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PICTURES OF THE PAST - AYPE Official Post Card #1118, Private Collection
WELSH EISTEDDFOD HELD IN AUDITORIUM AND MUSIC PAVILION
1909 Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition

The Welsh Eisteddfod was held on August 27th and 28th, 1909 in the Auditorium and Music Pavilion with orchestra seats for over 2,500, and with openings on three sides. The Welsh Eisteddfod, gave a concert on Welsh Day, Friday, August 27th, 1909 composed of Welsh singing societies from all parts of the Northwest, that was heard over the entire central court of honor.

The Corinthian colonnade building's facade overlooking the main entrance to the Exposition grounds is a striking structure of Colonial architecture 180' x 150' in size, of "reinforced concrete, steel, and brick". With a cost of over \$300,000, it is fire proof, and was one of seven buildings reverted back to the University of Washington. There is a well lighted basement above ground, a platform on the main floor, and has a lobby entrance of 15 feet wide. There are seven entrances and exits to this lobby. On both sides of the lobby are wide stairways leading to the galleries. Two additional entrances and exits are in the rear of the building. It was completed five months before the Exposition's opening date and was used by the University Law School.

Surrounding the building the Exposition's formal gardens of Douglass fir and beautiful flowers of many varieties. The asphalt walks and paths leads to furniture where visitors can listen to the concerts outside the pavilion.

The Auditorium became the original Meany Hall and was torn down after a 1965 earthquake.



The mission of the Black Diamond Historical Society shall be the discovery, preservation, and dissemination of the history of Black Diamond and environs, as it relates to King County and the State of Washington.

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We thank the City of Black Diamond for the operations support.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Keith Watson

HAPPY 2009

Another year has come and gone and we are again thankful to all of you who have made it possible to keep the history of Black Diamond alive. There are so many volunteers that spend uncountable time to help in this task and we thank each and every one of them. The year came to an end with our Christmas Open House and a white coating of snow. Those who were able to attend heard good music (see pictures on page 6) and were also able to join in a white elephant gift exchange. We really had fun and wish all of you could have attended.

This coming year marks the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Black Diamond. There will be fifty events marked on a calendar that the City has printed in black and white. The calendar features pictures from 1959 onward, showing people and places that you will probably recognize. The City has the calendars for sale at \$5; which most are predicting will be a collector's item. Some of our volunteers are pictured as well as Mayor Botts and former Mayor Evans plus a view of the Museum taken from the air. The calendars will be sold at the Museum, City Hall, Black Diamond Community Center, Mount Rainier Bank, and Leih's Gift Shop, which is located in the Black Diamond Bakery building.

The Black Diamond Historical Society will participate in the celebration by installing and running the old "Siren" that was used to warn of fires in the town and disasters in the mines. It was originally mounted across the street from the Depot on top of the Confectionary building. We will be installing the "Siren" on Museum grounds so we will be able to operate it on special times such as Labor



Day etc. We will also celebrate Memorial Day, Miners Day, Welsh Day, Labor Day and Veterans Day. Look at our calendar and view our web site at <http://www.blackdiamondmuseum.org> for upcoming details.

I hope that this year will find favor for you and yours and the City of Black Diamond and it's citizens.

Keith Watson



EDITOR'S REPORT

By Steve Israel

At this time of writing, I am looking out my window at lots and lots of snow. I was walking in the snow the other day and stopped to talk to a long time residence of Black Diamond, and he recalled a time when Lake 14 froze solid enough to drive Model T's on it.



We may think this winter is a cold one, but it is nothing new for those of you who have been around here for a while. Please tell me your stories of cold winters in Black Diamond.



Please note the deadline for material submitted for the newsletter, on page 2 of each issue of the newsletter. Our next deadline is March 19th, for the April issue.

I received a couple of 'letters to the Editor', you can find them on page 14. Below is a letter that Don Mason received from Susie Marshall, Teacher:

Don -

What an amazing place your museum is. We got a real "first hand" look at the geology of coal mining and the "turn of the century" culture of Black Diamond.

Thanks again,
Susie Marshall, Teacher

We are always glad to open up for special tours. The young ones are always so fascinated by the way people lived in the old days; and to learn about coal. With the older tourists, it brings back memories to walk through the many displays in the Museum. Keeping history alive is what it's all about.

