

Spring 2014

# Idle Times

A publication for the Greater Idlewild Community

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### Fiber Optic Service Installation Election Form

Action required. In case you missed the election form in your Kit Carson electric bill this month, here is what you need to know. As many of you know Kit Carson received a \$64 million grant to provide fiber optic service infrastructure to all homes and businesses in the Kit Carson service territory. This does not mean you have to install the service. However, you should allow them access to run the lines for service even if you do not want any service from them at this time. Here is why. At this time because of the grant money, there is no charge for running the lines. If at some point in the future you want service, but did not elect to have the lines run now, it will cost you money. They list their deadline for completion as December 31 of this year. Also if the construction crews have moved on to another area after finishing Idlewild, and you signed up late, you will go to the end of the list and be connected as time allows. So fill out the form or if you missed the form, go to the website. You will need your meter number from your bill. Again, if you don't want service at this time, it does not cost you anything. But you still need to check the box to allow the lines to be run. [www.kitcarson.com](http://www.kitcarson.com)

Call Kit Carson at 575-758-2258 for questions.

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## President's Letter

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To All Idlewilders:

My brother-in-law, Joe Wheeler, the owner of the Gist cabin, obtained a group of home movies taken in Idlewild during the late 1930s. The movies were found by the family of one of the former owners of the cabin. They show the Gist and Randall cabins and families that were vacationing at those cabins. The films illustrate very clearly the evolution of life in Idlewild in 75 years. The current generation visiting Idlewild does not "rough it" in a cool get-away place where the fishing is good (think out-houses and jerry cans for water). We are becoming a community with a character-rich architecture that is reachable and enjoyable with modern amenities most of the year. Balancing the historical Idlewild with its evolving modern version is an ongoing challenge faced by the board. The current availability of e-media for communicating rather than by using the U.S. Mail is one of those

challenges. We hope to make greater use of email in the future to increase the number of contacts between the board and property owners, to lower the costs of communicating, and to gently bring the benefits of new technologies to the community.

Over the fall and summer we were able to discuss Idlewild with the New Mexico Forest Service. They have provided us with a forecast of the future that is not what we hoped. The ongoing drought has had a potentially disastrous impact on the forest. Informally, they caution that because of the drought we could lose from one-third to one-half of our trees due to disease. There is not much we can do about this other than remove dead or dying trees before they become a fire danger. We are facing another dangerous fire season this year, so take all necessary precautions.

With fire danger so high, the availability of an "immediate response" capability in Idlewild would supplement our normal fire protection program of cleaning and clearing the forest of dead and dying trees. Past experience indicates that there

is benefit to attacking a small ground fire before it becomes a larger fire while waiting for the fire department to arrive. The Idlewild board is engaged in preliminary discussions about locating water storage tanks at strategic points around the community as an insurance measure. John Forbis has prepared a preliminary plan for eight tanks located in positions where the greatest number of cabins ("neighborhoods") can be protected. Bill Coleman has plans to install a 1,000-gallon tank near his cabin in Klondyke as a local resource. Over the summer we can discuss the plan for fire water tanks further to see if it fits Idlewild and, if neighborhood's are formed, to get into the details of the program.

Indications are that this will be a good year for Idlewild. See you on the mountain!!

Paul Fahrenthold  
*IWCC President*

## Two-Lot Owners List & Emergency Notification System

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The table below lists owners of two lots in Idlewild. Unfortunately, there is limited development (no well or septic system) possible for owners of two lots. The Idlewild Board of Directors encourages owners of two lots to contact their neighbors for a possible sale to recover any value of the holdings. Alternatively, if you are a cabin owner near the listed lots, you may contact the owners for a purchase to expand/consolidate your property. Please contact Frank Dodge or a member of the Board for assistance, if needed.

