

# Annual Irvin Alumni Ruidoso Rendezvous.....

## An Established & Growing Tradition!

### 18-21 October 2021



**Irvin 1<sup>st</sup> Mini Reunion –  
Oct 2013**



**Irvin Rendezvous – Oct 2019**



**Will YOU be at the NEXT one?**



**WE HOPE SO!!!**

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**HISTORY:** In October of 2013, about 15 Irvin alumni & friends met informally at Inn of the Mountain Gods in Ruidoso, NM. Just an informal gathering to relax and enjoy each others' company. It was SO enjoyable, we all decided to make this an October habit, and each year we have grown in numbers to the 60+ classmates from graduating classes 1961-1971! Each year some of our most enthusiastic "newbies" are those who recently celebrated their 50th high school reunion. But many folks don't wait for 50 years to get with old friends; and it's fun to see younger & older Irvin siblings in the group, as well as spouses from various Irvin graduating classes and beyond. No restrictive schedule or pre-planned events (other than the 5:00PM Rendezvous Happy Hour each evening), and **no necessary event registration** (but your own lodging reservation is on-your-own).

**FORECAST:** As you know, the 2020 Irvin Rendezvous had to be cancelled resulting in a lot of disappointed Irvin Alumni. With undaunted optimism being the trademark of Irvinites, we are now planning on the 2021 Irvin Rendezvous occurring 18-21 October 2021. Of course we will have a lot of fun and enjoyment to make up for given what we missed this year. We are extending a special invite to the Classes of '65 and '70 who had to cancel their 55<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunions to join us as our guests. Also, 2021 is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the Class of '61 and they will be our special guests since there is no formal Reunion planned by them. All Irvin Alumni are welcome to attend this fun time regardless of when you graduated. A very enjoyable experience is guaranteed and it is an excellent chance to visit with old classmates and make new friends. A Stump the Irvin Alumni Photo Contest will be conducted and should be a lot of fun.

If you think you might be interested in attending, please contact Pam Cotten or Bryson McCool and we will put you on the distribution list to receive new information and updates.

**HEADQUARTERS LOCATION:** Inn of the Mountain Gods [1-800-545-9011](tel:1-800-545-9011) but some people arrange other nearby lodging. You will need to reserve your lodging on your own.

## **TYPICAL POPULAR ACTIVITY CHOICES:**

- \* All-attendees invited to evening rendezvous at 5PM at Wendell's Lounge in the Inn of the Mountain Gods **each day** (informal)
- \* Throughout the day, unplanned rendezvous opportunities for small spontaneous groups or pairs (or individuals soaking in the peaceful mountain solitude & serenity)..... your choice ... hotel golf course, paddle boats, hiking trail, exercise gym, indoor pool & hot tub
- \* Day-trips to Tourist Attractions around Ruidoso and nearby countryside, as friends' shared interests get them together
- \* Evening attractions in Ruidoso invite dancing at "Win/Place/Show" Nightclub in town, or Inn of Mountain Gods restaurants & coffee shops or casino fun ..... Or fun social gatherings in hotel hospitality rooms of various classmates later in the evening.

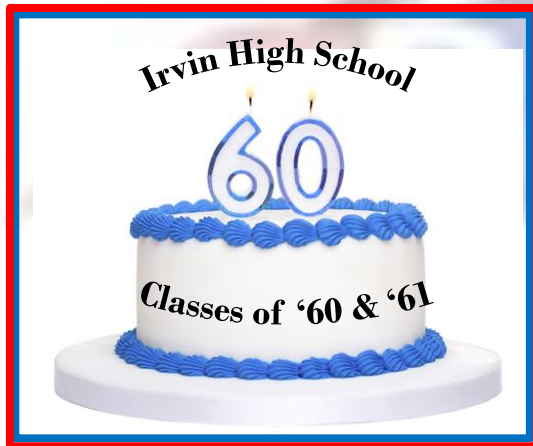
Steeped in a growing autumn mountain tradition is our/your 2021 annual "Ruidoso Rendezvous!" Always the 3rd week of October. Just a couple of hours or so from the El Paso International Airport but eons from the usual day-to-day "hamster wheels" back home. If you can stay all three evenings (Monday-Wednesday), that's the best! Let us hear from you! You can always change your mind later. ☺

