

NIWOT GAZETTE

Newsletter of the Niwot Historical Society

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Be a part of Niwot's future by helping to preserve our past.

2022 has arrived! Happy New Year!

Your Niwot Historical Society Board is cautiously starting to plan lectures for when we might be gathering again in a safe manor or produce more video lectures. We mailed the 2021 Annual Report in December, we are archiving Niwot related materials, leasing historic photos, opening the Museum when possible, working on the website, and creating a documentary of the Haystack Mountain Golf Course's 55 years.

Our annual election of the Officers and Board of Directors is this month and we will conduct it electronically again this year due to pandemic health gathering guidelines. The slate of candidates at this time are the volunteers who served last year.

Nominations are open for new or additional members: info@niwothistoricalsociety.org

Voting: let us know if you have any objections to the slate: info@niwothistoricalsociety.org

Current Annual Election Slate

President: Kathy Koehler ~ Secretary: Mary Claire Collins ~ Treasurer: Terry Larsen

Directors: Donlyn Arbuthnot, Rob Gordon, Joan Grunzweig, Vivian Knaus, Amy Scanes-Wolfe, Leonard Sitongia, Kirk Stewart, Diane Zimmermann



The little Fire House Museum was decorated with displays for the holidays. We greeted guests for the Holiday Parade and for the Holiday Fayre Saturday in December. Candy canes were handed out and we sold some craft items to raise funds for NHS.

The Niwot Community Association's organized volunteer road crew stopped by to say "Hi"

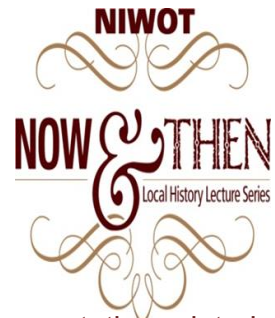
before the start of the holiday parade.



NOTE: Detailed information about the lectures will always be posted on niwothistoricalsociety.org

The Niwot Historical Society Board of Directors, contact information, membership, donation, Niwot historic information and links to other regional historic organizations are on our website.

NOW&THEN Lecture Series



- As President at that time, Laura Skaggs introduced the Now&THEN Lecture Series in 2011
- We have sponsored 4-5 lectures each year. Every other year there has been a workshop related to ancestry or your family tree.
- We have had some famous and outstanding presenters, but never created a presentation related to Niwot history ourselves ... until now!
- When we learned that no one was documenting the history of Niwot's historic Haystack Mountain Golf Course we decided that someone should help preserve its 55 year history in Niwot so we are.
- Here are some historic dates related to Haystack Mountain and this general Niwot area:

1800s – Arapaho and Cheyenne arrive after being pushed south from the Great Lakes by the Sioux

1803 – area became property of the U.S. Government after the purchase of the Louisiana Territory

1820 – Stephen H. Long arrived to map the territory and reported it was the Great American Desert

1833 – Fur traders arrive in the area

1851 – Treaty of Fort Laramie designates this as Arapaho, Cheyenne, Ute, Pawnee area

1859 - Pikes Peak Gold Rush (CA was 49ers, CO was the 59ers)

1860 - Miners came for gold and other minerals in the Foothills, Boulder City and Valmont are founded

1861 – Treaty of Fort Wise moves Native Americans to territory in southeast Colorado

1864 – Sand Creek Massacre

1871 - The Chicago Colony (Longmont) and Burlington were founded

1873 - Colorado Central Railroad laid tracks from Boulder City to Longmont to join the Continental Railroad in Cheyenne

1875 - March 29, 1875 Niwot was platted by Porter T. Hinman and Ambrose S. Murray

1876 – August 1, 1876 Colorado became a state, no longer a Territory of Kansas or Nebraska

Members, Volunteers and Friends are our most valuable resource.

Niwot Historical Society Board of Directors

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~ Committee Chairs ~

Accessioning & Archives: **Vivian Knaus**

Museum Open House: **Mary Claire Collins**

Membership: **Diane Zimmermann**

Newsletter & Programs: **Kathy Koehler**

Photo Leases: **Joan Grunzweig**

At Large: **Donlyn Arbuthnot, Rob Gordon,**

Amy Scanes-Wolfe, Kirk Stewart

Walking Tours: **Mary Claire Collins, Rob Gordon,**

Joan Grunzweig, Diane Zimmermann

Web Master: **Leonard Sitongia**



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To view current videos: Go to our website and

click on the video of choice or go to **YouTube.com**

Then type in: Niwot Historical Society

Click on our logo

Videos will be listed.

Just click on the photo and enjoy the video.



Membership:

If you have not yet updated your membership to 2022, please go to the website to join via PayPal or you can mail a check to: Niwot Historical Society, P.O.Box 354, Niwot, CO 80544-0354
Memberships over \$50 will receive in the mail a receipt with tax deduction number for the donation.