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WHO LAID THOSE RUSTY RAILS?

BY WILLIAM KOMBOL

This spring photographer Bob Dobson stumbled upon a short section of railroad hidden amongst a dense forest near Lake Sawyer. He took a photo that inspired a question: “Who laid these rusty rails?”

Little did he know the answer is the story behind the men who founded Black Diamond.

Since 1861, the Black Diamond Coal Mining Company of Nortonville, California, had been extracting a low grade of coal and selling most of it in San Francisco, 35 miles to the southwest. San Francisco’s population had quadrupled since 1860. The growing city needed energy—lots of it.

The company sent Victor Tull to the Green River region of Washington Territory to find a better grade of coal. In July 1880 Tull located a seam just above a lake in section 14, two miles west of the Green River. The area was wilderness covered by an old-growth forest. A few Indian trails might be found but there were no roads, homes, or settlements. It was virgin country unreachable except by foot or horseback.

B.B. Jones was dispatched to the site in the fall of 1881 to open a prospect tunnel. Jones Lake in section 14 now bears his name. The following spring Victor Tull shipped 880 pounds of coal to San Francisco for testing. The successful results prompted mine superintendent Morgan Morgans and company president Pierre Barlow Cornwall to head north to confirm these reports.

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PHOTO Top Left -“Rusty Rails” photo by Robert Dobson, April 2018 PHOTO Top right - A PCRR passenger train at the Black Diamond Depot (now home to the Black Diamond Museum) headed towards Franklin. This circa 1915-1920 photo comes courtesy of the Pacific Northwest Railroad Archives in Burien. Photo # WWAPC0246.



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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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RUSTY RAILS

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The coal prospect was situated among tall stands of timber that could support an underground mine's workings and lumber for homes and buildings. The Black Diamond Coal Mining Company decided to acquire the property, open a mine, and build a town. The town's name would be the same as the company's: Black Diamond.

Only one thing was missing—a railroad to transport men and machinery to open the mine and trains to haul coal to port.

Meanwhile the growing city of Seattle had its own needs. Stung by the Northern Pacific (NP) Railway's decision to establish its West Coast terminus in Tacoma, the entrepreneurs of Seattle decided to build its own railroad. The Seattle & Walla Walla Railroad reached Renton in 1877 and later Newcastle, but no farther.

The venture failed in 1880 and was purchased by Henry Villard's Oregon Improvement Company (OIC) and renamed the Columbia & Puget Sound (C&PS). Villard also gained control of the NP through a famous blind pool on the stock exchange, thereby developing a monopoly over Northwest transportation.

Around the same time, Bailey Willis, a prospector working for NP, found a coal exposure along the Green River of the same seam that Tull had uncovered in Black Diamond. Willis named the coal seam McKay and the town that sprung up around it was named Franklin.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bailey_Willis 1897

Empowered by NP's land grant to every odd section of land, OIC finagled control of section 19 on the Green River and assumed ownership of Franklin. The coal, however, would still need to be shipped on someone's railroad.

Morgans and Cornwall needed the C&PS rail line extended from Renton up the Cedar River valley to Black Diamond. They struck a deal with Villard and railroad construction began in 1882. The narrow-gauge railroad reached Black Diamond on December 12, 1884, and then connected to Franklin.

The extension took more than two years to complete, mostly with Chinese labor who lived in a settlement on Jones Lake. An 1885 census showed the majority of 175 laborers to be Chinese, but they departed shortly after the railroad was completed.

Coal was shipped from Black Diamond in April 1885 and Franklin shortly thereafter. In time branch lines were extended to Taylor (coal and clay tiles), Bruce (coal), Lawson (coal), and Kummer (coal and clay).

Strikes, mine disasters, and the Panic of 1893

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: SPRING 2018

Yes, your society has been busy keeping History Alive

A secret kept and a very deserved award:

Gomer Evans has lived in the town and City of Black Diamond forever. He was at one time the

A MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT



KEITH
WATSON

City Mayor, after being a councilman, watching over the citizens of Black Diamond making sure everything went well. He continues to do the same thing working at the museum as a board member and special project manager. He's involved in most city functions and specializes in getting projects done. Gomer lives in the house he grew up in which is the only house on his block. A citizen petition was presented to Mayor Carol Benson which she in turn proposed to the City Council to "change the name of Gomers street". How do you keep something like this a surprise and a secret? Imagine all the people at the Council meeting keeping it a secret and all the people who signed the petition keeping it a secret.

A special meeting was called at the museum to discuss other items and Gomer attended sitting up front in the auditorium. Behind Gomer; his relatives quietly gathered; and Mayor Benson asked Gomer to

come up front where she presented him with a street sign:

GOMER EVANS JR DR

The secret worked; he was completely surprised and very grateful.



