



Hometown  
**CHRISTMAS**  
 In Black Diamond

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The 2017 Hometown Christmas was bright and beautiful with the sun shining and cool frosty air. Activities included a Hay ride, “Frosty” arriving on the fire truck, and then “Santa” arriving on the fire truck, live reindeer from the *Leavenworth Reindeer Farm* with an antique sleigh for Santa to sit in, cookie decorating at the Bakery, goodies at the Smokehouse and More Meat store and Antique Store, caramel corn in festive colors, live music at the Museum with the Steve Israel Band, story-telling and magic for kids at the Museum by the King County Library folks, wreath making at the Eagles, learning how to paint by the Black Diamond Arts Alliance volunteers at the Eagles.

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Santa arrived around 10:30 and posed for pictures by the Reindeer and Christmas tree for a couple of hours before moving to the Bakery where the cookie decorating was taking place with Dorothy Botts

Thanks to all who helped offer this free event for kids, families, and all the community.

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## NEWSLETTER

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.

Black Diamond Newsletter is published quarterly by and for the members of the Black Diamond Historical Society. The society is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. (TIN51-0170304).

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### ARTICLES

Black Diamond Newsletter invites articles for publication. Articles may be edited for style, length, and clarity. Please contact the society if you wish to submit an article, at, [museum@blackdiamondmuseum.org](mailto:museum@blackdiamondmuseum.org) by the last Board meeting of the quarter.

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### HOURS

Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday, 12 to 3 p.m. (winter);  
12 to 4 p.m. (summer)

## NEW VP HAS NEWS TO SHARE

**M**y name is Shawn Oglesbee and I was recently elected as your vice president of the Black Diamond Historical Society. My wife Melissa and I have lived in Black Diamond since 2006 and have been docents for the museum since 2012.

### A MESSAGE from the VICE PRESIDENT



SHAWN  
OGLESBEE

**M**elissa Oglesbee was recently elected as a council member and we both volunteer at many other events and community activities here in town. As vice president, my main focus is on the children. I'm responsible for making sure kids have fun and learn about our history. I work directly with our schools arranging field trips and programs that specifically talk about "*Where You're Standing*".

**I**n this new program we tell stories and have a discussion during field trips to several historical sites throughout Black Diamond and Franklin. These sites may no longer exist but have rich history and a story to tell yet some sites are still around but may not be visited as much. These historic sites are truly waiting for us as we uncover untold stories or remember our favorites.

**A**nother fun addition to our museum is a *scavenger hunt*. This scavenger hunt happened by accident, when a shifty character named *Bart McNutly* hid several items in the museum as he passed through town. During Miners Day in July, Bart comes into town for the festivities and hides priceless and historical treasures he took from unsuspecting people. He hides these in the museum and the museum needs your help finding them. In this newsletter, you will find a scavenger hunt. Kids and parents are encouraged to visit the museum to help find the "*Hidden Treasures of the Past*". There is a reward for completing the scavenger hunt, so please check with a docent when you're finished. If you're having trouble finding them all, a docent will gladly give you a hint.

**H**istory was my least favorite subject in school. Now I find it to be a passionate hobby and as a parent, you can help your child want to learn in a way no one else can. That desire to learn is a key to your child's success, and, of course, enjoyment is an important motivator for learning. Take advantage of visits from grandparents to encourage storytelling about their lives. What was school like for them? What was happening in the country and the world? What games or songs did they like? What were the fads of the day?

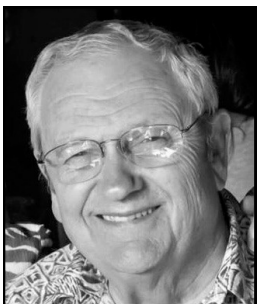
**A**s you choose activities to do with your child, remember that helping them to learn history doesn't mean that you can't have a good time. Come on down to the Black Diamond Museum where you'll find plenty of hands on and brain work activities for the whole family.

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: FALL 2017

2017 was an active time for the Black Diamond Historical Society finishing the year with the "Home Town Christmas" celebration on Railroad Avenue.

Three years ago my wife Judy Watson started with the idea that we could have an event for

## A MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT



KEITH  
WATSON

kids and families celebrating Christmas. It worked with the help from the great volunteers, volunteer groups, business people, and the City. It was a successful undertaking that carried over to this last December with the following interesting activities: Hay ride, "Frosty" arriving on the firetruck, and then "Santa" arriving on the firetruck, live reindeer, cookie decorating at the Bakery, goodies at the Smokehouse and More Meat store and Antique Store, caramel corn in festive colors, live music at the Museum with the Steve Israel Band, story-telling and magic for kids at the Museum by the King County Library folks, wreath making at the Eagles, learning how to paint by the Black Diamond Arts Alliance volunteers at the Eagles.

