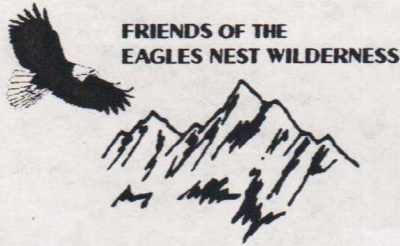


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**Introduction to Friends:**

The Friends of the Eagles Nest Wilderness is an apolitical nonprofit corporation (501(c)3) formed in May 1994 to raise in-cash, in-kind, and in-service goods to help the Dillon Ranger District of the White River National Forest maintain the Summit County portions of the Eagles Nest and Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness areas. The Eagles Nest Wilderness consists of 82,484 acres of Summit County while the Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness has 13,175 acres. Three Wilderness Rangers cover this area in the summer (31,886 acres each). We presently raise money through membership dues, T-shirt sales, donations, and grants.

**July Project – North Rock Creek – Sat. 8 am July 21st**

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The bridge crossing North Rock creek began washing out 2 years ago. Last year it completely washed out. We are seeing some resource damage already due to hikers waking up and down the stream bank trying to locate a place to cross the creek. The goal of this project will be to replace the bridge. This will entail felling a tree for materials earlier in the week of the project. On the project day we will do several things including: 1) tear out whatever is left of the old bridge, 2) reinforce the stream banks with rocks, 3 build wood sills from log material and place them at either end of the crossing, 4) build a stringer out of log material and put it across the creek.

The full day project requires we meet at the **Dillon District Office at 8 am** for an early start. Bring a lunch and water, wear long pants, long sleeve shirt, gloves, sturdy boots, sunscreen, bug repellent, etc. The project location is within ¼ mile of the trailhead. Work will complete about 4:30.

**Remaining Summer Trail Project**

Please mark the following date on your calendar. **Sat Aug 11-** North Ten-mile washout – Part of the trail on North Ten-mile was washed out by the creek. We want to reroute the trail away from the creek. This will entail some trail construction and building a 60-foot puncheon over a wet area. The work will consist of moving and setting stringers and sills into place, attaching the decking to the stringers, and building an approach at both ends of the puncheon.

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**Gateways Project Summary held June 23rd**

We thank all that worked and enjoyed a great day on the trails. Work accomplished:

- 2 bulletin boards replaced at each the Cataract and Surprise trailheads
- 9 trees cleared off trail on the Surprise trail
- 9 trees cleared off trail on the Gore Range trail between N. Rock Creek and S. Rock creek
- Erosion control work and 1 large tree cleared from the Salt Lick area

- replaced mountain bike signs at 2 portals from Salt Lick into the Wilderness
- carried Wilderness portal sign into the Salt Lick area to put at one of the trails leading into the Eagles Nest

We thank the following 14 volunteers: Martin James, Bill Adamson, Anne Robinson, Patrick Dobey, Audrey Dwyer, Lesley Belvo, Ed Adams, Jonathan Kriegel, Gene Jencsok, Glenn McCleary, Joel Bitler, Mern Bitler, Currie Craven

**New & Renewing Members**

Please welcome and thank you to new members Connie Tussel, Patrick Dobey, Joel & Mern Bitler. Welcome back and thank you to Jonathan & Jacquelyn Kriegel, Sandi & Mike Macleod, Bill and Marylee Adamson, Irv & Barb Strauss, Stuart & Marty Richardson, Jim Miller, Kolbjorn & Kathryn Tenfjord, Kurt Morscher, Jim & Mil Plant, J. David Hamilton, Currie Craven. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

**Membership Expiration**

Please note your membership expiration date located below your address on the envelope. If your membership has expired a "We miss you" sheet is inserted in this newsletter. Please use the membership form below to renew your membership. Please help us with new membership by passing this form along to friends and family.

**Reminder**

When hiking our wilderness trails and you observe a section of a trail that needs work, please inform any member of the board so we can get it on our future trails work project plan. Happy hiking and enjoy the wilderness.

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## Friends of the Eagles Nest Wilderness Membership Form

Yes! I want to join Friends and help preserve Summit County Wilderness. Sign me up at the:

- Trailhead Level ( \$10 per year)
- Buffalo Mountain Level ( \$20 per year)
- Cataract Lake Level ( \$30 per year)
- Red Buffalo Pass Level ( \$50 per year)
- Eagles Nest Level ( \$100 per year)
- Mount Powell Level ( \$500 per year)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you willing to work on volunteer projects? \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ I can best work \_\_\_\_\_ weekdays \_\_\_\_\_ weekends

Please mail your membership form to: Friends of the Eagles Nest Wilderness, PO Box 4504, Frisco, CO 80443. Or call (970) 453-9056 or (970) 262-2399 for more information.