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IN MEMORIUM

Mary Darby—Widow of Jack, mother of
 Gerry, Roberta, Katherine, Jack and Dan,
 a lifelong resident of the Enumclaw-
 Black Diamond area. She is missed.
Jane Hawthorne, born in Black Diamond.
 A member of a pioneer family. Sister of
 Verna, Clara, and Evelyn.
Stanley Poleski, Lifetime resident of
 Black Diamond.
Cliver Swanson, former resident of
 Black Diamond, brother of Elsie Upton.
Carl Unick, Former Black Diamond
 resident. Husband of Beatrice.
Matt Paschich, a pioneer of the Krain
 area.

Casey Lapinski, a longtime resident of the Ravensdale-Black Diamond area.
Florence LeBeau, former Black Diamond resident, mother of Wendy, Jeff and Dean.

MEMORIALS

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| <u>Gertrude Weston:</u> | Mr. & Mrs. Bud Simmons | <u>David Busby:</u> | Lynda Maks |
| <u>Bill Zaputil:</u> | Mr. & Mrs. Bud Simmons | <u>Matt Paschich:</u> | Katherine Cato |
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| | James and Lawann Swanson | | |
| | Robert and Mrs. Barnum | | |
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| | Daryl & Norma, | Marlene & Bernie Martin, | Priscilla Hill |
| | Glen Frederickson, | Inez Aden, | Margaret & Harold Hoffman |
| | Jack & Joyce Duncan | | |

Frank Roulst

We are sad to report that the report we did on the 75th anniversary of Frank and Ethel Roulst has had a sad ending. Even as our last issue was being printed Frank became ill and died at the age of 98.

Date Bulletin: Arthur Jones was born in Black Diamond 73 years ago. He died July 30, '89. Memorials received from:
Bertha & Marian Ingalls and Allen & Carol Robison.

DEPOT DOINGS

The progress on the rebuilding of the caboos has been great. Everyone who stops to look marvels at the good work the men are doing. It will soon be ready for painting on the outside and the lettering. The inside will take more time because they want to make it as authentic as possible and need to do more research to make it so. Al Shay who worked at Pacific Car where this caboos was built, has been a great help. We have had as many as nine men working on Thursdays and the progress really shows. Bob Eaton, Joe Kuzaro, Donald Botts, Carl Steiert, Martin Moore, Bob Burdic and Ted Barner have been joined by Roy Holm of Enumclaw.

Of course the Thursday workdays would not be as great if the ladies who bring the lunches were not as faithful. Rose Guidetti has done a fine job of scheduling each week. The following have served during the past months:

<u>Frank & Helen Manowski</u>	<u>Rose Guidetti</u>	<u>Nancy Nicholas</u>	<u>Shari Kuzaro</u>
<u>Lucille Barner</u>	<u>Dorothy Botts</u>	<u>Rachel Fagnon</u>	<u>Ann Steiert</u>
<u>Marlene Bortleson</u>	<u>Evelyn Dal Santo</u>	<u>Gertrude Botts</u>	<u>Lynda Maks</u>

We want to express our gratitude to these people for supporting the Crew. We invite anyone interested to help in the lunch program. If more would take part it would ease the load that these cooks have been bearing. Please give it some thought. No where will you ever serve a meal that it would be more appreciated. Call Rose at 886-2858 or Ann Steiert 886-1168.

MUSEUM

Attendance through the Museum has continued to be good. We have 2061 persons who have signed the Guest Register since January 1. As I have stated in other issues, we are told that only 40% sign their names. If that is true, we have really had good attendance! We are having many family groups go through. There have been many tours brought by different bus companies. We have several private schools who have been back many times. They all seem pleased with the narration which Carl gives and many times requests are put in for him. It keeps our docents busy answering questions etc.

There have been some new names added to the docent list. Elaine Griffin is in charge of arranging the sitters each week. She says the following have been doing the work:

<u>Ethel Duncan</u>	<u>Merna Hawk</u>	<u>Don Mason</u>	<u>Florence Garrett</u>
<u>Verna Thompson</u>	<u>Donna Gauchenour</u>	<u>Elaine Mead</u>	<u>Gwen Sebastian</u>
<u>Donald Botts</u>	<u>Dewey Sullivan</u>	<u>Marlene Bortleson</u>	<u>Julie Weinbrecht</u>

Articles Donated:

Pete Gianonni gave us a cheese grater made by his Grandfather over 50 yrs. ago. He, also, brought A child'd old sled and a miners' hat.

Cecelia Richter of Enumclaw donated a beautiful black velvet cape and a man's brown beaver hat. The articles were worn by Mr. & Mrs. John Klansnic.

Eva Litras gave us a large doll. She has become the third student in our new schoolroom. She, also, gave us a very old box camera.

Mary Grgurich donated 6 lbs. of coffee for use in the kitchen lunch program.

Ted Barner gave us a unique folding picnic table.