Steve

BDHS 2009 CALENDAR

JAN 8th THU Museum re-opens

MAR 1st SUN 2:30 PM Welsh Celebration @ St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. See article on page 11

APR 11 SAT 1 PM Arbor Day planting event @ Museum

APR 26 SUN 1:30 PM General Membership Meeting @ Museum

MAY 23 SAT 1 PM Memorial Day Presentation @ Museum

JUN 3 WED 10:30 AM Black Diamond School Reunion @ Community Center

JUN 6 SAT 1 PM Welsh Day Celebration @ Museum

JUL 11 SAT 12 PM Miners Day Event

SEP 7 MON 10 AM Labor Day Event @ Museum

OCT 25 SUN 1:30 PM General Membership Meeting @ Museum

NOV 7 SAT 1:30 PM Veterans Day Presentation @ Museum

NOV 26 THU Closed for Thanksgiving

DEC 12 SAT 1 PM Christmas party open house @ Museum

Museum closed DEC 21 through JAN 6, 2010

Other events and presentations may develop throughout the year. Some events, dates, and times are subject to change. Please keep an eye on our web site and other publications for notification.

Read letters to the editor on page 14

SECRETARY'S REPORT

By Dee Israel

FACILITIES &

GROUNDS: Chair, Don Malgarini – The October 25th “Make a Difference Day” was a total success. The volunteers from Lake Sawyer Christian Church did a good job of replacing some rotted posts and painting the caboose, railings and steps.



MEMBERSHIP: Chair Dee Israel - We now have a total of 310 members.

The October 26, 2008 (Sunday) General Membership Meeting was a terrific success with:

1. Jackie Cedarholm and Gino Picini had decided not to continue on the Board. (We want to thank them for their service to the Society as board of directors.) Elections were held, with the officers remaining the same, and the addition of Gomer Evans and Bob Thompson (Welcome) taking the place of Jackie and Gino on the Board of Directors.
2. New membership fees were voted down, so the fees will stay the same.
3. The 2-year length of term of Board Members received a positive vote to take effect at the Oct. 2009 Membership Meeting.
4. Followed by the Olson's talk.

PROGRAMS: Chair Howard Botts – On October 18, 2008 (Saturday) we had the “*Black Diamond - Mining the Memories* Book signing” by the Olson's, and then after the General Membership Meeting on Sunday, October 26, 2008 we had a wonderful presentation by Cory and Diane Olson about how they produced the book.

November 6, 2008 (Thursday) we had the Veterans Day presentation with speaker Colonel Neil A. Currie with the Washington State Air National Guard.

December 13, 2008 (Saturday) was the Christmas Open House with singing and music by Steve

Israel on the harmonica and Gino Picini on the accordion. Louis Traverso joined them later, with his accordion. (See pictures on page 6) Cookies, fruitcake, candy, coffee, tea & punch were available. A fun White Elephant gift exchange was held.

April 26, 2009 (Sunday) at 1:30 PM will be our General Membership Meeting. We will announce our agenda in the next newsletter.

June 3, 2009 will be the next Black Diamond School Reunion.

June 6, 2009 (Saturday) will be Welsh Heritage Day at the Museum. Chairs Don Mason & Anna Morris – Speaker will be Mr. Zimmerman. He will speak about Welsh immigration to the Pacific NW.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Chair Dorothy Botts – It has been suggested we gather together home movies & still pictures of past Labor Day celebrations in Black Diamond, put them together on a DVD and present them to the public next Labor Day. (If you have films or photos that you would like to share, please let us know.)

EDUCATION/OUTREACH: Chair Coke Roberts and Keith Watson - Coke Roberts was at the annual model train show in Ravensdale on Oct. 18 & 19 answering questions about the trains that were present in this area during the earlier days. He also had several railroad posters displayed during the event.

The museum lecture series was very interesting and enjoyed by many.

Several great tours have been conducted at the museum during this quarter.

FRANKLIN TOUR: Chair Don Mason – next Franklin tour on Sat. Jan. 10, 2009 at 1:00 PM. and again on Sat. March 7, 2009 at 1:00 PM.