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|--|--------------------------|-------------------|----|-------|-----------|---|
| Joe & Karen Frey                         | 602 Schneider Alley      | Logan             | NM | 88426 | B3L15,16  | 2 |
| M. D. & F. D. Mealey,<br>c/o F. D. Mealy | 1418 Grayton St.         | Gross Pointe Park | MI | 48230 | B81L15-16 | 2 |
| Phillip Miller                           | P.O. Box 1211            | Cottonwood        | AZ | 86326 | B112L7,8  | 2 |
| San Felero Land Co.                      | 520 Ranchitos NW         | Albuquerque       | NM | 87114 | B66L7-8   | 2 |
| Nancy Ohr Selby Est.,<br>c/o Ken Kordes  | 6322 S. Newland Ct.      | Littleton         | CO | 80123 | B42L7,8   | 2 |
| Carol Templeton                          | 1406 Red Bud Cir.        | Jonesboro         | AR | 72401 | B63L3-4   | 2 |
| Kay & Alan Thompson                      | P.O. Box 218             | Miami             | TX | 79059 | B124L4-5  | 2 |
| Susan Trujillo                           | P.O. Box 2439            | Ranchos de Taos   | NM | 87557 | B2L9-10   | 2 |
| Edith M. Zelle,<br>c/o John Black        | 6713 Club Meadows<br>Dr. | Amarillo          | TX | 79124 | B5L11-12  | 2 |
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## Colfax County Emergency Notification System

Colfax County provides the Emergency Notification System (ENS), which has various means of notifying all concerned when there is danger of forest fires or other major imminent or potential threats to life and property.

You can log in to register and/or check on your registration data at the following link <http://www.co.colfax.nm.us>

On the left side click on the “Emergency Notification System”, which will pull up the ENS description. At the bottom is a link: [AlertRegistration](#), for registering or logging in if you’re already registered. The system is designed for residents currently located in Colfax County.

Once registered, the Colfax County Office of Emergency Management will send you an email from “alerts.firstcall.net” to verify, and ask that you place that email address in your computer’s address book if you use spam filters. This assures that you will get email from the system.

You can get more information about the system by visiting [www.firstcall.net](http://www.firstcall.net).



## Festivities for July

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### ***NO Greater Idlewild Band***

The Greater Idlewild Flatbed Parade Band has been discontinued this year and will not be organized unless someone new steps up. If you would like to volunteer to carry on this longstanding tradition, I know many of us would like to see it continued.

### ***Eagle Nest Parade***

The July 4th parade will begin at 2:00 p.m. Friday in Eagle Nest.



Arriving early with your lawn chair is highly recommended for a good view. Be sure to eat lunch or dinner (or both) at the Firemen's annual BBQ fundraiser from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This annual event raises money for the Eagle Nest Volunteer Fire Department. As always, their motto is "You come to our BBQ, we'll come to your fire."

### ***3rd of July Party***

The annual Hot Dog Cookout will be held again this year, on Thursday, July 3rd, at 5:00 p.m. (or after the rain stops). It will be located as in the past at the Palmer and Henthorn cabins, 90 and 91 on Road 9.



Bring your own tables, chairs, and a covered dish to share. Hot dogs, chili, tea, lemonade, and water will be provided. BYOB! The event is very family-friendly. Thanks again to the Palmer and Henthorn families who continue the tradition in helping to make our holiday in Idlewild special. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Nicholls, email: [amanda@2amps.com](mailto:amanda@2amps.com).

The **Annual Meeting** will be July 27 this year. Special guest Mark Johnson of Sol



Luna Solar will make a presentation on solar energy. Mark has done many projects in the enchanted circle including several of the local schools.



Mary Lib Thornhill has issued an invitation to her art show at the Eagle Nest Community Center, Saturday, July 26, from 4-6 p.m. Paintings will include oil, and pastels, as well as watercolors. Wine and cheese will be served.



Our President Paul Fahrenthold has agreed to share the movies of Idlewild mentioned in his letter on page 2. These are from the 1930's and should be interesting history of what our area looked like at that time. We will have a projector and screen and show a family oriented movie following the Idlewild film. Bring snacks and lets make it a fun night.