Marlene Bortleson has once again planted the boxes outside the Museum with lovely annuals.

Beth Wilson brought in a child's laundry set consisting of a small ironing board, tub and washboard, iron and a laundry drying rack for outdoors.

Jack Reeves donated an assortment of old time auto tools and a very unique shaped tea kettle.

John Ruppert donated a lighter used in the mines and a small pin in the shape

More Donations

Of a shield bearing the message "Mine more coal" He found it near his home on Lawson Hill.

Jack Hope Jr. Brought in a very old slicing machine which was used in the old Masonic Hall. He donated a big stack of Time keeping books dated before 1900. They were found in the old Pacific Coast Company Store.

Evan Morris donated an excellent picture of the mine crew at Ravensdale.

William Kombol donated a picture of Palmer Coking Coal miners.

ANNUAL PICNIC

The Annual Picnic was held this year at the Museum on July 16. The weather chose to rain and discouraged some people. However, many did attend and those who were there did a lot of visiting and reminiscing. That is the kind of day we hope to create....a day when those who no longer live here will come home and share experiences with those still living here.

Glenn Frederickson came from Cashmere and Iorworth Davies came from the Dalles Oregon. They were welcomed with open arms.

The idea of having a Black Diamond Day has so much potential for visiting and getting caught up on what everyone is doing that it would be a shame to let it go by the way:



HAPPY BIRTHDAY CORA FLYZIK

One of our oldest members is Cora Flyzik. She was born Aug. 28, 1886. She will be 103 yrs. old this month. Cora was very helpful when research was being done for the Black Diamond Book. She came to the northwest when she was three years old. Her family settled in Franklin. Her father and later her husband were very instrumental in Union organizing. She now lives in Seattle with her daughter. We want to wish her a very happy birthday from all of us.

LAKES

In response to our request for subjects to explore and cover we had only one respondent. William Kombol asked if we knew why Lake Sawyer was so named. Thus far we have not been able to find any records or anyone who knows the reason. However, this led us into evaluating the whole lake population of the Green River Coal Fields.

We think about the early settlers of the 80 sq. miles of the Green River Coals fields. After living in the sparsely forested area of the Mt. Diablo Hills in California, to come to an area where it was thick with virgin forest and all these bodies of water in their pristine untouched state. Those were very interesting and exciting times. That was 107 years ago. Some of the lakes in the area are:

Lake Sawyer

Ginder Lake.....named for a homesteading family named Ginder.

Black Diamond or Chub Lake.....because of the fish caught in it.

Ravensdale Lake.....after the town of Ravensdale.

Lake Twelve or Crow Lake.....?

Jones Lake or Lake 14.....after a man named Jones and the land section 14.

Lake Retreat, also Lake 32.....?

Horseshoe Lake.....Because of its' shape.

Deep Lake or Lake Nolte.....after the Nolte Family

Keevees Mud Hole.....? near 101 Pines

Other lakes in the area:

Shadow Lake

Lake wilderness

Lake Lucern or Pipe Lake

Lake Morton

Lake Francis

Hyde Lake

Walsh Lake

Cak Lake

Lake Meridian or Cow Lake

NAMES FROM THE PAST

AS we go through our records and photographs names of persons who were very much in evidence during the early days of our Town crop up. The following are just a few:

George Fulford.....A carpenter and handyman. He hung wall paper and was noted for singing a song about "When Father papered the Parlor" It said the kids all got stuck behind it. He like belonging to Lodges and also, an occasional "Nip".

Joe Paglia.....He was a great football player and athlete. He went to Santa Clara University, CA and was known as "Coffin Corner Joe" because of his kicking ability. His brothers were Ray and Gus.

Albert Weatherbee..Our school principal, He was noted for his strict discipline. Many can recall seeing him wield his paddle.

George & Leone *

Eipper....They ran the Bakery for many years. Their bread was great. For a while they specialized in making a date nut bread that was really popular.

Lila Haynes.....She worked at the Company Store. She helped everyone. She had a lovely smile and red hair. She now lives in Renton.

Victor Gattavarra..He built the building that now houses the Dinner House.

George Wake.....He ran a small mine in the Franklin area in partnership with Lew McCauley.

Fred and Annetta Tonkin...They were postmasters for many years. They, also, were great Lodge members and belonged to most of the Lodges. Their son, Jim, was a logger married to Fannie Bolden.

Bill Hahn.....He was an early mine superintendant for Pacific Coast C.Co. He later operated a small mine of his own.

Florence Porter...She was a grade school teacher who helped put on special plays and programs Her former students are many.

Bill Cushing.....He was town marshal for several years. He was interested in sports and coached the Town Baseball team.



HAVE YOU NOTICED THAT.....

Everything is farther away than it used to be. It is even twice as far to the corner and they added a hill.

I have given up running for the bus. It just leaves earlier than it used to!

It seems to me they are making the stairs steeper than in the old days and have you noticed the smaller print they use in the Newspapers?