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# Special Welcome

**A special welcome to the Alumni of the Irvin Classes of '60, '61, '65, '66, '70 and '71 whose major anniversaries would have occurred in 2020 and this year but did not because of the pandemic. We hope you will plan on joining us at the annual 2021 Irvin Rendezvous so we can help you all celebrate these very important anniversaries.**



# Stump the Irvin Alumni Photo Contest



To enhance the Rendezvous experience, a Stump the Irvin Alumni Photo Contest will be held with the winner being announced during Happy Hour the last night.

Attendees are requested to provide a picture of themselves that was taken when they were in junior or senior high school. Please send your picture to Bryson McCool either by mail (picture will be returned) or email.

During the Rendezvous, attendees can purchase a form to enter the contest for \$5 and there is no limit to how many times you enter. The winner then will win the pot. Should be fun!!

Bryson McCool [brymccool@gmail.com](mailto:brymccool@gmail.com)

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Las Cruces, NM 88007

# Wendell's

LOUNGE

## HAPPY HOUR

Monday-Thursday | 5-7pm

### Margarita Mondays

1/2 Price Margaritas

### Bourbon Tuesdays

1/2 Price Select Bourbons

### Well Wednesdays

\$5 Well Drinks

### Thurstini Thursdays

1/2 Price Martinis

### 1/2 Price Appetizers

Chef's Selection

Excludes holidays  
and special events.



## MENU

### Dungeness Crab Cakes • \$20

Dijon Vinaigrette, Cucumber Apple Slaw

### Beef Tenderloin Tips • \$17

Foraged Mushrooms, Port Reduction,  
Gruyere Cheese

### Charcuterie Board • \$18

Chef's Selection of Meats, Cheeses and  
Seasonal Accompaniments

### Crab & Prawn Martini • \$19

4 Jumbo Tiger Prawns Served with Fresh  
Alaskan Crab Meat, Lime, Toasted  
Pinions and Tequila Cocktail Sauce

### Steakhouse Burger • \$13

8 oz Ground Tenderloin, Striploin, and  
Ribeye, Sesame Brioche, Pickled Onion,  
Peppercorn Mayo, Cheddar or Swiss,  
Fries or Chips

### Wendell's Signature Tortilla Soup • \$7

Tender Chopped Chicken with Smoked  
Chili's, Avocado, lime, Queso Fresco and  
Crisp Tortilla Strips

### Iceberg Wheel • \$12

Crisp Lettuce, Applewood Smoked  
Bacon, Shaved Red Onion, Grape  
Tomato, Sourdough Croutons,  
Imported Gorgonzola

### Kobe Flat Iron Steak • \$36

12 oz Premium Center Cut Beef A  
choice of Fries or Chips

### The Prime • \$13

Shaved Prime Rib Piled High on a  
Toasted Bun Topped with  
Southwest Cheese and a Creamy  
Horseradish Sauce A choice of  
Fries or Chips

### Sesame Fried Prawns • \$14

Black Sesame Tempura Fried  
Prawns, Asian Slaw, Lemon Dill  
Aioli

# Wendell's

## DINNER

### STARTERS

DUNGENESS CRAB CAKES, DIJON VINAIGRETTE,  
CUCUMBER APPLE SLAW 20

PRAWN AND CRAB MARTINI 19

### SOUPS + SALADS

#### MESCALERO TORTILLA SOUP

Tender Chicken, Mirepoix, Chipotle and New Mexico Red Chile, Shredded Cheeses and Diced Avocado 7

#### CAESAR

Crisp Baby Romaine, Grape Tomatoes and Kalamata Olives, Sourdough Croutons, Shaved Reggiano, Scratch Dressing 12

#### CHOPPED

Mixed Field Greens, Grape Tomato, English Cucumber, Niçoise Olives, Sharp Cheddar, Applewood Smoked Bacon, Sourdough Croutons 11