THE CITY'S GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY of incorporation will kick off on February 19, 2009. The 2009 City calendar is being made.

The next scheduled Board Meeting will be held at **1:00 on (Thursday) January 15, 2009.**

The next scheduled Society Membership Meeting will be held at **1:30 on (Sunday) April 26, 2009.**



U SALUTING OUR VOLUNTEERS

By Don "Doc" Botts and JoAnne Matsumura

There are no unimportant Volunteers

As we look forward to a new year of bringing you 'News of Today and Historic Yesterdays' through our many volunteers, we also want to take this opportunity to reflect upon the year just past.

To the spouses and families of our volunteers who give so much of themselves and of their 'family time' to us, we offer our heartfelt appreciation. To those who are unable to give a help of hands, yet give of their ideas, suggestions, stories and letters of encouragement, are also volunteers we truly appreciate. There are many unsung heroes out there that give to us in indirect ways that we will never know who they all are, but we are appreciative of their giving none-the-less.

To our many new members who are not yet familiar with the Society's history of volunteers, we are proud to convey that in our thirty-two year existence, the Black Diamond Historical Society has been and continues to be an all-volunteer Society.

We hope to see more of our members 'volunteer' in whatever capacity and time you may have. It has been proven by the medical profession that volunteering is a healthy activity and provides longer life. Volunteering can be fun for everyone!

GUESTS_By: Don Botts

During the month of Sept. we had 494 guests, Oct. we had 414 guests and November we had 214 guests. Making a 3-month total of 1122 guests to the Museum. There were visitors from 14 States: Alaska, California, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Maine, Michigan, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Virginia, Wisconsin and here in Washington. There were also people visiting from other places, such as Canada, Germany, Italy, Mexico, Norway, S. Africa and S. America.

REMARKS MADE BY OUR GUESTS

Here are a few of the nice comments that were in our guest book this quarter:

Very Nice – Great memories, Very pleasant surprise – wonderful museum, outstanding, Great fun, Good job, So Wonderful – Thank you for this, Great History & display, Fun to learn about the rich history of Black Diamond, I like the old tools downstairs & the trolling motor, Great treasures, Fantastic history lesson, Great exhibits, Lots of History, Great for the kids to see, Wonderful collection, I could spend all day here, Great museum, I'm very impressed w/how important education was/is to the town, Very interesting & lots of history I didn't know, Wonderful & awesome visit to the past, Excellent displays, Terrific, This is a great piece of history, I loved the historic artifacts & pictures, Intriguing, More history in a small town than in most, Lecture very informative, Very fascinating – especially engine room, I love the phone booth, Wonderful collection, Very nice museum & friendly folks.



Steve Israel and Gino Picini



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Louis Traverso and young lad

 **LOOKING BACK:**

THIRTY YEARS AGO

By JoAnne Matsumura

As we approached early 1979 the Depot Museum was getting a new platform, “as close a copy of the original as possible” along with two double-hung windows that were copied from the old frames by a millwork in Seattle at a “restoration” cost of \$188.00. All new work must resemble the original as nearly as possible.

The slide shows are quite popular and Carl Steiert and Norm Gumser received Certificates of Appreciation from the Kiwanis of Enumclaw for their presentation.

In memoriam, gone but not forgotten are: Gertrude Callero Dal Santo, Mansuete A. Malgarini, Mary Grady and Raymond V. Rosso, former Black Diamond Postmaster from about 1944.

The Society received a grant of \$2,500 from the King County Council from HUD funds. It was applied for in the previous year.

In getting ready to paint the depot there was a request for anyone who could remember what the color the depot was, as they found several layers of paint and all different colors.

Charles Falk brought in some old documents

A biographical sketch of the life and times of Evan and Florence Harris Thomas appeared in the Society’s Newsletter of February 1979.

At the Society’s February 1979 membership meeting they enjoyed the music of Roger & Janice Paddy, with instruments of the “fiddle, guitar, the mouthorgan and the mandolin”.

The Society’s fathers were pleased with the nearly 3,000 sale of the Society’s Calendars that are still popular today.

It was a bumper season for pine and fir cone harvest.



The “Mr. Fish and Holy Cow” butcher shop and fish market opened with owners Rick Harden and Ray Pedrini.