# Maps & Directory

## Directory, Maps, & Database

F. Ray & H. Hyams

The “IWCC 2014” Directories have now been printed by Cenveo Corp. in Amarillo. Early assessment payers for 2014 should have received a free copy via U.S. Mail in May. Other copies will be available from the Caretaker for a small donation. Mail processing remains with Panhandle Pre-Sort, also in Amarillo. A groundswell of mobile telephone numbers appeared with this Directory editing cycle, signaling a new era for telephone use in the Idlewild Community. Residents please note that data on the assessment forms is passed from the Treasurer to IWCC data management, where it provides a great deal of information for revisions to the database and Directory each year.

A new 2014 map edition is in preparation for printing at Miller Blueprint in Austin. The first set will consist of 200 double-sided sheets, laminated with 5-mil plastic, an idea first suggested by Sarah Anthony and dubbed “The Idlewild Placemat” by Joan Kaye. The suggested donation for receiving a laminated double map is \$10. A portion of these will be sold on several Sundays, and a portion will be given to Caretaker Dodge, for those whose stay on the mountain does not include a visit to the Sunday services when maps are being distributed. A second batch of foldable paper maps will also be available for a suggested donation of \$5 each. Larger maps can be produced by special request. The large maps displayed in our Community Center will be updated in July.

For several years, a more robust data management method has laid the foundation for a centralized community database. Interaction and data linkage between the Directory, mailing lists, *Idle Times*, treasury, maps, local emergency responders, Colfax County, and the IWCC Board of Directors generates a need for continuous updating and monitoring. All of the mailing lists needed throughout the year are generated from the database, for example, as is the typesetting for our annual IWCC Directory. Standard tools – FileMaker, MS Office, and Power CADD – are used extensively to keep the data management under control, stable, and secure. Recently, we have begun using Cloud storage to maintain access to critical data from any location.

The data management team sends thanks to all who take care to send corrections for the database & Directory and who inform the IWCC about family members who have an interest in their property and in our community. Continuation of such information flow will greatly help to strengthen the IWCC’s organizational health for years to come.

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Road 9

Dangerous Road

Drive Carefully , Road under repair.

## Ministers' Calendar Summer of 2014

|                 |                      |                      |                 |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| June 15, 2014   | Dr. Marshall Zieman  | Presbyterian         | Dallas, TX      |
| June 22, 2014   | Dr. Tom Boyd         | Presbyterian         | Santa Fe, NM    |
| June 29, 2014   | Dr. Barbara Boyd     | Presbyterian         | Santa Fe, NM    |
| July 6, 2014    | Dr. Robert Lee Hill  | Christian Disciples  | Kansas City, MO |
| July 13, 2014   | Rev. Dale Matherly   | Christian Disciples  | Topeka, KS      |
| July 20, 2014   | Dr. Robert Gorrell   | Methodist            | Edmond, OK      |
| July 27, 2014   | Rev. Don Summerville | Methodist            | Canyon Lake, TX |
| August 3, 2014  | Dr. Troy Messenger   | Union Theo. Seminary | NYC, New York   |
| August 10, 2014 | Rev. Howard Fadner   | Baptist              | Dallas, TX      |
| August 17, 2014 | Rev. Lane Boyd       | Methodist            | Amarillo, TX    |
| August 24, 2014 | Rev. Bob George      | Christian            | Kansas City, MO |
| August 31, 2014 | Rev. Tim Forman      | Baptist              | Star City, AR   |
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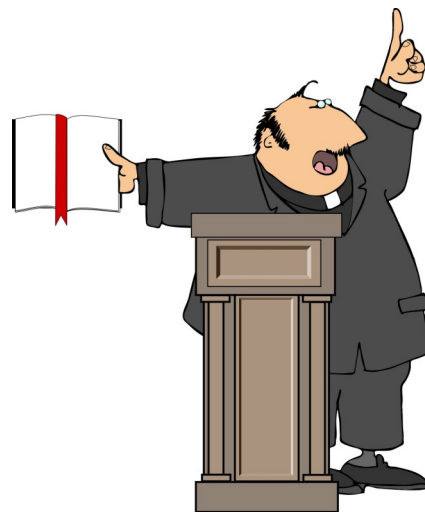
### Idlewild Worship Center News