### SIDES TO COMPLEMENT

Additional Sides 7 Each

Salt Crusted Baked Potato

White Cheddar and Chive Whipped Potatoes

White and Green Asparagus with Hollandaise Mouseline

Sweet Potato with Sautéed Rainbow Chard and Bacon Lardons

Marinated Heirloom Tomatoes, Gorgonzola, Olive Oil, Balsamic Reduction

Orecchiette Mac' and Cheese Au Gratin

### SIGNATURE SELECTIONS

#### CRAB LEGS

Clarified Butter, Cured Lemon, White and Green Asparagus with Hollandaise Mouseline ½ or full LB 37/66

#### SAUTÉED JUMBO PRAWNS

Pasta Orrechiette, Tomato Confit, Swiss Chard 32

#### SEARED SCALLOPS AND BUTTER POACHED LOBSTER

Beurre Blanc, Petite Parsley, White and Green Asparagus with Hollandaise Mouseline 42

#### FRUITWOOD SMOKED SALMON

Lemon Dill Compound Butter, Charred Campari Tomato, Sweet Potato with Sautéed Rainbow Chard and Bacon Lardons 36

#### DIJON AND THYME PRIME RIB OF ROAST BEEF

Horseradish Crème Fraiche, Herbed Jus & Choice of side (three sizes 8 oz, 12 oz, 16 oz) 30, 38, 43

#### ROASTED ELK TENDERLOIN

Caramelized Leeks, Sherry Reduction, Mash 44

### STEAKS

Our premium center cuts of beef are hand selected, aged for a minimum of 28 days and are served with your choice of one side.

FILET MIGNON 6 OZ OR 8 OZ 36, 44

TWIN FILETS AND TWIN DUNGENESS CRAB CAKES,  
SAUCE BÉARNAISE 50

NY STRIP 14 OZ 46

RIBEYE 16 OZ 49

### ENHANCE ANY ONE OF THESE DELICIOUS OFFERINGS TO INCLUDE:

Lobster Tail 32- or - King Crab Legs 1/2 lb. 32

"Oscar Style" with Crab Meat, Asparagus and Béarnaise

Sauce 6

Melted Maytag Bleu Cheese 4

Inn of the Mountain Gods and  
Chef de Cuisine Jesse Betancur and  
Sous Chef Michael Aguilar

Invite you to enjoy these  
Signature Culinary Selections

Wendell's  
STEAK & SEAFOOD

**Wendell's Steak and Seafood Restaurant is the Inn of the Mountain Gods signature dining establishment located on the 4th floor. The restaurant and lounge feature spectacular views of Sierra Blanca, the Sacramento Mountains, Lake Mescalero and our 18-hole Championship Golf Course. Wendell's Lounge is adjacent to the restaurant where we offer delicious appetizers along with our signature martinis, margaritas and cocktails.**

# Gathering of Nations **BUFFET**



The sumptuous buffet of international favorites features freshly prepared choices from around the globe, including delicious Asian, Mexican, Italian and classic American cuisine.

## **BREAKFAST HOURS & PRICING**

7 AM – 11AM

\$8.99

## **LUNCH HOURS & PRICING**

11:30AM – 3:30PM

\$9.99

## **DINNER HOURS & PRICING**

4:30PM – 9PM

\$11.99



Raise a pint for New Mexico's premier new tap house with 60 beers on tap, a full coffee bar and savory pub dishes for breakfast, lunch, dinner and late night dining.

Designed to have the feeling of a contemporary American gastro pub, the 4,752-square foot space is located in the hotel between the buffet and front desk and includes a bar, dining room, show kitchen, shuffleboard and coffee bar.

Reclaimed wood and iron set the mood for an authentic pub feel, while the menu adds a twist to traditional items.

