

IDLE TIMES | SPRING 2020

A publication designed to keep the Greater Idlewild Community informed about community matters.



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Letter from the President

Greetings to everyone in Greater Idlewild

At the time of this letter, spring is beginning to arrive on the mountain. As in last spring, plentiful winter snow and probable spring snow showers will provide a great start to foliage, help the lake continue to rise, and enhance the view driving through Cimarron Canyon. Amazing how the forest can repair itself.

With warm weather comes outdoor activities. Please be careful with outdoor recreational fires. Residents can consult the Colfax County website for management details. Two near-misses in our area this winter prompt this request.

The state has done a good job on maintaining Highway 127 during

the winter. The district office hasn't determined if the proposed chip-seal process will occur. In general, all community roads appear to be in good shape for spring.

Residents will be walking community roads during good weather. Please be attentive to their presence during your driving. Also, the state has guidelines regarding ATV (state-defined as OHV) usage. Please review these rules and abide by their instructions. Kindly stay on the community roads and respect private property and driveways. A great rules guide is <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/ohv/>. Other New Mexico websites are available so you can register your ATV online.

A few questions about pet management have arisen. Colfax County does have pet regulations posted for review on its website. In general, owners should tether their pets or use some other direct-control method. Pets are a great addition to the community.

Spring is about to kick off, and summer promises to be enjoyable. Current and future improvements to the Community Center will make it a great place for social events. This newsletter will have the dates of scheduled events. One stated event will be the community's Annual Meeting, following the potluck lunch on July 26th. Please

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Board of Directors

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Walter Davis	2022
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Rick Hullum	2022
Maxi Millican	2020
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Percy Reid	2022
Benny Rupprecht	2021
Phil Stickney	2020
Gabe Thornhill	2021
Donna Woolsey	2021

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Game Night	Goose Jarigese
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Maps	Frank Ray
Newsletter	Kim Jarigese Helen Hymans
Nominations	Sue Dorr Don Woolsey
Potluck	Maxi Millican
Preacher's Cabin	Laura Oheim
Property	Bill Colson
Roads	Skip Johnson
Webmaster	Craig Sutton
Worship Center	Laura Oheim

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attend, enjoy some great food and fellowship, then lend your ideas on maintaining and improving the community.

It promises to be a great summer season. We hope to see everyone on the mountain. Come early and stay late!

—Walt Davis, IWCC President

Community Directory & Maps

Changes to the Directory, J. W. Dickerson detail map, and the Idlewild Community map have been slowed, like everything else, by the COVID-19 pandemic. Corrections are in progress for a printed 2020 Directory edition, but there will likely be a later deadline than last year. Every change that was sent to Gabe Thornhill during the assessment collection phase was passed to Data Management for logging in our database. The updated maps will eventually be sent to Webmaster Craig Sutton, who will post them on www.idlewildcommunity.org in PDF format. Directories will first be mailed to early assessment donors, and the Caretaker or another volunteer will distribute extra copies for sale throughout the year.

—Frank Ray, Data Management Chair



Again this year, EagleFest will feature a hot air balloon launch on August 15–16 at 7:00 a.m., weather permitting.

The Goose Report

Another winter has come and gone, with lots of skiing, winter fun, and snow on the roads. Mother Nature was good to us in that we had a lot of snow during the months of December through February. However, this made for a difficult winter, with poor road conditions and many incidents on our Idlewild roads.

Ronnie Trujillo and Patrick Gallegos, with the New Mexico State Roads Department, made an incredible effort to keep Highway 127 open all winter by sanding and plowing with each significant storm. The New Mexico Department of Transportation has been a tremendous asset for the Idlewild Community.

In addition, I would like to personally thank the many Idlewild residents who helped me to keep the roads in good shape and stepped up to help fellow neighbors who had vehicles stuck in the snow. These folks are Jeff

Archer, Frank Belichick, Richard Cernosek, Jim Herman, and Mark Jefferson, as well as Katherine Harrison and her son, David Chapman.