*From Donna Porter*

Once again our pulpit and guest cabin will enjoy some very talented and friendly ministers. We will begin our first worship on Father's Day, June 15th, with Dr. Marshall Zieman from Highland Park Presbyterian in Dallas. The following two Sundays, we have a minister couple from Albuquerque; they are sure to keep you on the edge of your chair! So the summer is getting off to a great start with preachers.

The other important component of our worship service is the worship leader. That is where *you* come in. Please be willing to help fill our schedule of worship leaders. Don't wait to be asked—call, write, or email Donna Porter, 816-363-8105, 729 W. 100th St., Kansas City, MO 64114, [djint@sbcglobal.net](mailto:djint@sbcglobal.net). I will provide you with a few outlines that other worship leaders have used to conduct the service. It is *not* a hard job. If you can announce a hymn number, you can be a worship leader! (even though Ron Wells says that as soon as a microphone is in front of us, our IQ drops 100 points!).

It will be great to be together again at Idlewild worship, so please drive carefully and thank you to those who have contributed the names of great ministers. We have another good lineup for the summer of 2014! Thanks!!



## 2014 Early Payers' List

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Allen 38 Rd 4             | Anderson 34 Rd 15       | Anthony 62 Trail's End       |
| Anthony 16 Rd 6           | Axe 15 Rd 14            | Bailey 128 Rd 9              |
| Baker 85 Enchanted        | Baker 20 Rd 15          | Barnard 11 Rd 14             |
| Blankenship 102 Rd 9      | Blanton 46 Rd 12        | Bonner 254 Hwy 127           |
| Boulware 25 Rd 4          | Boulware 39 Rd 4        | Bratton 22 Rd 5              |
| Bratton Vacant(B118)      | Breen Vacant (B20,53)   | Brisbin 56 Trail's End       |
| Brooks 36 Rd 1            | Brown 37 Rd 1           | Brucker 82 Enchanted         |
| Bryant Vacant (B1)        | Butler 29 Covington     | Camp 76 Enchanted            |
| Castleberry 40 Rd 12      | Cernosek 28 Rd 7        | Chism 268 Hwy 127            |
| Chisum 39 Rd 11           | Clark Family24 Rd 15    | Coleman 371 Hwy 127          |
| Colson 29 Rd 4            | Conley 238 Hwy 127      | Couch 106 Rd 9               |
| Covington 21&23 Covington | Crawford 22 Rd 4        | Cullender 33 Rd 9            |
| Cullers Vacant (B40)      | Davis 258 Hwy 127       | Dees 40 Rd 1                 |
| DeMeritt 56 Rd 1          | Dietz 41 Rd 2           | Doolin 40 Rd 9               |
| Dorman 20 Rd 6            | Dorr 42 Rd 6            | Duby 49 Rd 2                 |
| Duff 277 Hwy 127          | Duncan Vacant (B45)     | Duncan 21 Rd 3               |
| Dunlap 70 Rd 12           | Dunlap 70 Rd 12         | Eckles 36 Rd 11              |
| Fahrenthold 16 Rd 9       | Farren 18&20 Rd 3       | Flage 65 Rd 9                |
| Fore86 Rudis Rd           | Frey Vacant (B3)        | Gaston 272 Hwy 127           |
| Gee 60 Trail's End        | George 29 Rd 13         | Gibbs 360 Hwy 127            |
| Gibson 237 Hwy 127        | Gilcrease Vacant (B51)  | Goodwin 364 Hwy 127          |
| Goodwin 10 Rd 10          | Goodwin 278 Hwy 127     | Graham 75 Enchanted          |
| Grigsby 11 Rd 11          | Haman 52 Rd 9           | Hare 32 Rd 1                 |