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Dave Watson repaired and spruced up a light fixture that the Botts family donated from the old hospital, when Dr. Botts was living in the building. It is now hanging in the Doctor's office display and is beautiful.

Black Diamond now has its first round-about located on the Black Diamond-Auburn road. The Oakpointe Ten Trails development is up and running and should be selling homes in 2018.

Roberts Drive has new sidewalks and street lights with new pavement that allows residents a much safer walk and drive on that street.

Congratulations to our members, Mayor Carol Benson and Councilmember Melissa Oglesbee for winning their positions in the Black Diamond government.

4 Culture of King County has continued to support us with grants and the City of Black Diamond continues to help us in maintaining a great relationship with city government.

Thanks to former board members and officers who have helped us and continue to help us as volunteers. You did a wonderful job on the board and we are forever grateful for your outstanding work.

We have a newly elected Vice President Shawn Oglesbee, Treasurer Sherrie Evans, and Secretary Dee Israel who already have made a difference and will do more in the future. Thank you, Alison Stern for your hard work as Membership Chair/Secretary and being so professional and bright, we look forward to working with you in other capacities. Thank you for being you!

Thank you, Leih Mulvihill for the fine work you do as editor of this newsletter. You always use your talent to help get out four newsletters per year. By the way you do have a resemblance to Mrs. Clause that we see at the Community Center and Home Town Christmas. And, thank your husband, Tom for being so jolly.

Joe and Mike Androsko represented the Museum with the firetruck in the Enumclaw parade. The Firetruck was also used to deliver Santa and Frosty to the Community Center and Home Town Christmas. Thank you guys!

Ken Jensen continues to amaze us with his ability to maintain such quality social media products on the blog [www.blackdiamondhistory.wordpress.com](http://www.blackdiamondhistory.wordpress.com) twitter [www.twitter.com/BD\\_History](http://www.twitter.com/BD_History) and Facebook at, [www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/)

# HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS ALBUM

*\*photos contributed by Keith Watson*

BY KEITH WATSON



Crafting at the Eagles



Unknown group of girls pretending to be Rudolph!\*



Bob Dobson & Brenda Evensen, owner of the Antique store. \*



Frosty, Jack & Daddy!\*



Frosty, Keith Watson & Dorothy Botts\*



Grifan Cayce Heathers daughter, Blakley Heathers 3.5yrs, Photo by Karli Goetz 2017



Steve Israel and Fran Wold entertaining the folks with Christmas songs Photo by Bob Dobson 2017



Frosty, Santa & Unknown family\*



# THE BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

BART MCNUTLY

## BART MCNUTLY'S "HIDDEN TREASURES OF THE PAST"

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# Obituaries



**Ralph Richard Banchemo**  
**March 26, 1928 ~ December 6, 2017**

Ralph, 89, passed on peacefully at home after a gradual decline in health. He was cared for by his loving family. Born to Giovanni and Adelina Banchemo in Black Diamond, he was

the youngest of nine children. He grew up on the family farm, which has always been a center of his life. Eventually he moved to Seattle to work at his brother, Ed's, meat market (E&E MEATS) until he retired. Having a gregarious personality, he enjoyed being a salesman and had more friends than we could count.

He was a son, brother, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, and best friend. Loving music and dance, his home was filled with Polka music. One could always count on the 10 minute ride, a daily wake up call at 6 am to ask what you are doing, and his affectionate pulling of ears. When teasing someone, he had a twinkle in his bright blue eyes and his trademark smirk! Generous in spirit and possessions, he was well loved and respected. Also, true to his Italian heritage he made regular trips to Italy visiting family and friends. There was much love shared.

Ralph is survived by five children (and spouses): Lynn, Lori Banchemo, Les Banchemo, Larry Banchemo, and Chris Banchemo; 14 grandchildren, and 25 great grandchildren. His significant other was Eloise Drake and her children Kim Boeringa, Jody Boeringa, Lana Walden and families.

diesel mechanic and much more. If it had an engine he kept it running. Darrell was an unrivaled Operating Engineer with Local Union 612 for 40 years. He worked for such exceptional companies as Tucci & Sons Inc., Looker & Associates, Woodworth & Co. and Site Development Inc.

He was a devoted family man who instilled in his daughters the love of the outdoors and his ardor for fishing. Hundreds of people counted him as their true and loyal friend. Darrell was dedicated to his community, helping at the local community center and the Black Diamond Museum. He was immersed in the Order Of Sons of Italy, keeping the culture of his heritage alive.