This collaborative effort shows the community spirit and support that Idlewild residents have for each other by working together to help one another. It's a huge job being the Caretaker of such a large community. I cannot handle all of the needs of everyone personally, even though I try my hardest to be accommodating. I truly appreciate the support of those mentioned above and others who lend support to me in other ways.

I look forward to seeing you soon and enjoying another beautiful summer in Idlewild.

—Kevin (Goose) Jarigese
Idlewild Caretaker

Cell: 505-506-8467
Caretaker cabin: 575-377-2228
goose@idlewildcommunity.org

Visit the IWC website for updates and information

Forms for Changes of Address in the Idlewild Directory, Memorial Donations, and Memorial Plaques, which previously were included in the *Idle Times* newsletter, are now listed on the Idlewild website at:

<http://idlewildcommunity.org>



Join the IWC Facebook page for the latest news.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/IdlewildCommunity/>



~ In Memoriam ~

Bill Goodwin & Cora Sue Offill & William Paetzold
Dr. Stephen W. Watson & Jack Williams
Will Arco (neighbor and friend to Idlewild)
Frank Dodge (previous Idlewild Caretaker)

We remember those who have left us. If you know of others who are not included here, please email frankray@swbell.net so they can be included in the July 2020 bell ringing.

If you are interested in a memorial plaque for your loved one, visit www.idlewildcommunity.org and download the form.

Guest Ministers | Summer 2020

Date	Minister	Church Affiliation	IWC Referral
June 21	Reverend Courtney Richards	Harvard Avenue Christian	Treva Baker
June 28	Reverend Suzanne Castle	Jacksboro Christian	Maxi Dunham
July 5	Reverend Will Esler	Westminster Presbyterian	Donna Woolsey
July 12	Pastor Donald Hill	River Church	Jane Johnson
July 19	Pastor Charlie Dunn	Highland Park Presbyterian	Mary Colson
July 26	Pastor Anthony Inman	First Methodist Dumas	Pam Stork
August 2	Reverend Don Lee	Denton United Methodist	Kala Marsh
August 9	Pastor Andy Forman	Pinnacle Community	Kurt Oheim
August 16	Pastor Don Kirsch	Oak Grove United Methodist	Robert and Stacy Goodwin
August 23	Dr. Chad Chaddick	San Marcos Baptist	Johnnie Woodard
August 30	Reverend Canon Holly Herring	Trinity Cathedral Episcopal	Kyle Boston
September 6	Pastor Les Sharp	Faith Covenant	Karen and Larry Mizar

NOTICE: The Summer Ministry is subject to change depending on the ongoing situation with the COVID-19 self-isolation mandates.

Worship Center News

Welcome to the 2020 lineup of worship ministers for our Chapel in the Mountains. We have twelve wonderful ministers, with many coming to Idlewild for the first time. They are excited to be our guests and to share a message with our Idlewild Community.

Worship services begin June 21st, Father's Day, and will continue until September 6th, Labor Day weekend. Services begin at 10:30 a.m.

If you have ministers from your home community who would like to be a part of our 2021 season, please contact me. It's never too early for future planning.

Please feel free to contact me on the mountain at 33 Road 9 or via email or phone.

—Laura Oheim, Worship Center Coordinator
Email: lauraheim@me.com; phone: 806-654-0585



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Idlewild Events | Summer 2020

June 21–September 6	Worship Service at the Chapel every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
June 25–September 3	Game Night every Thursday at the IWC Community Center at 7:00 p.m.
July 3	Annual Hot Dog Cookout at the IWC Community Center at 5:00 p.m.
July 6	Poetry Party at 5:30 p.m. at the Colson cabin, 29 Road 4. RSVP to 214-212-5164.
July 25	IWC Annual Board of Directors meeting, 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center
July 26	Annual IWC Potluck following Worship Service at the Community Center
July 26	Annual IWC Meeting at 12:30 p.m. at the Community Center
September 6	Final Worship Service followed by end of season potluck at the Community Center

NOTICE:
Schedules are subject to change depending on the ongoing situation with the COVID-19 self-isolation mandates.