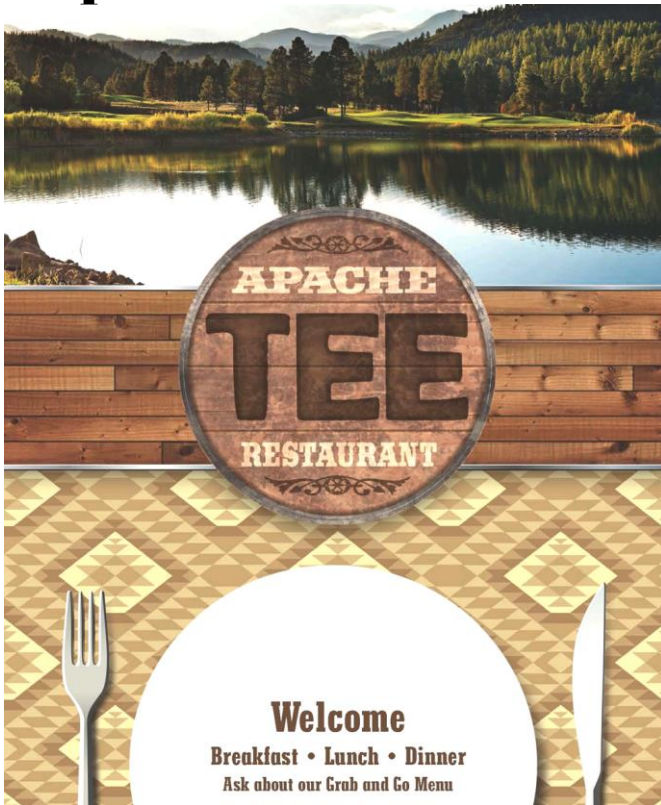
## **BROKEN ARROW HOURS**

**Breakfast 7am to 11am**

**Lunch/Dinner 11am to 11pm**

**Late Night Menu 11pm to 7am**

## Apache Tee Restaurant



The Apache Tee Restaurant starts your day right with a variety of sumptuous breakfast burritos or a simple continental breakfast. And, as the day moves on through lunch and dinner, we offer all of your favorite barbecue-style sandwiches, plus fantastic side dishes – all in large portions with a variety of delicious special sauces. Apache Tee is located next to the golf pro shop, with sweeping views of the beautiful Ted Robinson-designed golf course.

## Big Game Sports Bar



Set your sights on the Big Game Sports Bar, where you'll find lots of ice-cold brews to choose from and a complete selection of drinks from our full bar. Try one of our great burgers or sandwiches as you watch a game or take a short break from winning and satisfy your hunger. We're conveniently located right inside the Inn of the Mountain Gods Casino and open for both lunch and dinner (11AM – 2AM).



# Inn of the Mountain Gods Activities



## APACHE EAGLE ZIPRIDER

Take in the breathtaking views of Inn of the Mountain Gods as you glide over the crystal waters of Lake Mescalero. Offering parallel cables so riders can enjoy the view side-by-side. Note there is another zipline ride at Ski-Apache on Sierra Blanca.



## CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF

Experience New Mexico golf at its finest on one of the most spectacular golf courses in the country. Nestled among tall pine trees under the majestic Sierra Blanca Peak is the impressive Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort Championship Golf Course. Designed by Ted Robinson, this New Mexico Golf course features an island fairway as well as fast-breaking greens that are not only beautiful to see, but also quite challenging to play. Come see why our Championship Golf Course recently garnered a top spot in Golf Digest's "Top 40 Casino Golf Courses," ranking number 23!