His other passions included being a master mechanic, computer guru, master canner, camper extraordinaire, John Wayne's number 1 fan and making sensational homemade Italian sausage. With his astounding sense of humor he found hilarity in simple everyday life.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2017 from Noon to 4pm at the Black Diamond Community Center 31605 3rd Ave. Black Diamond, WA. 98010.

Due to Darrell's significant medical financial hardship, the family requests monetary donations in lieu of cards and flowers. Please make them payable to Sarah Palmer and mail in C/O Black Diamond Community Center, P.O. Box 480 Black Diamond, WA. 98010.

**Elise Red Vandenberg**  
**July 31, 1922 ~ November 30, 2017**



Elsie, 95, passed away November 30, 2017. She was born in Alberta, Canada to Edith and George Rex. They moved to Black Diamond along with sister Mabel Rex where he worked as a coal miner for many years at Palmer Coke and Coal. She was proud to tell every-

one about her being a coal miner's daughter. She and her sister attended Black Diamond schools. When her father died when she was 14, she had to go to work to help support her mother. She went to Seattle to become a Nanny and then an elevator operator and during WWII a riveter at Boeing. Most of her years were as a homemaker.



**Darrell Palmer**  
**May 21, 1955 ~ November 19, 2017**

On November 19, 2017, Darrell Lee Palmer passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, as the angels carried him to Heaven's eternal fishing grounds.

Darrell was the oldest child born to Theodore and Marie (Merlini) Palmer on May 21, 1955. He is survived by: his daughters Rebecca Shaw (Jason), Sarah Palmer, and Toni Palmer; 2 stepchildren; 5 grandchildren; sister Livia (Bill) Ziebarth; and brother Randy Palmer.

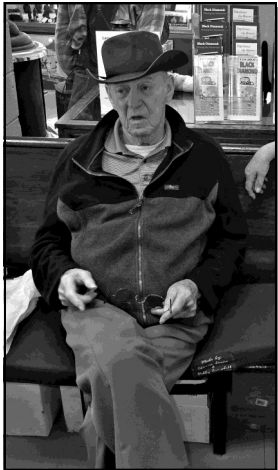
As a young man he worked for Crystal Mountain as a



Her last 10 years were spent in Quincy, WA where her only daughter, Terese Cain and her son in law lived. She had a wonderful spirit and most enjoyed her humor and outspokenness.

She enjoyed coming to the Black Diamond reunions only missing the last two. She outlived most of her friends. She became a lifetime member in 1988.

help. He did help us with painting projects recommending various ways to accomplish each paint job. Where he really shined was sitting at the bench inside the museum and greeting visitors as they came in the door. His specialty was kids, he could get along with them, bond with them and always get a laugh or a smile from them. They did not realize he could hardly see them; he never let his diminishing sight stop him. He was witty and had many stories about Black Diamond and our residents. He was well known by many in Black Diamond and will be missed. (a more formal obit will be in the next newsletter.)



**Tom Daniels**

Tom Daniels passed away this past December just before Christmas; he loved being a docent at the museum. He was married to Katherine who passed away a year before him. He would accompany her to the museum while she worked on the museum garden. Tom was a house painter and was one of the first residents that moved into Black Diamonds Rainer View Housing for seniors. He

was having sight issues and for a painter that did not



**ADORED COMMUNITY MEMBER**

BY DEE ISRAEL

**Lesley Ann Cooley**

January 13, 1966 - November 15, 2017



Leslie, 51, was born January 13, 1966 on Capitol Hill. The family moved to Bainbridge Island when Leslie was in preschool and she grew up there. She graduated from Bainbridge High School and was a member of the choir where she developed her love of singing. She

later attended Seattle University. She is survived by her father Bill Cooley and brother Jim Cooley.

Leslie joined the Bainbridge Island Assembly and served as Worthy Advisor, she was the Grand Representative of Rhode Island in 1983 and was initiated in Eastern Star in 1984. She served as a Mother Advisor and served on the board as secretary and treasurer. In Eastern Star she served as Worthy Matron twice, Dresden Star Deputy Instructor and as the Grand Representative of Kansas 2016-2018.

Leslie was a founding member and Director of Administration/Secretary for Haunted and was instrumental in creating the non-profit. Her grandfather was a key figure in the creation of Royal Arch Park. She designed the infrastructure that helped make the Haunted organization a success. Leslie loved the Park and Haunted Forest immensely.