Community Events | Summer 2020

June 6	National Trails Day hike. Location and time TBA.
June 6–7	Fishing Tournament on Eagle Nest Lake. Call the Fly Shack at 505-485-8328 for more information.
June 19–September 11	Farmers’ Market every Friday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Golden Eagle RV Park.
June 27–July 4	Week-long activities to celebrate the 4th of July. Visit eaglenestchamber.org or pick up a schedule at the Gateway Museum & Visitor Center.
July 4	Eagle Nest Parade Firemen’s BBQ Fireworks over the lake at dark.
July 13	FRIENDS of the Eagle Nest Lake & Cimarron Canyon State Parks’ Annual Summer Meeting and Potluck. Meet at the Eagle Nest Lake State Park Visitor Center at 5:30 p.m. Visitors Welcome!
July 25-26	37th Annual High Country Arts & Crafts Festival If you are at your cabin during this time, plan to attend and help out at the festival. Your support is greatly appreciated. Plus, it’s fun!
August 1	River Roundup on the Cimarron River from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
August 14–16	5th Annual EagleFest, with music, hot air balloons, a 5K fun run, soap box race, plus more. Visit eaglenest.org for details.
September 19–27	28th Annual FishFest. Call 575-377-6941 for more information.



For various event details, visit the following websites:
eaglenestchamber.org | eaglenest.org | FriendsofEagleNestLake.org

Firewise Community Activity for 2019

Progress with our Firewise effort in 2019 was remarkably successful, due to a large number of participants, very fine vegetation removal and advisory work by the Caretaker, and better understanding of the various parameters for the annual data reports. The Firewise report is sent to a New Mexico liaison officer via an internet portal.

Many of our residents have scant knowledge of the four major risk mitigation standards that Firewise USA has established for (1) proximity areas cleared of combustibles, relative to a cabin or house on a lot, (2) quantity of vegetation units removed from each area, (3) out-of-pocket expenditures related to wildfire risk reduction, and (4) volunteer-hours of manual labor spent on the mitigation. A set of PDF pages showing the nature of the New Mexico

State portal has been developed to explain how your effort for the year is logged in a national unified system.

We will use our email server, MailChimp, and the Idlewild Facebook Group, to broadcast information related to these standards. The unified standard data form allows statistical analyses in the future across the USA that will measure the benefit of risk mitigation in the Wildland-Urban Interface. The IWCC Firewise management has been able, to date, to convert submitted data in all circumstances to the portal form. This is an indicator of an excellent effort for the portal design by Firewise USA. Our community has earned a new certificate announcing our success in 2019.

In the fall, the Firewise board agreed to an evaluation of wildfire

risk, as is required by our membership in Firewise USA. New Mexico forester Christopher Romo, who participated in the 2013 evaluation, was most generous in agreeing to do the job. Board member Joe Craig has been most helpful with the details. The evaluation day was defined as April 16, 2020, when the forest floor will be more navigable. Due to medical issues, I will not be present.

The risk evaluation by Chris Romo will provide data for changing our future efforts throughout the community to lower the probability of a serious fire event, and will also be an evaluation of how well we've done so far with our Firewise efforts.

—Frank Ray, Firewise
Community Representative

MailChimp Email Server

As of March 29th, the number of subscribers to our MailChimp list has risen to 291. The group preferring to receive *Idle Times* by mail now numbers 168. To subscribe, go to the website www.idlewild-community.org and click on the green button next to "Join our Mailing List." This will open a window to MailChimp where you can enter your personal contact information. To avoid interlopers, the fields marked with an asterisk are mandatory. The email address you enter will be used by the Idlewild Community for community messages only, and will not be shared with outsiders. Either you or a resident administrator appointed by the Board of Directors can make changes to your subscription record. The administration would prefer that you continue to control the data in your own MailChimp record. MailChimp can be used for commercial communication, ads, etc., BUT IT WILL NOT BE USED AS

SUCH BY THE IWCC. The goal of having all residents in the community registered in MailChimp by 2020 was set by the Board of Directors several years ago.