Trinity Lutheran Church celebrated its 75th Anniversary on October 29, 1978.

By December 1978 rumors of the gasoline shortage were a concern but the average price for “regular” gasoline remained at 72.7 cents per gallon.

The United States President was Jimmy Carter, and first class postage was .15 cents.

Until next time—Happy Trails!

CORRECTION AND ADDITIONS

Labor Day-A Memorable Stately Affair

By JoAnne Matsumura

In our October 2008 issue the 1972 Labor Day Queen, Livia Palmer Ziebarth, was inadvertently not included in the chronological listing of queens and princesses of the past. We extend our apologies to Livia.

We recently heard from Mickie Burnett Greenside, a 1974 member of the Royal Court of Queens and Princesses, who will now be added to the Roster. Mickie has generously offered to do some research on those years that we are missing the names of other Queens and Princesses, to add to our Roster.

One of our volunteers was purchasing his Christmas tree and happened upon Mrs. Gingrich who was also a member of the Royal Court of Queens and Princesses. We look forward to more information from her as she makes a search of her albums.

We want to also mention that we learned who the designers were for three of the years in which buttons were made and sold. We will be expanding on this subject as research is completed and information found. The designers of the three years are; Ryan Enright, descendant of the Lucchesi Family, 1996, Nicole Wilson, 1998, and Carlie Cairnes, 2005.

To our readers we ask that if you have information as to the designers of any Labor Day Button, to please let us know. You may e-mail the information to the Society or to JoAnne at pine2tree@earthlink.net, or by phone or snail mail to the Society. Thank you!

IN MEMORIAM

✧ Gone but not forgotten ✧

By JoAnne Matsumura

✧ **Richard 'Dick' Thomas Allen**, a lifetime member of the Society and High School graduate of the Class of 1941 passed away on February 8, 2008.

Richard lived with his family in a company house across from the ballfield. His father Albert was a blacksmith for the New Black Diamond mine until the early 1940s.



✧ **Patrick Joseph "P. J." Walsh** passed away on November 19, 2008 at the age of 87. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Patricia and his son Brian.

Patrick was born on June 24, 1921 in Cle Elum, Washington. He moved with his family to Black Diamond at the age of six. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps in WWII. He met Patricia Graves who he married in 1948.



He is a graduate of the Black Diamond High School, Class of 1939, and was a lifetime member of the Society.

Patrick served as a Renton Firefighter for nearly 25 years, and worked as a Mutual Clerk at Longacres for 45 years.

Brothers Jim and Dave, and sons Steven, Kenneth and Robert survive him.

His frequent visits to the Museum with an always-happy face and cheerfulness will truly be missed.

The Black Diamond Historical Society expresses condolences to the families of the passing of their loved ones.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

✧ Gone but not forgotten ✧

By JoAnne Matsumura



✧ Russell Barkus
1916-2009

Born in Bayne, WA

✧ Patrick Gleason
1952-2008

Resident of Cumberland

✧ Arthur Gunderson
1955-2008

Black Diamond resident

✧ Thomas Edward Hope
1926-2008

Known as Hopie

✧ George Kranc
1911-2008

Born in Black Diamond

✧ Christine Lynch
1919-2008

Al's Service Station
1953-1982

✧ Carol Butcher Ney
1926-2008

Butcher Family, Selleck, WA

✧ Shirley Opstad
1935-2008

Wife of Ed Opstad

✧ Mary Alice Sherrard
1919-2008

Resident of Ravensdale
1955, for nearly 50 years



THE 1909 WELSH EISTEDDFOD

Of those who made it possible

By JoAnne Matsumura

The men and women of Black Diamond and environs who participated and made the 1909 Welsh Eisteddfod at the 1909 Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition (AYPE) possible, was an enormous undertaking.

The Eisteddfod was held on August 27th and 28th, 1909 amid “summery and pleasant” weather, the auditorium was filled to capacity both days and all four sessions.

The competitions of Literary and Musical contests were extensive, bringing groups from many areas. Compositions were to be written in Welsh or English, and preliminary contests were held on recitations, orations and singing. Prize money ranged from \$2.00 to a \$1,000 prize that would be from the Eisteddfod Association, with total prizes to be awarded of \$2,300.