**Green Fee for Guests → \$40**

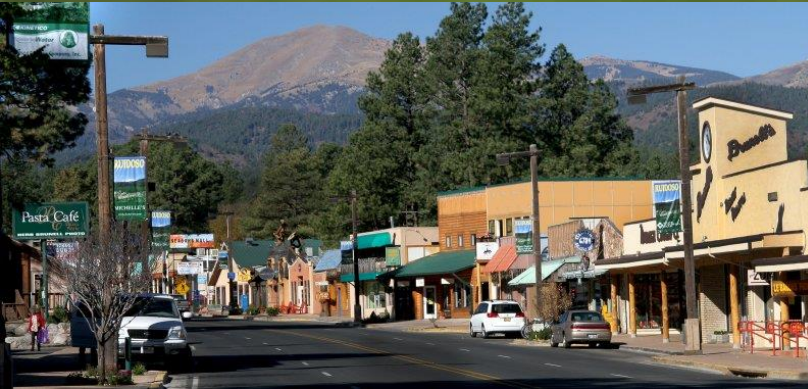
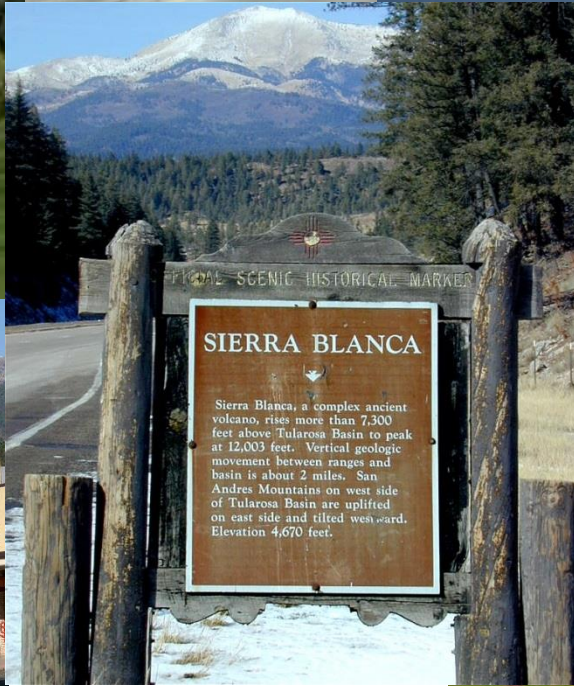
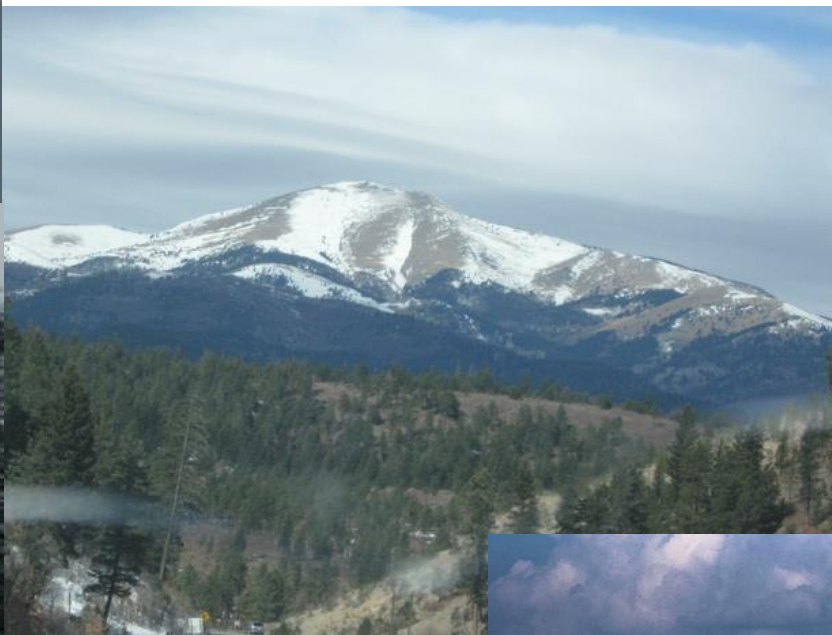
# Inn of the Mountain Gods Lake Activities



<b>Boat Type</b>	<b>30 Minutes</b>	<b>1 Hour</b>
Row Boat	\$25 +tax	\$35 +tax
Row Boat w/motor	\$30 +tax	\$40 +tax
4 Seat Pedal Boat	\$30 +tax	\$40 +tax
2 Seat Pedal Boat	\$25 +tax	\$35 +tax
Kayak	\$20 +tax	\$30 +tax
Double Kayak	\$25 +tax	\$35 +tax
Stand Up Paddle Board	\$25 +tax	\$35 +tax