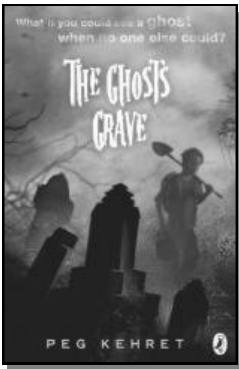
Amidst her breast cancer fight, Leslie became involved with Komen Puget Sound where she was a member of the Pink Princess Power team and beloved by many. Leslie was also involved in the Black Diamond Community, her Stampin'Up group, Black Diamond Labor Days and cherished by her friends and neighbors both at home and at CHI Franciscan.

Leslie did all things with her wit, organizational talents, keen intellect and devotion to those around her. She was an integral part of every organization she touched and we are forever grateful for the mark she made on the world around her.



# BOOKMARKS AND LANDMARKS JR.

BY KEITH WATSON



“*Bookmarks and Landmarks, Jr.*” is a program in partnership with the King County Library System to encourage kids to read and explore landmarks.

The Black Diamond Historical Society/Museum will feature the idea of reading the book “*The Ghost’s Grave*” by Peg Kehret. This book

features a 12-year-old Josh who expects a summer spent in Carbon City, Washington with a great-aunt he has never met, to be the dullest summer of his life. When he meets the ghost of a coal miner who wants Josh to dig up his leg bones and rebury them with the rest of his body, Josh begins to realize that the summer will be more exciting than he ever imagined.

Registration starts Friday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the

library. Children and the adults attending with them must register, as space is limited. Please place a copy of the book on hold through your library. Age 8 and over.

*The Book: “The Ghost’s Grave”*- get it from the King County Library.

## *The Landmark*

Meet at the Black Diamond Museum April 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 am for an orientation slide show and discussion about “*The Ghost’s Grave*” book. Enjoy the scavenger hunt in the Museum, locomotive, cabooses, and mine display. Fill out a “hold harmless safety agreement” before caravanning by car to the 1880’s coal mining ghost town of Franklin. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for a 1-mile hike uphill to the coal mine.

*There is no charge for this fun event.*

# BDHS DESIGN COMMITTEE

BY DEE ISRAEL

As Design Committee Chair, I would like to thank the Design Committee of Howard & Dorothy Botts, Gomer Evans, Sherrie Evans, Don Mason, Elsie Parkin, Alison Stern, Susie Thompson, Dave Watson, Judy & Keith Watson; as well

as Mike Chilcott, Steve Israel & Shawn Oglesbee with helping in the designing and work that has been done in the rearrangement of many of the museum’s artifacts. We have had many compliments on what has been done so far, and since this is a

work-in-progress, this is just the beginning of what will be accomplished as time goes on. For you members that haven’t seen these changes, be sure to stop by and give us your opinion (and/or lend a helping hand).

# BDHS ELECTION RESULTS

BY DEE ISRAEL

## **BDHS Board Officers & Directors Election Results** **Term November 1, 2017 thru** **October 31, 2019**

Thank you to the Nominating/Election Chair (Dee Israel) and Committee (Carol Benson, Susie Thompson & Janie Edelman) for taking time out of busy schedules to getting this election completed and

the votes tabulated.

At the time of the election, the newly elected Board Members are: President Keith Watson, Vice President Shawn Oglesbee, Treasurer Sherrie Evans, Secretary Dee Israel and the Directors are Howard Botts, Gomer Evans, Steve Israel, Don Mason, Clayton Mead, Elsie Parkin, Susie Thompson, and Dave Watson.

Since the election, Clayton Mead sent President Keith Watson a letter of resignation and the Board has appointed Rosemary Konoske-Bigelow as interim Director in his spot.

Congratulation to each of you on being elected/appointed to the Black Diamond Historical Society Board.



# DONATIONS

We wish to thank the following for their generous donations during the 4th qtr 2016 to the Black Diamond Historical Society.



## MEMORIAL DONATIONS

### In Memory Of..

#### Keith Timm JR by

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Joe & Eileen Zumek  
Paula Ordonez

#### Herb Barnside by

Byron & Janie Parkinson

#### James "Rusty" Holder by

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#### Phil Unick, by

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#### Ken Unick, by

Byron & Janie Parkinson

#### Elsie Rex Vandenberg, by

Teresa Cain

#### Joan Zita, by

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### HOME TOWN CHRISTMAS *Reindeer* FUND

Judy Watson  
Carol Benson  
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Black Diamond Antiques  
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The Cenex  
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& an anonymous donor.

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Virginia Olsen  
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Karen Philips, Senior Center Program Coordinator, Redmond, WA



*Thank you, City of Black Diamond for the Operations support!*



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# WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

BY DEE ISRAEL, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

## New members

Michael Chilcott  
J. Ric Pierce  
Thomas R. & Mary L. Ehlis  
The Carnino Family

*If you do not see your name on the list below or the previous issue, we have not received your Dues. Please send in ASAP or follow up with the Membership Chairman and/or Treasurer. Thank you!*

## Members:

The Black Diamond Historical Society now has 266 members.