| Hart 20&22 Rd 8           | Heisler Vacant (B27)    | Henthorn 92 Rd 9             |
| Hetherington 57 Rd 12     | Hilburn 26 Rd 7         | Hornsby 19 Rd 4              |
| Houser 27 Rd 4            | Houser 37 Rd 4          | Howard 11 Rd 9               |
| Hukill40 Rudis Rd         | Hull 10 Rd 15           | Hull 38 Rd 15                |
| Hull 47 Rd 3              | Irby 11 Covington       | Jackson-Paton 10 Trail's End |
| Johansen 91 Rd 9          | Johnson 279 Hwy 127     | Johnson 44 Rd 9              |
| Johnson 267 Hwy 127       | Junkin 21 Rd 6          | Kaye 25 Rd 6                 |
| Kopenits 15 Rd 11         | Lambert 34 Rd 4         | Laminack 54 Trail's End      |
| Langen Vacant (B140)      | Lewis 87 Rd 9           | Love Estate Vacant (G)       |
| Martin 91 Trail's End     | Martinez 240 Hwy 127    | Matta 45 Rd 3                |
| Maverick Club 341 Hwy 127 | McClure 28 Rd 5         | McGhee 18 Rd 6               |
| McKinney 12 Rd 15         | McNair 105 Rd 9         | Medford 27 Rd 9              |
| Michael 50 Rd 1           | Middleton 13 Rd 3       | Miller 13 Rd 9               |
| Millican 10 Rd 3          | Milsow 68 Rd 12         | Mixon 257 Hwy 127            |
| Mizar 40 Rd 4             | Montague 352 Hwy 127    | Moran 299 Hwy 127            |
| Morgan 21 Rd 8            | Mueller 16 Rd 5         | Myers 231 Hwy 127            |
| Naylor 232 Hwy 127        | O'Quin 39 Rd 2          | Paetzold 25 Rd 3             |
| Palmer 90 Rd 9            | Patterson 14 Rd 13      | Paulsell 25 Rd 9             |
| Pons 29 Rd 9              | Porter 317 Hwy 127      | Posey 14 Rd 10               |
| Prather-Forbis 114 Rd 9   | Putnam 273 Hwy 127      | Putnam 273 Hwy 127           |
| Putnam 273 Hwy 127        | Raef 52 Rudis Rd        | Ray 24 Rd 6                  |
| Reavis Estate 261 Hwy 127 | Reeder 260 Hwy 127      | Reedy 65 Rd 12               |
| Reid 48 Enchanted         | Reid 14 Rd 6            | Reynolds 109 Rd 9            |
| Rupprecht 46 Rd 9         | Russell 15 Rd 4         | Scott Vacant (B44)           |
| Shaller 30 Rd 5           | Smalley 23 Rd 4         | Smith 64 Trail's End         |
| Speed Vacant (B66,79)     | Stahl 23 Rd 14          | Stevens 244 Hwy 127          |
| Stickney 271 Hwy 127      | Stone 15 Rd 3           | Stone, Jr. 29 Rd 3           |
| Stone, Sr. 19&35 Rd 3     | Stork 263 Hwy 127       | Stubbs 76 Enchanted          |
| Sultemeier 30&31 Rd 1     | Sutton 276 Hwy 127      | Tarter 26 Rd 6               |
| Taylor 12 Rd 6            | Thomas71 Rd 12          | Thomason 17 Rd 14            |
| Thompson Vacant (B124)    | Thompson Vacant (B53)   | Thornhill Vacant (B5)        |
| Thornhill 77 Rd 9         | Tidmore 234 Hwy 127     | Twing 31 Rd 3                |
| Valdez Vacant (B52)       | Waters 116 Rd 9         | Watson 25 Rd 5               |
| Webb 12 Rd 10             | Weidenmaier 269 Hwy 127 | Wells 30 Rd 6                |
| Wheeler 32 Rd 5           | Wilkinson 36 Rd 3       | Willburn 50 Trail's End      |
| Williams 20 Rd 13         | Williams 11 Rd 12       | Williams 15 Rd 10            |
| Willis 11 Rd 10           | Wolverton 42 Rd 9       | Woodburn 17 Rd 5             |
| Woolsey 221 Hwy 127       | York 77 Enchanted       |                              |