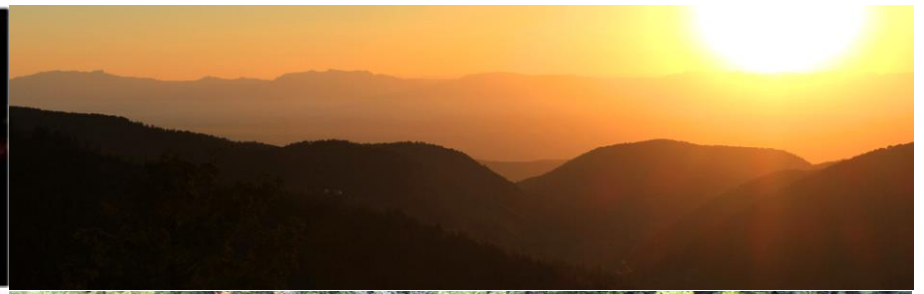
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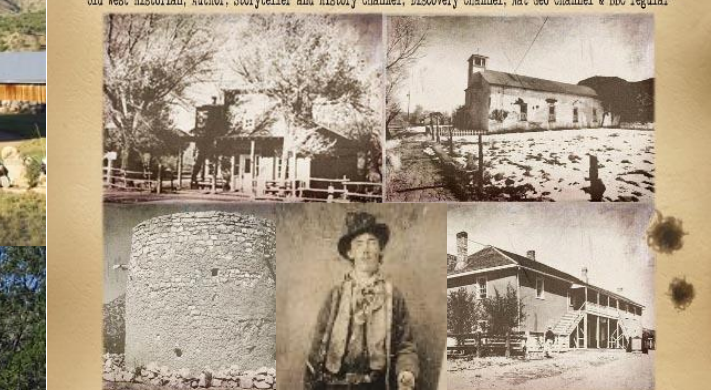
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# Lincoln State Monument



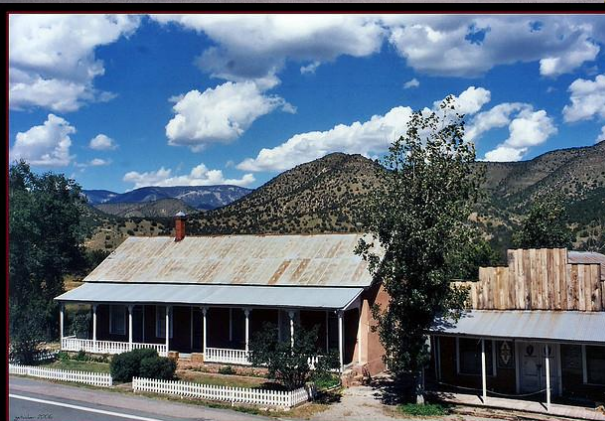
YOU ARE  
**WANTED**  
FOR A GUIDED TOUR OF OLD LINCOLN  
*with Drew Gamber*  
Old West Historian, Author, Storyteller and History Channel, Discovery Channel, Nat Geo Channel & BBC regular



Tour the real old west with noted historian Drew Gamber. Walk down the street known as the old west's deadliest mile. See how folks lived back then and learn what really happened during the time that Billy the Kid, Pat Garrett and the rest of the Lincoln County War participants lived there as drew unravels fact from fiction in his unique story telling style. This is an experience of a lifetime and available only to guests of Whispering Pine Cabins and Noisy Water Lodge in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

It is recommended that reservations be made a minimum of two weeks in advance for this incredible experience. Check with lodge staff for schedule information. Limit parties to 45 people maximum. You will provide your own transportation and be prepared to pay the \$5 museum entrance fee once you are in Old Lincoln.

Hour-long tour \$150 per group (Old Lincoln) • Two hour tour \$300 per group (Old Lincoln in detail)  
All day tour \$600 per group (Old Lincoln, (Tunstall Kill Sight, Blazers Mill, White Oaks)  
Must be prepared for some off road driving on this tour. Truck or SUV recommended.  
A \$5 per person administration fee and taxes will be added at time of booking.



# VILLAGE OF CAPITAN





# FORT STANTON

Named for Captain Henry W. Stanton, Fort Stanton was established May 4, 1855 as a military fort to protect settlers from Apache attacks. Operated as a military fortification until 1896, it played a part in the Civil War, was the first Tuberculosis Hospital in New Mexico, was an internment camp for German seamen during World War II, and is known for heroes such as Kit Carson, Black Jack Pershing, Buffalo Soldiers of the 8th and 9th Cavalry, and the notorious Billy the Kid. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Fort Stanton oversees thousands of acres surrounding the fort.