Noted winners were Miss Vivian Botting, first prize in individual recitation of “Old Ironside”, for children under the age of 16 years. The mixed choir from Black Diamond won second prize for their rendition of “Y Don o Flaen Gwytoedd”.

Mr. D. C. Botting, State Mine Inspector, was on the Board of Trustees of the AYPE Eisteddfod Association.

There was Vice-President John D. Jones (a/k/a Jac Y Cigydd) who hailed from Franklin, and also participated in the 1886 Eisteddfod held in Black Diamond.

The Carbonado Hill Coal Company, L. W. Davies, Superintendent, advertised Wingate and Douty Steam Coal, and Carbonado Lump Coal.

Among other participants from the Honorary, Advisory Committee and The Eisteddfod Association were:

From Black Diamond:

John E. Davis
Evan W. Davies
Wm. R. Jones
Wm. D. Williams

From Cumberland:

Wm. Coburn

From Maple Valley:

W. D. Gibbon

From Buckley:

John F. Jones

From Newcastle:

J. J. Jones

From Burnett:

James D. Davies
Jas. D. Davies

From Wilkeson:

W. R. Edwards
Evan W. Lewis

From Carbonado:

L. W. Davies
Tom Miles
G. W. Powell
Daniel C. Reese
Thos. Thomas
Geo. Williams, P.M.
Jenkins Williams
Thos. Williams

From Ravensdale:

Mrs. Hannah Joseph
Wm. Joseph



MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Make a Difference Day is a wonderful time when a person or group endeavors to make a difference by contributing some type of service to another. Our Make a Difference Day was given to us by the local **Lake Sawyer Christian Church**. The museum had a real need to have the caboose painted and we were approached by Nick Robertson, Director of Outreach and Assimilation, for the Lake Sawyer Christian Church with a proposal that a group from the church could paint the caboose. They further stated that they could replace some of the rotten wood in the stairway system that serves the caboose. As most of you may guess it is hard to find volunteers that are able to do this type of work. We were thrilled to have the offer and hoped we would have good weather for such an endeavor. The month of October is always variable as far as rain and temperature. We hoped that the weather would cooperate and indeed it did.

The Historical Society supplied the paint and painting tools, and the group supplied the wood, tools, and labor. They also supplied the “know-how” and leadership that was needed to get the job done. Saturday morning, October 25th, came and so did a group of teens and adults that went to work. We had masking to do, they did it; we had white paint for the trim, they did it; we had red paint for the body of the caboose, they did it; we had black paint for the undercarriage, they did it. Not only did they do it, but they did it right. What a beautiful job. Some of the wood rail system was loose and beginning to rot; the group dug holes for the posts that needed to be replaced and applied cement mix in the holes to create a solid renewed railing and step system. This group was high spirited, polite, and seemed to enjoy what they were doing. We at the museum are very impressed with the attitude and work ethic that the group, to a person, displayed.

A large THANK YOU goes to the Lake Sawyer Christian Church group – you really made a difference on that day.



A WELSH CELEBRATION

By JoAnne Matsumura and Eileen Wyke

The Seattle Welsh Women's Club and the Puget Sound Welsh Association cordially invite the Black Diamond Historical Society members and their families to their free annual St David's Day Celebration of beautiful music of Wales on Sunday, March 1st, 2009 at 2:30 P.M. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 111 N.E. 80th, Seattle.

They are pleased and honored to have Soprano Soloist Nerys Stermer with trio Dinas o Frain who will play Celtic music on the fiddle, flute and mandolin joined by the Cor Cymraeg (Seattle Welsh Choir). There will be singing in Welsh and English.

After the concert there will be Welsh te bach (afternoon tea) and refreshments in the lower level of the church amid decorations and a chance to win the raffle. There will also be the opportunity to purchase Welsh and other handcrafted items.

For further information please contact Gerri Parry at 206-524-0854.



MY SWEET VALENTINE

“Mid the holly hocks I stand
Full of love and heart in hand-
Waiting to receive a line
From my little Valentine”.

