community. When asked why he volunteers as a firefighter, Ted replied, "The rewards of helping my neighbors when in need is truly an awesome feeling. I am just really glad to be able to give back to the community I live in." Our community is certainly blessed to have such a fine volunteer as Ted Luhn.

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