



Monthly Newsletter

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UPDATE FROM THE IB POA BOARD



Happy New Year to all! Please help us to officially welcome Connie Meine to the Executive Board for a full term. The EB has been reduced from seven (7) to five (5) Directors.

2023 was a year of many milestones and accomplishments, but the EB isn't finished yet. The next big topic for discussion and voting is the proposed Transfer Fee Amendment to the Declarations. In response to owner requests, the DRAFT Amendment language will be available for review on our website under the Executive Board tab in Top Issues. (This is a password-protected page so make sure you're signed up as an owner to access this part of our website. When attempting to access private information, you'll be prompted to submit your name, email address, and password to website administration for approval. Website admin verifies that you're an IB owner.)

You'll be able to review the Amendment language in preparation for a survey and several Zoom and in-person Town Hall education meetings to be scheduled. This is an important Amendment and requires a 67% Yes vote to pass. If you'd like to host a small neighborhood town hall in your home, let us know.

The EB is finalizing the new scope of work for mowing, landscaping, and weed mitigation for submission to interested companies. We should have a vendor and contract in place before the season starts. Once in place, the EB is considering the formation of a Beautification Committee for non-maintenance projects.

The EB is pleased to announce that the Club will take over the holiday decoration of the main IB entrance. The POA will continue to maintain the South entrance. The Club promises new and enhanced decorations for the 2024 Christmas season.

As we start the new year fresh, remember to thank the volunteer Committee members when you see them. They contribute work and wisdom to our community. Without them, we wouldn't be in the safe and inviting neighborhood we love.

The Executive Board hopes to continue to represent you in the best way possible. Together we'll experience a terrific 2024.

Monthly Executive Board meetings are held on the third Monday at 5:00 pm and may vary between Zoom and in-person meetings at The Kitchen. All members are welcome to attend.

UPDATES FROM THE IB POA BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES

COMMUNICATIONS and ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

We want to welcome our newest committee member Ellen Kaplan. She is going to help write the section of the monthly Newsletter where a local business from our community is featured. So, reach out to her if you would like to be included.

The Winner of the "Deck the House" Ironbridge Holiday Contest is 344 River Bank Lane (Jeff and Annie Niemann and their daughter Vail!). The voting was very close! How wonderful to have our community put up so many great lights and get involved with this contest. Many homes were beautifully decorated, but a few stood out to those who emailed in their votes.

Here are some other homes that were AMAZING and received votes:

- 43 Wild Rose Drive
- 195 River Bend Way
- 15 Wild Rose Court
- 1195 River Bend Way
- 1363 River Bend Way
- 787 River Bend Way





Thank you to everyone who contributed to the “Ironbridge Giving” holiday charity this year. It was wonderful to have our community come together to give to the Advocate Safe House Project and help those who are in real need. We were able to raise \$600.00.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THOSE WHO DONATED GIFT CARDS!

Don't miss our next “Meet and Greet” we do twice a year. It is planned for Friday, January 26th for a Happy Hour. It is a cash bar, but desserts are being provided. Come meet all your new neighbors and those we have not seen for a while.

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A KAELIN ALL-IN-ONE SKI HELMET IN A RAFFLE FOR ALL RESIDENTS AT THIS EVENT.

Our next committee meeting will be **Tuesday, January 2nd, at 5:00 at the Kitchen.**



Please join us for an Ironbridge POA

HAPPY Hour

"MEET & GREET"

At The Kitchen



JAN | 26 | 5-7 PM

Come Meet Your New Neighbors and See Ones
You Have Missed!

Cash Bar with Desserts Provided

Don't Miss the Raffle to Win a Kaelin

All-In-One Ski Helmet!

RULES & REGULATIONS

EXTERIOR LIGHT BULBS will no longer be changed overnight. As an owner, you will be notified by email that a bulb is out and a replacement will be left at your door during the day.

To ensure the safety and aesthetics of our community, **PLEASE STORE ITEMS** such as skis, snowboards, bikes, kayaks, and other sports gear in an organized manner within your garage. Also, please store garden tools, snow shovels, and other maintenance equipment within your garage when not in use. Avoid leaving these items in common areas, driveways, or on porches, as they may obstruct pathways and detract from the overall tidy appearance of our neighborhood.