There is no sense in asking anyone to read aloud any more as everybody speaks in such a low voice I can hardly hear them.

The material in dresses is so skimpy now, especially around the hips and waist. It is almost impossible to reach one's shoelaces! And sizes don't run the way they used to. The 12 and 14's are so much smaller.

Even people are changing. They are so much younger than they used to be when I was their age.....on the other hand people my own age are so much older than I am. I ran into an old classmate the other day and she has aged so much she didn't recognize me.

I got to thinking about the Poor Dear while I was combing my hair this morning. In so doing, I glanced at my own reflection.....Really now!!! they don't even make good mirrors like they used to!.....

DON'T FORGET TO COME TO BLACK DIAMOND ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND....There will be something for everyone especially on Monday. The parade starts at 10:00 a.m.

DIANE and CORY

We would like to introduce a very special couple to our members.

Diane and Cory were instrumental in putting together our recently published book, "Black Diamond, Mining the Memories". Along with several members of the Society they helped interview many of the people whose memories are recorded on tape. They edited the tapes and put the memories into book form. It was a long and tedious job, taking many hours and



Diane and Cory Olson married 1957

much dedication. The book is proving to be a huge success. We are deeply in debt to them for their achievement. The following are some personal notes on Diane and Cory as given to us by Diane's parents, Bob and Ruth Burdick.

Cory was the first child of Herman and Joan Olson of Chehalis, WA. Diane was the first child of Bob and Ruth Burdick of Idaho Falls, Idaho. They met at the Youth Fellowship in St. Paul's Methodist Church in Spokane and married there in 1957. Cory graduated from WSU with a degree in Math in 1956. In 1959 they both attended the University of Illinois where Cory was working towards his doctorate degree and where Diane received her BA in 1960. Cory continued his studies there for one year more while Diane took a job teaching first grade in the Urbana, Ill. school system. In 1961 Cory became a Math teacher in the Kent Meridian High School. Some years later he became the Uniserve Representative with the WEA in the Kent District, a position he holds today. Diane served a number of years as a kindergarten teacher and is now continuing this work. The couple have three children, Heidi, Karin and Todd. Heidi is married and works in the office of a group of Surgeons in Longview. Her husband, Alan, is in construction. Karin is a Special Education Teacher for the speech and hearing impaired students in the Kent School System. Todd has completed two years at WSU

In 1978 the Olsons purchased a home in the Black Diamond Community. Soon they became involved in local activities. One of their first efforts was to help with the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Town. The event was a striking success. During this time taped interviews were being taken in order to preserve the memories of the "Old Timers". The logical thing to do with the tapes was to put them into book form. Diane and Cory assumed the major responsibility for its completion. It was a most demanding task. They set a deadline of Labor Day 1988 but were unable to meet that. It was published in time for the

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Christmas Holidays. It took much work, worry, doubt and fears to achieve the Christmas deadline.

Note: Diane spent some time writing for the Voice of the Valley and local papers. Since they have become members of the Historical Society they have been supportive of the many projects which are on-going all the time. It has been a pleasure working with them. We all feel that they are special people.

COAL PAST AND PRESENT

The following is information taken from a pamphlet published by the Palmer Coking Coal Co.

Coal is a product of Nature, formed when land vegetation is subjected to intense pressure and heat for millions of years. It becomes high density carbon solid flammable properties and can be found in most parts of the world.

Coal was used as fuel for cooking and for heat but did not come into common use until well into the 18th Century when coal was considered the fuel for industry. Wood because of its abundance and availability was the main household fuel.

Most of the coal used in the U.S. before the Revolutionary War was imported from mines in England and Nova Scotia. But when these supplies were cut off, coal mining began to develop in the eastern U.S. Still the demand for coal was negligible until the Industrial Revolution began. Almost overnight there was a cry for large quantities of fuel. As the benefits of coal became known, coal rose to prominence as a primary commercial fuel. It, also, became the main source for heating homes, businesses and for cooking.

A combination of circumstances right after World War II brought a drastic decline in the use of coal however. The introduction of oil, natural gas and hydroelectric power offered fuels that were less costly, more easily transported and virtually maintenance free. This lasted about 35 years. In the 1970's it became quite apparent that the supplies of these new cheap fuels were not limitless. Foreign exporters put the nation into a panic when they temporarily refused to ship any more crude. Natural gas reserves began to run dry and electric power could not be produced fast enough to keep up with the demands causing black and brown outs around the country. This caused an unprecedented increase in the price of these fuels. Heating bills in some cases, doubled or tripled in less than a year.

Thus coal has again found its way into the energy limelight. It's easy to see why. It's efficient, it's economical and it's abundant. In the U.S. alone it is estimated that there are reserves of over 1600 billion tons of coal... enough to last for several hundred years.

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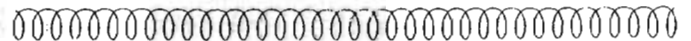
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