## Biographies

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### **Skip Johnson**

Beth and I were introduced to Idlewild by some dear friends, fell in love with the area, and bought our Idlewild cabin in 1998 before I retired. We have thoroughly enjoyed both it and the community. Rather than moving to Houston, I retired from Mobil Oil in 2000 when Exxon acquired Mobil. At Mobil I was responsible for deepwater production system technology development. For a few years following retirement from Mobil, I worked as a consultant on offshore development projects and presented deepwater technology workshops to oil and gas companies interested in becoming active in the Gulf of Mexico.

Beth and I have two grown and married children and two lovely grandchildren who spend much of July with us at the cabin and express year-round interest in going to *their* cabin. They are both accomplished fisherpersons, having caught trout in the Cimarron. One has even played with the Idlewild band in the July 4th parade—they are three and five.

I am committed to doing my best for the community so that it is enjoyable for both current residents and fu-



ture generations. I currently serve as a member of the Idlewild board.

### **Bill Bratton**

My great-grandmother built one of the original cabins at Idlewild, and I began going for summer visits when I was a small child. That original cabin has since been sold, and the sixth generation of the Bratton family is now enjoying the cabin that my parents, Bill and Locile, built over 20 years ago.

I was raised in Fort Worth, TX, earned my B.S.M.E. at Texas Tech, and graduated from SMU Law School. I have been practicing law in Dallas for 38 years. I am married to Casey and have three sons, one daughter, two daughters-in-law, and four grandchildren. I currently serve on the Idlewild board.



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### **Maxi Millican**

I am fortunate to have had grandparents who wanted a cool place to escape the dust bowl of the 1930s. They had a farm near White Deer outside of Amarillo. In about 1930 they found the Sangre de Cristo Summer Colony (now Idlewild Community) and started visiting every summer. In 1936 they bought the rock cabin at what is now the intersection of Highway 127 and Road 3. At the time of the purchase it was just a rock shell. First on my grandfather's to-do list was the installation of windows to keep the bears out. Since that time, most summers the family has sought out the cool mountain air. I was six on my first trip to the cabin. After that I spent most summers on the mountain playing with Mayme Marrs' grandchildren. Horror struck when I got my first job after graduating from UT Arlington, with only two weeks of vacation a year! That gave me one week in the summer and a week at Christmas to spend in Idlewild. One week of hiking and one week of skiing is just not enough.

I now work at Dell (the computer

company) in the Law Department. I am a paralegal and manage the Dell global trademark portfolio. Dell has a remote connected workforce program, so I am able to do my job from anywhere as long as I have an internet connection. So now I get to escape the heat of Texas for the cool mountain air. Work is work but the view and temperature is sure better at the cabin. Love to hike every chance I get. I recently took up kayaking and have much to learn about reading the river.

Dell is a great place to work. In addition to my immediate job responsibilities I have had the opportunity over the last 20 years



to represent Dell in many roles in the International Trademark Association (a trade organization of trademark owners and legal counsel specializing in trademark law) I have chaired numerous committees and served 4 years on the Board of Directors.

### **Gabe Thornhill**

I stay at the cabin my grandfather built back in the '50's. My Mom, Mary Lib Thornhill, has been coming up to Idlewild for over 60 years. I've been coming up since I was a child. My Wife, Susie, and three boys, Curry (21), Gabriel (13), and Travis (11) have all been coming most of their lives. I live in Austin, TX, and work as an investment advisor.





