



# The Los Pinos Ranch News    May 2015

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition



May 1965: The McSweeneys (2 Bills and 2 Alices) take up residence in New Mexico at Los Pinos Ranch.

The Family!



The Parents!

Bill and Alice



Bill, Sr. morning shave in 1965, outdoors enthusiast.



“Mighty Mom” known for her great family style meals.





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### The Kids! Little Bill & Little Alice



Billy's 1<sup>st</sup> job was  
gathering pinecones.

Alice M. on Grass Mountain  
learning the trails.



### Commuting in Early Years

Bill, Sr. ready to commute back to  
work in New Jersey.



Alice, Sr., Alice, Jr. and Billy at Lamy  
Station waiting on Bill Sr. who had  
a 2,000 mile commute via AT&SF  
RR for a couple of years!





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### The Staff.

Wrangler Bob Snip of San Antonio, TX  
(with Alice, Truchas Peaks in background).



Handyman Jeff Watts of Twin Lakes, OH.  
(school friend from Kent State University).

### Kitchen Staff



Kathie



Ann



Bill Sr.  
the REAL Handy Man!

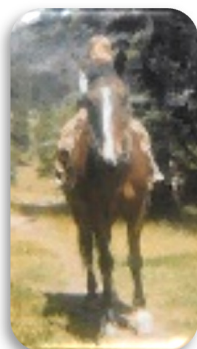


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Sometimes we worked; sometimes we played.  
The swimming hole in the Pecos River provided family entertainment.



Billy on Twofor



Gabaldon Cabin



M'pache, 1<sup>st</sup> cat!



Bill, Jr. and cousin Kathie Westby-Gibson floating  
boats on front porch before repairs made to roof.



Cousins Ann McSweeney,  
Johnny Westby-Gibson,  
and Billy McSweeney with  
baby rabbit.



Dusty and Belle



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### The Guests!

The Rev. Davis Given who was a guest for over 50 years (beginning in 1940) .rode daily with Navajo friends and on to the Opera at night.



The Packard Family  
(friends from the  
International Park  
Service).

Harvey and Henrietta Cragon, many  
years as guests in the 1960/70s.



Art Montgomery (geologist and co-author of the  
Trail Guide to the Upper Pecos) at Pecos Baldy Lake.

Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches everyday.

Rich and Ethel Richardson, Winsor Creek neighbors,  
who were regular Sunday Dinner guests.