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GEORGIA C. HOLDER, NATIONAL PRESIDENT  
LANITA DUKE, NEW MEXICO STATE REGENT



## Welcome to Roads and Trails of Fort Stanton!

Welcome to the ELM Fort Stanton Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). Fort Stanton was established in 1855 as a cavalry fort. Today, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) manages the area for biological, archaeological, scientific and quality recreation opportunities.

### TRAILS

The area has 60 miles of horse/hike/mountain bike trails. It is likely that cavalry patrols followed parts of the same trails in the 1850s through the turn of the century. Use caution in steep, loose, rocky areas. Most of the trails are not mechanically constructed or designed to any standard. The majority of the trails start at the Horse Trails Parking Lot on Highway 220. Hitching rails, stock water, and a toilet are located in the parking lot. Water and electric hookups are available for special events. The trail system design allows equestrians, hikers and mountain bikers to enjoy the backcountry of Fort Stanton.



Please stay on designated roads within the Fort Stanton ACEC. Roads are marked with signs stating if the road is open or closed. Trails are marked with flexible fiberglass markers with the trail name or arrow. Cross-country horse and foot travel is encouraged. Mountain bikers are asked to stay on established trails to protect the rider and bike.

### RIO BONITO PETROGLYPH NATIONAL RECREATION TRAIL

Hike the 2-mile Petroglyph Trail along the Rio Bonito and glimpse the past. The Petroglyph Rock, a huge 12-foot high boulder is located at the midpoint in the trail in the river bed. Other petroglyphs can be found on the rock faces and boulders within the area. The Jornada Mogollon pecked these rock symbols about 400 years ago. Petroglyphs and other durable items are the only remains to link to the culture and lifestyle of these ancient

people. The trail length is easy to moderate hiking, with a few hills, and areas with loose footing. Plan to spend at least one hour on the trail. The trail can be reached



from New Mexico State Highway 220 west of the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. Follow the signs stating "Upper Rio Bonito" to the bottom of the hill and turn left for approximately one mile until you reach the trail head.

### FORT STANTON CAVE

Fort Stanton Cave is a "wild" cave and the third longest cave in New Mexico with 13 plus miles of passage. In 2001 the Snowy River portion of the cave was discovered and contains the longest cave formation in the world. The cave is open for recreational exploring by permit from April 15 to November 1, and is closed during the winter months to protect hibernating bats. The cave is locked to protect other unique resources and to prevent



unexpecting visitors from serious injury. You may visit the cave by contacting the ELM Roswell Field Office.

### HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Fort Stanton is a rich historical and pre-historic area. Please do not remove historic or pre-historic items from the area. Pre-historic artifacts from early tribes and historic items enable us to learn about the past and en-

able us to understand what it may have been like 100 to 400 years ago. Please take pictures and leave only foot prints so others can enjoy the miracle of discovery.

### CAMPING

Fort Stanton is open to overnight camping with a 14-day length of stay. There are no formal campgrounds within the area. Equestrian groups and individuals camp in the horse trails parking lot. There are facilities for equine stock, a toilet and equestrian water. When camping in the back country please picket your equine stock to lessen the damage to the area.

### HUNTING AND TRAPPING

Hunting and trapping is allowed within the 24,000-acre Fort Stanton ACEC. Please control your pets so they are not involved or entangled with authorized trapping within the area. Only youth are allowed to hunt deer within the Fort Stanton Area. The hunting and trapping



is under the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Department rules and regulations for all game species.