—Frank Ray, Data Management Chair

The FileMaker Database

As the annual assessment donations were received and logged by our Treasurer, Gabe Thornhill, he mailed me all of the stubs, most of which had recent changes. These were added to the database, working from Gabe's logging/deposit sheet. Other changes (departures, property sales, etc.) collected in 2019 were also applied. Our database has a total of 386 records to date. If there is anyone in the community with experience in data management and an interest in serving the Idlewild Community there may be a position for you on our management team.

—Frank Ray, Data Management Chair

Board Nominee Biographies for the 2020 Elections

Casey Krebs Bratton

From the moment my husband turned off Highway 64 and headed up to Idlewild in August of 1987, I've been smitten. Before that, I had never been to New Mexico and had no clue what I was missing!

I grew up in Dallas and attended the University of Oklahoma (Go Sooners!). In Dallas I'm an active volunteer for several organizations, and enjoy cooking and spending time with family and friends.

Bill and I will celebrate our 33rd anniversary in November; we have three sons and one daughter, three daughters-in-law, six grandkids, and two cats. We sold our home and moved downtown three years ago and still enjoy the freedom and adventure each day brings.

Our grandkids are the sixth generation of the Bratton family to enjoy Idlewild. I'm so proud of our mountain community, love it dearly, and look forward to serving on the board.



Jim Herman

My family became established in Idlewild in 1955, when my parents purchased our first four lots, then began construction of our cabin in the spring of 1956. So I've been around for a while, and I've been witness to quite a few changes in and around the collective Idlewild communities.

I'm happy to say that I feel most aspects of life in Idlewild have seen significant improvement over the span of my time as a member of the Idlewild community. And, putting a couple of notable snags aside, I have been well pleased with the direction in which our community has been led, and I appreciate all of those who have taken on leadership roles in their efforts to bring about positive changes.

Some of you may remember that I have previously served a few terms on our community's Board of Directors. As a member of the Idlewild board, I would be happy to put the necessary time and energy into serving again. I look forward to becoming more involved in the processes of making Idlewild work and I appreciate your consideration of me.

Board Nominee Biographies for the 2020 Elections



Kyle Boston

We have had a family cabin in Idlewild since the 1940s. My grandfather, my father, and his buddies built it, bringing materials from Amarillo on weekends. I wasn't allowed to come until I was three years old, which makes this my 58th summer! My heart is in Idlewild and it is my favorite place on God's earth.

My husband Bobby and I are able to spend our summers at the cabin, as we are both retired. My favorite spot is our little church, worshipping outdoors and leading the service when asked.

Phil Stickney

I was born in the Finger Lakes region of upstate New York and moved to Texas in 1975 after stops in Bowling Green, Ohio, for college, and Wilmington, North Carolina, for my first job selling advertising space for the local newspaper. My wife, Glenda, brought me to Idlewild for the first time in 1998. Growing up where I did, I had always thought New Mexico was a desert. Boy, was I wrong!

Glenda had been coming to Idlewild with her parents, Elmer and Margaret LaRoche, since 1954. The LaRoche cabin is the one on Highway 127 with the wine flag displayed. We remodeled and winterized the cabin in 2008 in anticipation of our retirement and lots of time to spend in the cool mountains every summer.

I worked in the telecommunications industry for 26 years in contract management and marketing. Since our retirement I have helped Glenda with the High Country Arts and Crafts Festival and other projects for the community of Eagle Nest. We truly enjoy and cherish our friends and mountain family in Eagle Nest and can't wait to get back there each summer and away from the oppressive summer heat in the Dallas area.



