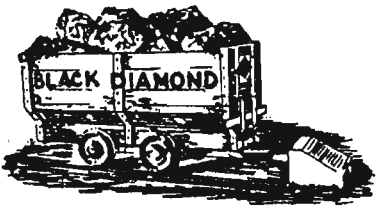


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In Memorium

Joann Frazier....wife of Roy raised in B.D. with her sist Marilyn and brothers John & Chuck.

Selma Riverside-Jazbec
 Born in Franklin and attended school in Black Diamond.

Lillian Burnell Smoke
 Long time area resident.

A. Carlyle Butcher Maple Valley resident and well known in tgis area.

George Savicke Long time B.D resident who had worked in the mines and was active in the union. Husband of May.

MEMORIALS

Clinton Morris Carl and Ann Steiert

George Savicke Joe and Farrell Kuzaro, Don Botts, Carl & Ann Steiert

Michael Allen Hawk Marilyn Pederson

George Savicke Palmer Coal Co. United Miners

MEMORIALS

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MEMBERSHIP MEETING MEMBERSHIP

ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 15 at 1 p.m. AT THE MUSEUM.

These meetings are held so that all may have some input into the events that take place at the Museum. Do your part.... attend the meeting.

The work is now being done by a very few people, they are getting tired and need some assistance.

How long has it been since you came to a meeting? Do you have some new ideas ? Or some time to give ?

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Welcome to new members...Mary Jo Carlson and Jerry and Janet Weston.

It's always nice to see new names on the list. It does indicate that people are interested in Black Diamond and it's history. Invite your friends to join us too.

We want to hear from all members.. new and old.. that's what this society is all about.. Recording what you know so that others may enjoy the past.

REMEMBER THE MEETING OCTOBER 15 1pm FOR ALL MEMBERS

The City of Black Diamond has officially joined the King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission and we will have a representative from Black Diamond on the committee. This position will be primarily to assist with the programs which will apply to our local programs.

We do have an historic preservation program on line. Anyone who might be interested in seeking historic status for their property should contact the City Hall. Grants are available to restore some of our older homes..there are of course guidelines which must be followed so it's best to find out what it's all about before you make any decisions. More to come on this as we attend the meetings and get all the information together.

There are several homes in town which would qualify and it would be wonderful to see an historic tour area develop here. We can start with Railroad Avenue but there are homes on Lawson Hill and in Morganville as well. We also have the cemetery and the mines.

It will take some work but we can and should do it. Let's try.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OCTOBER 15

Old Pictures and slides.

Several members are sorting the pictures and slides we have on hand to see if we can put them into categories and try to identify some of those which have been left with little information accompanying them.

We will be running a few copies of pictures in this newsletter from time to time to see if some of you recognize some of them. Any information will be helpful and is appreciated. Carl and Ann are in charge so talk to them or send any correspondence to the museum address.

Remember if you do donate pictures or artifacts to the museum it is very helpful to have as much information as possible with it.

It is the intention of these hard workers who are sorting to get the slides ready to do a video with. It will take a lot of work and time. Carl will be doing the narration and we wish him lots of luck and have fun doing the project.

Museum attendance is still running high. We can use hosts and hostesses anytime.

Thanks to those who have been doing such a great job!!!!

Thanks too to the Thursday crew and to the ladies who serve up such wonderful lunches. Again these are volunteers. Your name could be added to the list and it would be most appreciated.

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Lets Reminisce

Remember in the 1930s... We were young, the PCC Co. owned the houses and we paid \$10.00 a month to rent, also when we wanted our house painted inside we had a choice of two colors of paint..an icky green or gray and only one wallpaper.

The rooms all had single walls, if you put a long nail in the wall you could hang two pictures, one on each side of the wall.

The only plumbing we had was cold water to the sink.

Remember when we heated water on our wood and coal stoves in a boiler so when our husbands came home from the mines they had hot water to take a bath in a round tin tub?

What I remember most is the script books we used for everyting we bought. they were \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$20.00. We did all our shopping on Railroad Avenue.

1st store was the bakery; bread was 25¢ a loaf, next the butcher shop ! then the big company store, the garage, then the poolhall.

Across the street was the confectionary (the antique shop is there now) then the barber shop and then the sho hall. They had a show Thursday night and Sunday. Cost 10¢. There were times when we had to rob the kid's piggy bank for 20¢.

The mine statement came out on the 1st and the 15th of the month. That's when you knew if you had any money coming or if you drew a bobtail. The least Chick and I ever drew was 7¢.

But we had a lot of good times. There were dances in town, we would have a potluck at friends and play cards. The men wanted beer so they tool a 2 # lard pail to the poolhall and had it filled; But before they went down they greased the top edge, that way they got more beer and less foshm. If I remember right it cost 25¢.

Let's go back to the poolhall, No decent woman would go in there. I know o 2 that did.... I'm not saying they weren't decent... they just had more nerve than the rest of us. I don't think there was a woman in town that didn't wish that the place would burn down.

Let's not forget the old out house with the Sears Roebuck catalog always handy, the only thing left of the catalog was the shiny pages. In the winter it was icicles and summer it was flies.

We have all grown older, Black Diamond is still a great town, and the poolhall never ~~di~~ burn down.

Irene Thompson

Our many thanks again to Irene for her story. I truly do enjoy reading these.

Come on folks... you have things that you remember too. Let's share!!!

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING OCTOBER 15 1 PM.

THIS MEETING IS FOR YOU!!! YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT.
DON'T LEAVE EVERYTHING FOR A FEW TO DO.

Do you realize how few peopl are really active in the workings of the museum? And those who have been here for some time are not only getting older, they are getting tired. But it is important to them so they continue to work because no one else will come to learn what we have and to help. Please think about what is possible if we all work together to keep the museum growing. What we have is great but it takes time and people to keep it a success. Black Diamond has earned a good reputation in the historic field. Let's keep it going and growing.

Donations of a potato masher of a larger size and an all metal egg beater from about the year 1903 were given by Ethel Kranik.

Alan and Pearl Klier gave ua a large framed picture of one of Joe Metzler's Baraca Classes.

Thanks to both parties. These items add to the variety of items we have to show.

We will hold the annual Christmas party in December again.. hope you can attend that meeting too.

We did have an entry in the Labor Day parade. Did you see it? Thanks goes again to Carl, Ann and the Thursday Crew.



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Can you identify these pictures? These are the first of many to come. It would be nice to identify all the pictures we have.

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