# Proxy

The Nominating Committee for the 2014 elections consist of Ann Knupp-Matta and Maxi Millican. The following have been nominated to serve a three-year term:

| Name of Nominee | FOR | AGAINST |
|-----------------|-----|---------|
| 3-YEAR TERM     |     |         |
| Bill Bratton    |     |         |
| Skip Johnson    |     |         |
| Maxi Millican   |     |         |
| Gabe Thornhill  |     |         |
|                 |     |         |

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

The Idlewild Community

P.O. Box 225

Eagle Nest, NM 87718

Use this document to mail. You may cut out this page, fold 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 25, 2014, 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 member of the Corporation at 1:00 p.m. on July 27, 2014 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.

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.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The Idlewild Community

P.O. Box 225

Eagle Nest, NM 87718

## Plaques & Memorials

### ***DONATION in Memory of Loved one (NO PLAQUE)***

*A donation in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ has been made to the Idlewild Community*

*In memory of \_\_\_\_\_*

*This gift is given by \_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of donor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

***Payable to: Idlewild Community, Attn: Sparky Eckles, , 701 N.Trumbull, Spur, TX 79370***

Please provide the information requested above, detach here, and include with your donation. Thank you

**Important: Donations in Memory get mailed to Sparky Eckles above, Plaque orders ONLY get mailed to Louise at address below.**

### **Memorial Plaque Order (This is ONLY for a Plaque)**

Each plaque costs **\$65.00 (Price subject to vendor cost)**. Each plaque has two lines with a maximum of 20 spaces per line. Mail completed order with a check payable to "Idlewild Memorial Center" and direct all questions to:

May 15th to Nov. 1st: Louise Montague

General Delivery

Eagle Nest, NM 87718

(575) 377-3847

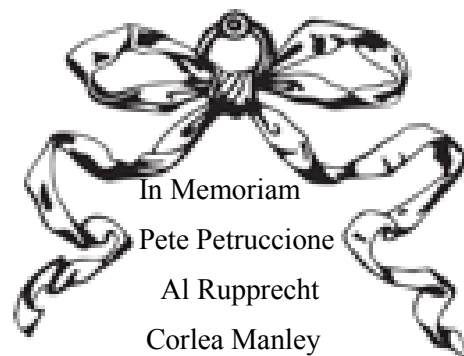
cell 602 326 8102

Nov. 1st to May 15th: Louise Montague

11536 De La O Rd.

Scottsdale, AZ 85255

(480) 585-6031



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*Please detach this order form and include with your check.*

Each line may be up to 20 spaces total, including letters, spaces between letters, and punctuation.

Line One

\_\_\_\_\_

Line Two

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Ordered By \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

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## Preacher's Cabin receives repairs



### Preachers Cabin Repairs

*By Paul Fahrenthold*

In mid-April the weather cleared and we were able to begin the exploration of the west side of the preachers cabin.

The photos shown were taken at the end of the day. You can see that excavation extends the entire length of the west side of the cabin. A French drain will be installed in the trench at the end of the project to catch water that comes down the nearby road and little hill and off the roof. A couple of the photos show the deterioration of the foundation, as expected. One photo shows the pile of tree stumps that were removed from the area of the trench. They



will be hauled off for disposal.



A brief inspection of the foundation under the cabin (it's not possible to get photos under there) shows limited support of the floor that must be corrected. The difficulty in the inspection arises from deposits of about 2 feet of soil under the west wall. The soil extends about 4 feet under the interior of the cabin measured from the west wall. The problems found are a mixture of no foundation supports and support beams apparently laid on bare ground.

There are quite a few options for correcting the current situation. They each have positive and negative aspects. Don and I will be evaluating them along with contractors during the next weeks to determine the best options that we can afford with the available funds. At a minimum, there will have to be



supports installed under the floor joists of the west side of the cabin, from the front door to the end of the bathroom. After that, other restoration such as replacing the base course on the west side of the cabin can be done.