Proxy - Nominations for 2020 Elections

The Nominating Committee for the 2020 elections (Don Woolsey and Sue Dorr) has nominated the following individuals for a three-year term ending in 2023 on the Board of Directors. See information about each individual in this newsletter.

NAME OF NOMINEE	FOR	AGAINST
Kyle Boston	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Casey Krebs Bratton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Herman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phil Stickney	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

After making your selections, this proxy letter should be sent to:

The Idlewild Community
PO Box 225
Eagle Nest, NM 87718

Use this document to mail. You may cut out this page and fold it in thirds so that the address on the back is in the proper place. Tape the page shut and adhere postage.

Submissions must be received by Friday, July 24, 2020, in order to be counted.

Proxy: For the member of Idlewild Community Center, a New Mexico Corporation, this proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors.

The undersigned appoints the Board of Directors, as the proxy of the undersigned, with power of substitution, to vote and otherwise represent the undersigned at the annual meeting of members of the Corporation at 12:30 p.m. on July 26, 2020, at the Community Center, Idlewild, Colfax County, New Mexico, and any adjournments thereof, with the same effect as if the undersigned were present and voting on the following matters and in the following manner.

- (1) The election of the above persons as directors of the Corporation to serve until the next annual meeting of members and until their successors are elected and qualified.
- (2) To vote or otherwise represent my membership on any other business or on other matters which should properly come before the meeting or any adjournments thereof according to its decision.

In the event this proxy is not returned to the Chairman, the membership represented by this proxy will be voted **FOR** each of the above persons and/or proposals.

Print Name

Date

Signature

**TO: Idlewild Community
P.O. Box 225
Eagle Nest, NM 87718**

Early Assessment Payers — 2020

Thanks to all who sent an early donation. A FREE copy of the 2020 IWCC Directory will be mailed to your home.