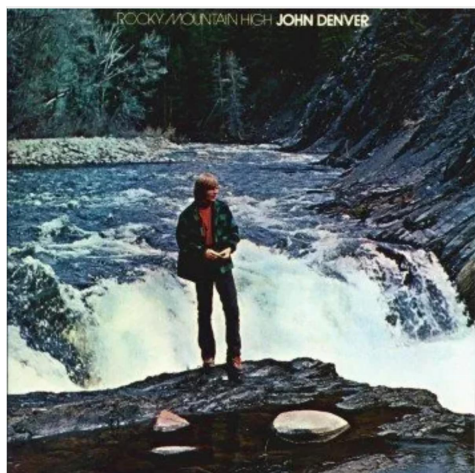
RIVER COMMITTEE

Roaring Fork River Fun Facts

The Roaring Fork River (RFR) is a derivative of the name “Thunder River,” which is what the Ute Tribe called it. It flows in a northwestern direction for 70 miles, with over a mile of that through our Ironbridge community. Its drainage starts at Independence Lake at 12,500’ in eastern Pitkin County before descending over 6,200’ to its confluence with the Colorado River in Glenwood Springs.

The RFR watershed includes the 42-mile-long Fryingpan River with its headwaters in the Sawatch Range and the 40-mile-long Crystal River with its headwaters in the Elk Mountains. The combined RFR watershed encompasses 1,451 square miles, which has two large trans mountain diversions that move water from the western slope to the front range.

The Boustead Tunnel near Hagerman Pass was built in the early 1960s and moves water from the Upper Fryingpan River and Hunter Creek drainages to Turquoise Lake near Leadville. The Twin Lake Tunnel was built in the 1930s and diverts water from the Roaring Fork River headwaters near Independence Pass to Twin Lakes. During spring and summer, as much as 40% of the RFR is diverted to the front range from these two water diversions.



One final fun fact about the Roaring Fork River: The front cover of John Denver’s album “Rocky Mountain High” has a picture of him standing next to Slaughterhouse Falls, a very technical section of RFR that is 4.5-mile long, which is considered the most challenging portion of the Roaring Fork River for kayakers and rafters to navigate.

For a look at the RFR watershed map and its stream gages, go to <https://www.google.com/maps/...>

Also, for more information about the river that flows through our Ironbridge community, check out the Roaring Fork Conservancy website at <https://roaringfork.org/>

MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS



From left to right: Antonio “Bud” Gonzalez-Pita, Sue Martin, Haylen and Rob Gonzalez-Pita

Suzanne Martin recently made the move from Atlanta to Ironbridge to be closer to her two sons, who both found their home in Colorado. She graduated from Boston University with a BS in psychology. It was there that she met her future husband. The couple moved to Miami where she completed an MS in Community Psychology at Florida International University and began her journey into motherhood. Despite the challenges of frequent relocations, Suzanne pursued her academic dreams by starting a PhD program in developmental psychology at FIU. Her passion for yoga also led her to become a certified yoga teacher.

Both of her sons pursued degrees in environmental studies at CU Boulder. Rob and his wife live in Aspen where he works remotely for NOAA, CU, and the National Weather Service, as well as volunteering for Aspen Mountain Rescue. Antonio lives in Denver and is currently pursuing a Master's program at Regis University. He dreams of a career in forestry while enjoying his hobbies of fishing and skiing.

As an active participant in community life, Suzanne has joined the Third Thursday Book Club, the Glenwood Springs Art Guild, and the Wednesday Wanderers for hiking. Yoga remains a constant in her life, with classes at True Nature Healing Arts, and she's eagerly diving into new experiences with classes in film studies and painting at CMC.

Looking ahead, she expresses a desire to continue traveling and hopes to connect with fellow adventurers. Having explored 49 US states and most of Europe, her bucket list includes dreams of an African safari, witnessing the Northern Lights, and exploring the wonders of Asia – from Nepal and Bhutan to Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, and China.

Welcome to Ironbridge Suzanne!