We would like to thank the following members for renewing their memberships this quarter.

Hazella Peterson  
Stephen & Lori Metschan  
Susan T. Askey  
Eileen Wyke  
Elizabeth Deady  
Kay Traverso  
Palmer Coking Coal Co.  
Troy Deady  
Judy Salome

Dave & Janet McCrindle  
Dahni & Peter Logar  
Rev. Dennis & Deborah Stebly  
Bonnie Bingham & family  
C. Herrera  
Dick & Tonia Hansen  
Amy George  
Richard Major  
Steve Fontana

B. Carnino  
C. Falk  
R. Wayne & Pat Frantz  
CCD Black Diamond Partners  
Lee Bossom  
Nils A. & Lois N. Ladderud

## Presidents Message *cont. from page 3*

[blackdiamondhistory](http://blackdiamondhistory) Thanks Ken!

Robert Dobson, our photographer, continues to show his work on Facebook every Tuesday with outstanding photos of items and folks from around here. This fellow is a true artist and is appreciated by all of us for the work he does.

Look at our remodeled Web site [www.blackdiamondmuseum.org](http://www.blackdiamondmuseum.org)

where you can find news about the Society and Museum. Are you interested in the **railroad trains** that used to service Black Diamond and the coal communities? Look at the power point presentation "Smoke to Steam" for great pictures and information. Also see copies of our newsletters going back to the beginning of the Society in 1976.

Look for another article in the newsletter titled "Bookmarks and Landmarks Junior" for a new

get-the-kids-involved project we are starting in April.

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas and have a very Happy New Year.

*Keith Watson,  
BDHS President*



## Vice Presidents Message *cont. from page 2*

We continue to have a need for greeters at the museum on the weekends. Please consider helping us. It's only one day a month and the conversations you'll have will stay with you for a lifetime.

*Shawn Olgesbee  
BDHS Vice President*



**Membership and Renewal Form**  
**(Renewals due August 1st each year)**



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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Annual Individual	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual Family	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual Business	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Lifetime Family	\$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Total Enclosed	\$ _____	

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**Historical Society**  
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**Black Diamond, WA 98010**

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*For our records, on all checks please note purpose of check. (Dues, Donation, Memorial, etc.)*

(Museum Use Only) Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Posted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (rev. 08/01/14)

**717**

*Number of guests  
 visiting the  
 museum during  
 4th Quarter of  
 2017*

# Be Our Guest

*by Dee Israel*

There were visitors from **14 States**: North Pole Alaska, California, Florida, Idaho, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin; as well as Washington. There were also people visiting from other Countries, such as Australia, China, Germany & Netherlands.

## Comments

- ◆ Thank you for the trip down memory lane.
- ◆ Amazing – Great work by all – Thanks.
- ◆ Great museum – Volunteers are very friendly & knowledgeable.
- ◆ Love the richness of the history.
- ◆ Keeps getting better & better.
- ◆ Wonderful museum – Great community effort.
- ◆ Lovely people.
- ◆ Great Education.
- ◆ I seen things I never got to see.
- ◆ Nice set-up – Thank you.
- ◆ A lot of good history.



## NEWSLETTER

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## BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY/ MUSEUM CALENDAR 2018



**Jan 6<sup>th</sup> Sat 12pm – 3pm Museum  
opens for 2018**

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat 10am Tour of Ghost  
Town Franklin**

**April 7<sup>th</sup> Sat 10am Tour of Ghost  
Town Franklin**

**April 22<sup>nd</sup> Sun 1pm General Member-  
ship Meeting**

**April 28<sup>th</sup> Sat 10am Bookmarks and  
Landmarks Jr.**

**June 6<sup>th</sup> Wed 11am School Reunion  
at BD Community Center**

**June 9<sup>th</sup> Sat Welsh Founders Day  
12pm – 4pm**

**July 7<sup>th</sup> Sat Miners Day 9am – 4pm**

**Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon Labor Day Events**

**Sept 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Fri – Sat Christmas in  
Sept 10am-4pm**

**Oct 21<sup>st</sup> Sun General Membership  
Meeting 1pm-3pm**

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup> Sat Hometown Christmas  
10am – 3pm**

**Dec 15 thru Jan 4th Museum Closed  
for Holidays**

**Jan 5<sup>th</sup> Sat 12pm – 3pm Museum  
opens for 2019**

***Board Meetings are monthly on the  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6pm in Museum***