THE TOP O' THE MORNIN' TO YOU

By JoAnne Matsumura

1907 Clapsadd post card, Private collection

To the Society's Irish members and the descendants from the six Black Diamond Irish Families of the 1930s: John Brennan, Mary Harrington, Martin McDonough, George Pierce, Mary Sepotz, and Patrick Walsh, “The Top o' the Mornin' to you”—— and Happy St. Patrick's Day.



We wish to thank the following for their generous donations to the Black Diamond Historical Society.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF:

- George Kranc**, by Pauline Kombol.
- Bill Parkinson**, by Herb & Jennie Johnson.
- Daniel Picini**, by Gino Picini.
- Tom Hope**, by Joe & Evelyn Dal Santo, Jerrine Hope and Joe & Eileen Zumek.
- Patrick (PJ) Walsh**, by Linda Maks and Donald (Doc) Botts.
- Rei Matsumura**, by Julia (Judy) Young, Steve & Dee Israel and Joe & Eileen Zumek

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- Sara E. Morris
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- Joan Traylor
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- Robert & Jodine Burke
- Betty Blakeney
- Donald & Carmel Camerini
- Ethel Johnson
- Josephine Long
- Emerald Heights Retirement Center

These donations are greatly appreciated. The Black Diamond Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the Law.

WELSH DAY IS BACK!

We will be having Welsh Day on **June 6th, 2009**. Mark your calendar! This is the first Saturday in June. There will be Welsh music, and a slide show about Welsh immigration to America.



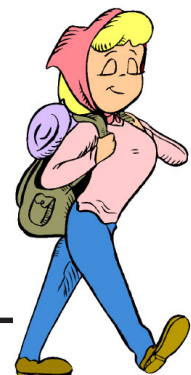
2 FRANKLIN TOURS PLANNED FOR 2009

Saturday January 10, 2009 at 1:00 PM

Saturday March 7, 2009 at 1:00 PM



Meet at the Black Diamond Museum at 1:00 PM
Rain or shine
Dress for the weather
Bring friends and family
1.8 mile walk with some elevation



**1st quarter
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**

To Society Members

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|---------|--------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Jan. 01 | Ed Opstad | Mar. 09 | Janice Roberts Colbo |
| Jan. 01 | Pete Logar | Mar. 11 | Douglas Danley |
| Jan. 03 | Althea Petchnick Craig | Mar. 12 | Henry De Lauro |
| Jan. 05 | Donna Savicke Casper | Mar. 14 | Cheryl Brean Dubbs |
| Jan. 05 | Rosa Draghi | Mar. 14 | Janice Greggs |
| Jan. 09 | Audrey Kramer Mendenhall | Mar. 16 | Michael Manieri |
| Jan. 09 | Ethel Estby Johnson | Mar. 18 | Ship Shipley |
| Jan. 11 | Philip Fowler | Mar. 22 | Virginia Mann Lindstrom |
| Jan. 14 | Edward Andrew Johnson | Mar. 23 | Catherine Evans Truman |
| Jan. 16 | Joan Benton Barber | Mar. 28 | Diane Dal Santo Kitz |
| Jan. 16 | Marlene Lingle Bortleson | Mar. 28 | John Trover |
| Jan. 18 | Jodine Dal Santo Burke | Mar. 31 | Chad M. Abramson Sr. |
| Jan. 19 | Gil Bortleson | Mar. 31 | Pauline Morris Kombol |
| Jan. 18 | Eileen Kelly Zumek | Mar. 31 | Jeanne Hope Zielsdorf |
| Jan. 20 | Esther Hall Mumford | Apr. 01 | Louis Draghi |
| Jan. 23 | Terry Picini | Apr. 02 | Joan Malgarini Traylor |
| Jan. 26 | Thelma Fisher | Apr. 04 | David Jones |
| Jan. 30 | Josephine Remsche Long | Apr. 05 | Paul Goldsberry |
| Jan. 31 | Michael Deicher | Apr. 06 | Betty Malgarini Manieri |
| Jan. 31 | Connie Botts Florence | Apr. 07 | Inez Costi Aden |
| Feb. 03 | Richard Cecchi | Apr. 08 | Clyde William Johnson |
| Feb. 03 | Ellen G. Olsen Vieg | Apr. 09 | Kay Traverso |
| Feb. 03 | R. Marie Trover Theilken | Apr. 10 | Joseph Lombardini |
| Feb. 06 | Betty Hiber Martin | Apr. 12 | Howard Botts |
| Feb. 08 | Walter Clark | Apr. 12 | Joan Zita Clark |
| Feb. 08 | Judy Watson | Apr. 12 | Glenn Fredericksen |
| Feb. 09 | MarcieLee Berg | Apr. 12 | Marsha Smith Mott |
| Feb. 09 | Elsie Parkin | Apr. 14 | Ivor Merryfield |
| Feb. 11 | Lynne Evans Bonnell | | |
| Feb. 12 | Julie (Judy) Laine Young | | |
| Feb. 17 | Dorothy Brown Botts | | |
| Feb. 18 | Janet Lombardini | | |
| Feb. 23 | Mrs. Flavia Picini Meyer | | |
| Feb. 24 | Harry Johnson | | |
| Mar.?? | Darwin W. Myers | | |
| Mar. 05 | Pearl Bowen | | |
| Mar. 02 | Loretta Stella Vincenzi | | |
| Mar. 04 | Dahni Malgarini Logar | | |
| Mar. 05 | Pearl Platt Bowen | | |
| Mar. 05 | Beth Deady | | |
| Mar. 06 | David Florence | | |
| Mar. 08 | Gerald Kuzaro | | |