FEATURED LOCAL BUSINESS

Dr. Elizabeth Kulwicz

120 Midland Ave., #260
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
www.Compasspeakimaging.com
970-930-3818



Our fellow Ironbridge neighbor, Dr. Elizabeth Kulwicz, heads up Compass Peak Imaging right here in Glenwood Springs. Compass Peak Imaging (CPI) is an independent medical imaging facility that performs MRI, CT, ultrasound, and X-ray exams. Her talented, caring, and hardworking staff strives to provide patients with a top-quality, low-stress imaging

experience.

CPI was established in March 2023 after realizing a pressing need for affordable medical imaging in the Roaring Fork Valley. Rates for MRI and CT were originally set at about 50-75% lower than other local pricing and have never increased! CPI is dedicated to transparent global pricing that includes the exam cost and the professional interpretation fee. Patients do not receive a separate bill from the radiologist!

Liz, the interpreting physician at CPI, is a board-certified diagnostic radiologist who worked in a local hospital-based practice for 25 years before collaborating on Compass Peak Imaging. She was honored as one of Castle Connolly's 2023 Top Doctors of the Roaring Fork Valley. CPI also is very community-oriented by supporting several local organizations such as Lakota Links Veterans Golf Tournament benefiting the Western Slope Veterans Coalition, Garfield County Fair Strongman Competition benefiting Brent's Place at Children's Hospital Colorado, Shop with a Cop, Boots and Bowties Gala benefiting St. Stephen Catholic School, Glenwood Hockey, Vail Christian High School athletics, and The Longevity Project.

Help support our neighbors and our community! Be sure to give Compass Peak Imaging a call. Conveniently located on Midland Ave., with on-site parking!



The IPOA Engagement and Communications Committee would like to feature your business! Please email communications@ironbridgepoa.com if you would like to be considered. Limited to businesses located in the Roaring Fork Valley and owned by current Ironbridge residents. Thank you!



SLEDDING COMING SOON



Hopefully, we get snow soon. Stay tuned for more information on where and when this will be set up in Ironbridge. The Club is thinking they will stake off an area on the hillside of the driving range for sledding to be done. This way kids stay off the course and there is no damage done to the fairways.

ROARING FORK VALLEY EVENTS



January 5th: First Friday, Family Ice Skating Party; 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Ice skating under the lights at Chacos Park, 4th and Main Street. For more information go to www.carbondale.com/events.

January 11th: Patio Night Live! Comedy @ Steves! The show starts at 8:00 PM, Doors open at 7:30 PM. For more information go to stevesguitars.net.

January 25th - 28th: Nurture Through Nature; Hot Springs Yoga Retreat; Avalanche Ranch Hot Springs, 12863 Highway 133, Carbondale. This magical setting provides the perfect backdrop for quiet reflection. In this retreat, you'll be supported to strengthen your connection to Mother Earth while embracing the cycle of letting go, rest, and rejuvenation. Tickets \$150. For more information and tickets go to www.eventbrite.com. Sponsored by Holistic Yoga School.

January: Wrapped Exhibit. An artistic study of fabric - features works by Issy Miyake and Christo & Jeanne Claude. Powers Art Center, 13110 Highway 82, Carbondale. 970-963-4445. Tuesday - Friday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM. And last Saturday of the month 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Free

January: "Storytime" at the Carbondale Branch Library, each Thursday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM. Children (0 - 5 years old) and their accompanying adults are invited to the library every week for stories, songs, and new friends. 320 Sopris Avenue. For more information call 970-963-2889.

January: Music at Steve's Guitars; 8:00 PM. For more information, full January Artist Lineup, and reservations go to stevesguitars.net.



January 3rd & 4th: Clay Winter Wheeling; 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Create functional pieces using clay and the wheel together. No experience is necessary. Plan to get muddy and have a fun time! Bring a snack, lunch, and a water bottle. Ages 6 - 10. Cost \$15.00. Glenwood Springs Community Arts Center, 601 E. 6th St. For more information or tickets call Annie Henninger, at 970-319-5644.