# Local Cabin Weather Station installed by Sid Covington

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## Creating a Local Cabin Weather Station

*Sid Covington, Chairman, Board of Directors, Lone Star Rail District, ([www.LoneStarRail.com](http://www.LoneStarRail.com)); Base Camp Manager, Philmont Scout Ranch*

I've had my weather station for several years. The first one I had did temperature and rainfall only and wirelessly communicated with a display in the cabin. A couple of years ago, I purchased an Acu-Link weather station with a "Five in One" sensor. The sensor is mounted on my roof and communicates directly with the weather station inside the cabin. I also purchased a wireless bridge for it, which communicates with the wireless router that is connected to my DSL phone line. This bridge permits the sensor to be read over the internet.

When this was done, I was able to view the station's readings (temperature, wind speed/direction, humidity, rainfall, and barometric pressure) over the internet using either a web browser on my computers or an app on my iPhone.

Weather Underground is a free website that permits registered users to link their sensors to the Weather Underground site. To do this, you sign on to the Weather Underground site and create a user account. Using this account, you provide the information about your site—name, location, internet url, etc. I used Google Earth to get the exact coordinates of my cabin and verified them with GeoTags on photos I'd taken from the spot. This "publishes" the weather station to the Weather Underground website. The station at my cabin can be accessed at

<http://www.wunderground.com/weatherstation/WXDailyHistory.asp?ID=KNMEAGLE2>. "KMEAGLE2" is the name of my station. I've also registered my station at my house in Austin and my son's in Pflugerville. This summer I'll work on getting the weather station at Philmont that I installed a few years ago up and running.

One thing I had to do was put Uninterruptable Power Supplies (battery backups) on my camera and router. This allows them to stay up when the power drops. The sensor itself is solar-powered and has internal batteries that appear to last a really long time.

Specifics on the weather station are:

[www.acurite.com/aculink](http://www.acurite.com/aculink)

5-in-1 Sensor

Acu-Link Internet Bridge with Remote Monitoring

## Idlewild Community Board of Directors

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|                |                  | Term expires |
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# Directory Changes & Cookbook

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## *The Idlewild Cookbook*

### **More recipes are still being accepted**

The goal is for the cookbook to be published in 2015. Please send me your favorite recipes. All recipe categories are needed: appetizers, bread, soup/salad, veggie/starch, meat (especially beef, pork, game, seafood), dessert, and miscellaneous (sauces, seasonings, canning).

Be sure to encourage your cabin guests and family, as well as spouses and significant others, to contribute. A little bit of background or history of the recipe is always welcome.

Please submit recipes by email\* to [IdlewildCooks@aol.com](mailto:IdlewildCooks@aol.com). You may also mail recipes to me at 3132 Rosedale, Dallas, TX 75205.

Thank you!

Casey Bratton, *Cookbook Chair*

*\*If possible, please send in a format that can be copied/pasted into a cookbook format (i.e., no pdf, jpg, Adobe).*



## **DIRECTORY CHANGES**

### **DID YOU MOVE, CHANGE YOUR PHONE, NAME OR EMAIL ADDRESS??**

*Send changes to:* Frank Ray, 8703 Granada Hills Dr, Austin, TX 78737-1446, or email [frankray@swbell.net](mailto:frankray@swbell.net)

Please give information as you wish it to appear in the directory. Remember that accurate Block and Lot ownership information is also important for the master Idlewild database and the Idlewild maps.

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Last Name

First Name

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Home Address

City

State

Zip

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Cabin Address (for example, #30, Rd. 6)

Eagle Nest P. O. Box No.

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Property Owned (for example, Block 20, Lots 6-12)

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Phone Numbers Home phone (add "c" if cell phone)

Cabin phone (add "c" if cell phone")

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E mail Address

Idlewild Community  
c/o Kathleen Michael  
6910 Calumet  
Amarillo, TX 79106

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