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you Black Diamond Museum!

Mrs. Britt's WAVA students had a great time visiting and exploring.

When asked the question: "If you could go back to the late 1800's, would you be a coal miner?" Students responded...

Sarah - Kindergarten:

"No! I would like to be a doctor because I like to play doctor."

Julia - Grade 5:

"I would not like to be a coal miner, too much work and you get all dirty every day. The wives do a lot more work too. The wife has to cook the meal, get the baths ready, and stuff like that."

Liam - Grade 4:

"I would have liked to be a coal miner so that I could dig for all the coal."

Ely - Grade 5:

"I would not like to have been a coal miner because I would not like to go that far under ground."

When asked what they learned or what their favorite part of the outing was. Students responded...

April - Grade 2:

"I like the time when we got to go up to the lookout on the caboose."

Julia - Grade 5:

"One thing I learned is that leaves make the coal."

*WAVA K-5
October 2008*

Dear Time Traveling Guides;

Who needs Disneyland when we can visit Black Diamond and Franklin? There, we can build a fantasy based in reality.

You folks, and your delightful museum, brought the old days vividly to life. As we traveled the streets and trails, we could "see" the miners, their families and homes; "hear" the clanging of machinery and shriek of whistles; and "feel" the cold damp of tunnels in the earth.

Thank you for a splendid day. We will be back!

Emily Ray





Membership and Renewal Form

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

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Day Phone _____ - _____ - _____

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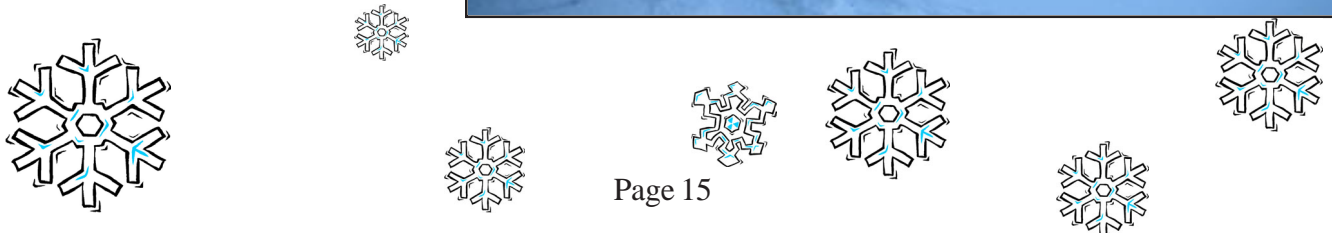
ON THE GROUNDS

Thanks to **Lake Sawyer Christian Church**, the caboose has new paint and newly repaired steps.

We are now having new signs made to replace the old ones that will hang on the sides of the caboose.

As for the white stuff on the ground, well, would you believe we decorated for Christmas by bringing in a bunch of snow? I didn't think so.

Yes, we had a white Christmas this year. In fact we had to do some shoveling for the Christmas Open House, 2 weeks before Christmas!





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