January 7th: Rat Bike Face; Sunlight Mountain Resort. 10:00 AM. The

Sunlight Mountain Resort is bringing back fat bike racing to Glenwood Springs for the 2023/2024 season. For more information go to sunlightmtn.com/events

January 11th: Moonlight Race Series – 2nd race; Sunlight Mountain Resort. 18:00. The uphill race is co-sponsored with Sunlight Mountain Resort and Cripple Creek Backcountry. | Cost \$20.00. For more information or to sign up go to <https://sunlightmtn.com...>

January 11th: Brushes at the Bluebird; 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Bluebird Cafe, 730 Grand Ave. Hosted at the Bluebird with Brett Lee Art, all supplies are included! Full coffee bar, tea, light snacks, beer, and wine are available to purchase. Reservations required. Cost \$40. Call [970-384-2024](tel:970-384-2024) to reserve your spot as space is limited.

January 12th: Ski Appreciation Day; Sunlight Mountain Resort. \$25 lift tickets for the day and the proceeds will go to the local United Way. For more information go to sunlightmtn.com/events

January 12th, 19th & 26th: Baby and Me, Music and Creative Movement; 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM. For babies, 0 - 3 years, and parent/caregiver. Cost \$15.00. Glenwood Springs Community Arts Center, 601 E. 6th St. For more information or tickets call Annie Henninger, at [970-319-5644](tel:970-319-5644).

January 21st: Teacher Appreciation Day; Sunlight Mountain Resort. It's unlike thank you to our teachers. RE1 and RE2 teachers ski/ride free. Students \$25. Bring your student/teacher ID. For more information go to sunlightmtn.com/events

January 26th: Paint n Sip Nights; Enjoy a social evening at the Community Art Center creating a painting on canvas to take home. Each paint night includes quality paint supplies, instruction, and a glass of wine or non-alcoholic beverage. 21+ only. Cost \$37.50. Glenwood Springs Community Arts Center, 601 E. 6th St. For more information or tickets call Annie Henninger, at [970-319-5644](tel:970-319-5644).

January: Winter on The Mountain, Glenwood Cavern's Adventure Park; Our own "Wild Flight" on January 1st, "Jason Abbott" on January 2nd, and "Pam & Dan" on January 5th. From 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Tickets required. For more information, ticket prices, food, and drink items go to glenwoodcaverns.com.

January: Frontier Historical Museum, 1001 Colorado Ave. 1 pm - 4 pm, Monday - Saturday. Take the children and check out our local history museum.

January: "Get the Wiggles Out!" At the Glenwood Springs Branch Library; each Thursday, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM. Toddlers and preschoolers bring your grownups to the library. We'll burn some energy with active play and work on large motor skills. 815 Cooper Avenue. For more information call [970-945-5959](tel:970-945-5959).



January 6th: Urbane Coyote, our own Zach Averill, is performing at Heather's Savory Pies; from 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM. Enjoy dinner and live music. Heather's has live music from Wednesday through Saturday evenings. For more information and Heather's Savory Pies full Live Music Schedule go to heatherssavorypies.com.

January: TACAW Willits, 400 Robinson St. The Arts Campus at Willits presents exceptional performing arts, cultural events, and thought-provoking programming that sustain a connected engaged, and inspired community. For more information on all of their "January" shows and ticket prices go to tacaw.org.



January 3rd, 17th, & 31st: ACES: Potbelly Perspectives; Speaker series features Aspen locals and visitors who share their exciting accounts of world travel and adventure through images and stories. Adults, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Hallam Lake, 100 Puppy Smith Street. Free. Jan 3rd - From the Okavango to Mount Mabu: Incredible true tales of African adventure. Jan 17th - Surviving Shivling: A bold ascent and nearly fatal descent in the Himalayas. Jan 31st - Preserving the Dark of Night; chasing the Midnight Rainbow. For more information and to register for the events go to aspenchamber.org.

January 11th - 14th: Wintersköl, Aspen's annual "Toast to Winter"; The four-day festival showcases mountain activities, snow sculptures, a soup contest, a craft beer festival, and a torch light descent and fireworks on Aspen Mountain plus much more. The theme for this year's celebration is "Uniting Ski Bums and Bunnies". For more information and a schedule of the events go to aspenchamber.org.

January 26th - 28th: The X Games Aspen 2024; Buttermilk Mountain. The world's best skiers and snowboarders will compete. Free to attend and will be covered on ESPN, ABC, and live Stream on XGames.com. For more information and a schedule of the events go to aspenchamber.org.

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