Map Name	IW Prop.	Map Name	IW Prop.	Map Name	IW Prop.
Anthony	16 Rd 6	Griffith/Wilkinson	36 Rd 3	Orr	101 Rd 9
Anthony, O.	62 Trail's End	Grigsby	11 Rd 11	Palmer	90 Rd 9
Archer	15 Rd 14	Hare	32 Rd 1	Paulsell	25 Rd 9
Bailey	128 Rd 9	Hargrave	65 Rd 9	Pomeroy	32 Rd 11
Bailey, G.	Vacant (B20,53)	Harrison	102 Rd 9	Porter	317 Hwy 127
Barnard	11 Rd 14	Haydon	277 Hwy 127	Posey	14 Rd 10
Beretta	311 Hwy 127	Henthorn	92 Rd 9	Putnam	273 Hwy 127
Bethard	30 Rd 15	Herman	61 Rd 9	Putnam	273 Hwy 127
Blanton	46 Rd 12	Herring	28 Rd 6	Raef	52 Rudis Rd
Bonner	254 Hwy 127	Hilburn	26 Rd 7	Randall	52 Rd 9
Boulware, D.	39 Rd 4	Hornsby	19 Rd 4	Ray	24 Rd 6
Boulware, K.	25 Rd 4	Houser	27 Rd 4	Reeder	260 Hwy 127
Bratton	22 Rd 5	Hukill	40 Rudis Rd	Reid	48 Enchanted
Bratton	Vacant(B118)	Hukill, W.	38 Rd 4	Reynolds	109 Rd 9
Bratton, G.	21 Rd 6	Hull, C.	25 Rd 15	Riedt/Wall	17 Rd 11
Brooks	36 Rd 1	Hull, J.	10 Rd 15	Runner	190 Hwy 127
Brown	37 Rd 1	Hull, K.	38 Rd 15	Rupperecht	46 Rd 9
Brucker	82 Enchanted	Hull, W.	47 Rd 3	Russell	15 Rd 4
Bruckner	240 Hwy 127	Hullum	268 Hwy 127	Schudy	21 Rd 14
Bryant	Vacant (B1)	Hutchison	64 Trail's End	Shaller	30 Rd 5
Bussey	Vacant (B29,44)	Jackson-Paton	10 Trail's End	Shelton	23 Rd 4
Butler/Richardson	29 Covington	Jefferson	67 Rd 9	Sluder	42 Rd 12
Castleberry	40 Rd 12	Johansen	91 Rd 9	Speed	Vacant (B66,79)
Cernosek	28 Rd 7	Johnson Compound	279 Hwy 127	Stevens	244 Hwy 127
Chisum	39 Rd 11	Johnson, L.	44 Rd 9	Stone, D.	19 & 35 Rd 3
Clay	236 Hwy 127	Johnson, R.	267 Hwy 127	Stone, Dg.	15 Rd 3
Coleman	371 Hwy 127	Kaye	25 Rd 6	Stone, Jr., D.	29 & 31 Rd 3
Colson	29 Rd 4	Kirk/Brashear	46 Rd 3	Sutton	276 Hwy 127
Couch	106 Rd 9	Kopenits	15 Rd 11	Taylor	12 Rd 6
Covington	21 Covington	Lambert	34 Rd 4	Thedford	Vacant (B44)
Craig	301 Hwy 127	Laminack	54 Trail's End	Thomas	71 Rd 12
Davis, C.	35 Rd 3	Langen	Vacant (B140)	Thomas, D.	125 Rd 9
Davis, W.	258 Hwy 127	Lewis, M.	87 Rd 9	Thomason	17 Rd 14
Davis, W.	263 Hwy 127	Lewisville	36 Rd 11	Thompson	Vacant (B124)
DeMeritt	56 Rd 1	Macina	252 Hwy 127	Thornhill	77 Rd 9
Doolin	40 Rd 9	Martin	91 Trail's End	Valdez	Vacant (B52)
Dorr	42 Rd 6	May	41 Rd 3	Vecchio	51 Rd 1
Dorris	343 Hwy 127	McClure	28 Rd 5	Vucich	57 Rd 12
Duby	49 Rd 2	McKinney	12 Rd 15	Waneeen Co.	43 Rd 3
Duncan, J.	Vacant (B45)	McMahan	26 Rd 3	Warner	315 Hwy 127
Duncan, R.	21 Rd 3	McNair	105 Rd 9	Waters	116 Rd 9
Dunlap	70 Rd 12	Medford	27 Rd 9	Watson	25 Rd 5
Fahrenthold	16 Rd 9	Michael	50 Rd 1	Weidenmaier	269 Hwy 127
Forbis/Prather	114 Rd 9	Miller/Via	13 Rd 9	Wells/Sudduth	30 Rd 6
Fore	86 Rudis Rd	Millican	20 Rd 15	Wheeler	32 Rd 5
Garnett	45 Rd 1	Milsow/Dunlap	68 Rd 12	Willburn, E.	40 Rd 1
Gaston	272 Hwy 127	Mixon	257 Hwy 127	Willburn, F.	85 Enchanted
Gee	60 Trail's End	Mizar/O'Steen	40 Rd 4	Willburn, J.	79,81,83 Ench.
George	29 Rd 13	Montague	352 Hwy 127	Williams, C.	20 Rd 13
Gibbs	360 Hwy 127	Moran	299 Hwy 127	Williams, L.	15 Rd 10
Gilcrease	Vacant (B51)	Mueller	16 Rd 5	Williams, L.	11 Rd 12
Goodwin, C.	10 Rd 10	Naylor	232 Hwy 127	Woodburn	17 Rd 5
Goodwin/Herrera	278 Hwy 127	O'Quin	39 Rd 2	Woolsey	221 Hwy 127
Gorohoff/Houser	37 Rd 4	O'Steen/Mizar	40 Rd 4	York	77 Enchanted
Graham	75 Enchanted	Oheim	33 Rd 9		

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