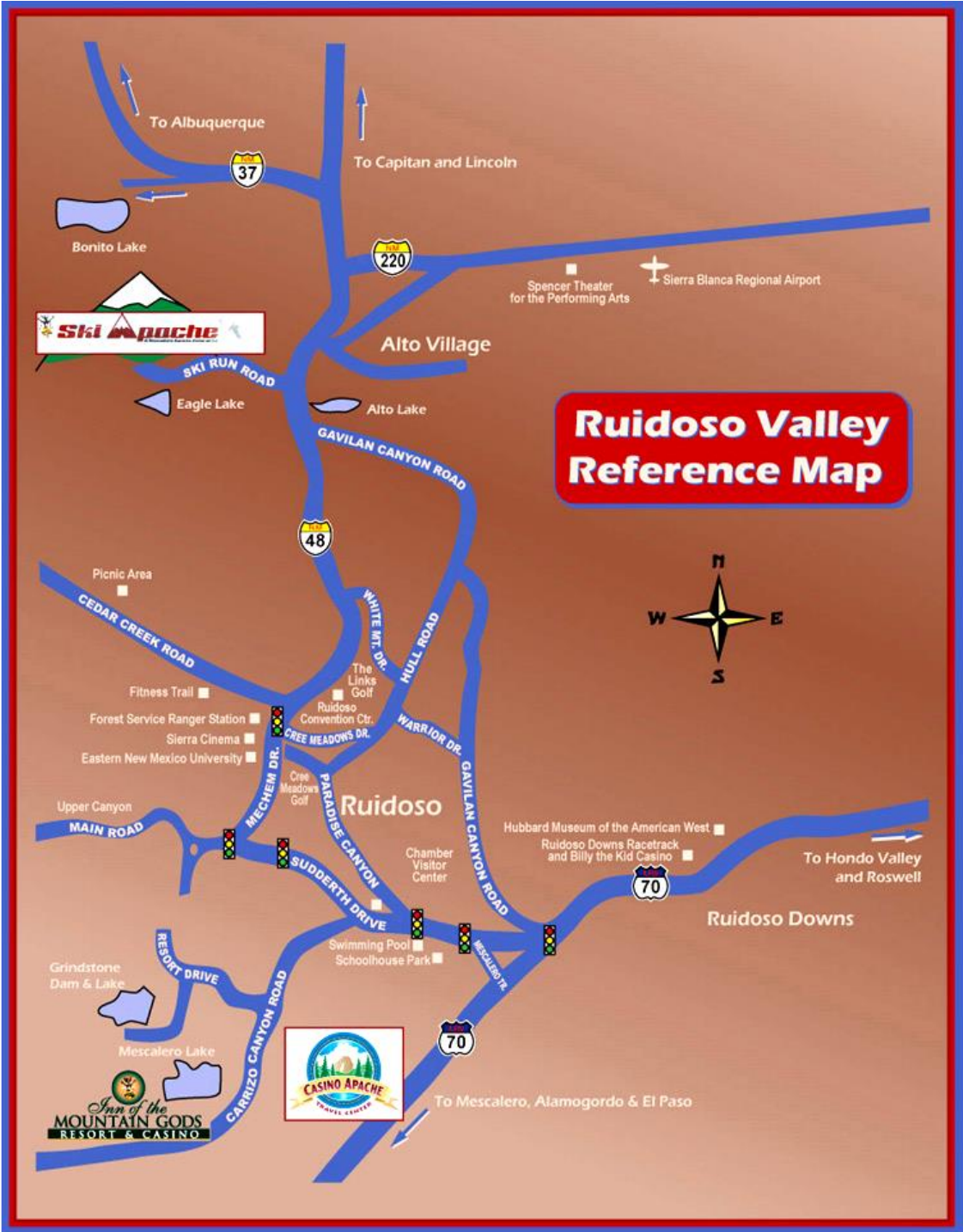
### HISTORIC FORT STANTON

The 24,000-acre area is within the original historic Fort Stanton Military Reservation. The military reserve was carved out of the Mesquero Apache homelands in the 1850s. During these tumultuous times, the 9th and 10th Cavalry and the 24th and 25th Infantry Buffalo Soldiers were sent to the New Mexico Territory to protect the settlers in the area.

Historic Fort Stanton is one of the few intact frontier forts in the west. Many of the original fort buildings still stand. From 1855 through 1896, the Fort played host to some of the most colorful military units and personalities of the west, including the 9th Cavalry and 10th Cavalry and the 24th and 25th Infantry Buffalo Soldiers, Billy the







# Memories - Irvin Mini-Reunion Ruidoso 2013





# Memories - Irvin Mini-Reunion

# Ruidoso, NM 2016



# Memories - Irvin Rendezvous

# Ruidoso, NM

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