Coal Mining Ghost Town of Franklin tours:

For years we have hosted tours of Franklin in Feb. & March. This year we decided to hold them in March and April with a very good turn-out. March attendees, with good weather, was around 250 and April's turn-out, with not so good of weather, was around 70 people. It is a large ordeal to put these tours on with many volunteers working the presentation. Don Mason, the honorary mayor of Franklin, has spearheaded the tours for almost 40 years. He has a troupe of helpers who work with the attendees at the museum during sign-in and safety messages and then the group follows Dave Watson's green truck, with yellow rotating light, caravanning about 3 miles to Franklin. Then the walking and education sessions begin with volunteers holding up very large black & white photos of what the coal mining town of Franklin looked like in the past. The town

site is a beautiful place to visit and is owned by private individuals, Palmer Coking Coal Co., and the Washington State Parks Department. We offer special tours of Franklin during the year. This year was no exception when we offered tours to the surrounding city officials and staffs which was well attended and then a special tour for the Black Diamond Elementary School 3rd grade classes. The 3rd graders visit the museum every year in June and then the next Friday tour Franklin.

Historical Award:

When the Historical Society receives an award from the Association of King County Historical Organizations, "ARCHO", it really means something. We thank ARCHO for the "Long Term Project Award" for the Societies long term Franklin tours. I thank all the wonderful volunteers who have made this possible through the years and an especial thanks to Don Mason, Franklins Mayor, who has spear headed the tours for so many years. Congratulations!

Landmarks & Bookmarks Jr.:

The concept to work with the King County Library in their "Landmarks & Bookmarks Jr." is brilliant. Find a book for kids that involves history such as Landmarks. Have the kids check out the book at the Library; read it and then go on a field trip to a Land-

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eventually sent the Oregon Improvement Company into bankruptcy, pulling its sister company, Columbia & Puget Sound Railroad, along with it. In 1897, those pieces to the puzzle were reorganized into the new Pacific Coast Company, combining a coal subsidiary, Pacific Coast Coal; a shipping concern, Pacific Coast Steamship; and the C&PS rail line, under one corporate umbrella. That same year narrow-gauge rails were replaced by standard gauge allowing C&PS freight to easily transfer to other lines.

Within the next few years the Pacific Coast Coal arm of the conglomerate would acquire the Black Diamond and Lawson mines, adding to existing operations in Franklin and Newcastle. Eventually its reach would include mines in Issaquah and Burnett.

The C&PS was renamed the Pacific Coast Railroad (PCRR) in 1916. At its height PCRR track spanned 55 miles throughout the Seattle area.

As mines began to close branch railroads were no longer needed. The Lawson branch of PCRR was the first to be abandoned in 1918; Bruce in 1922; followed by the Kummer branch's closure in 1931; Franklin (renamed Pacosco) in 1934; the Newcastle line shortened to Kenndale in 1934; and the Taylor branch discontinued in 1945.

By 1948, the PCRR had been reduced to one line running from Black Diamond through Maple Valley and Renton to Seattle.

PCRR continued operating until 1951 when it merged into the Great Northern Railway. In September 1958, a Great Northern locomotive was commissioned to pull several passenger cars to Black Diamond, as part of an excursion by model railway conventioners from Seattle.

April 1969 saw one of the last trains leave Palmer Coking Coal Company's Mine #11 facility in Black Diamond with a load of coal destined for the University of Washington. On March 3, 1970, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad; the Great Northern; and the Northern Pacific merged to become Burlington Northern Railroad.

The rail line remained operational until September 22, 1970, when the last train left Black Diamond. The spur from Henry's Switch to

Black Diamond was not officially abandoned until 1982. Maple Valley saw its final train pass through town March 15, 1980, when the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad abandoned its Pacific Extension.

Most of the tracks and ties along the remaining lines were removed in the early 1980s. The repurposing of railroad ties for landscaping and rail for scrap metal was a good business during those years.

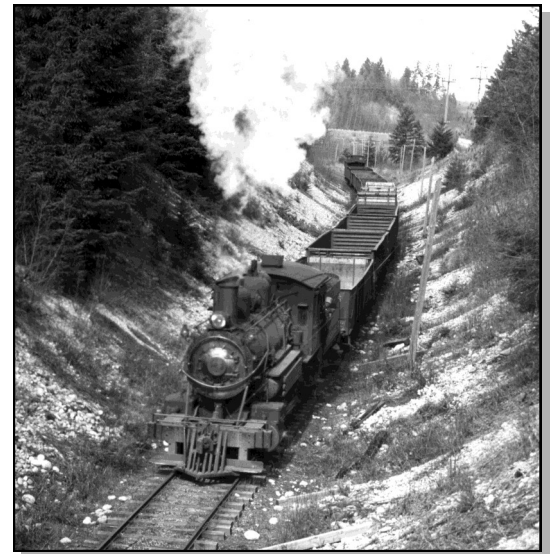
Most portions of the right of way were owned "fee simple" by the railroad and those segments were acquired by King County Parks as part of a national rails-to-trails program. Some segments reverted to adjacent landowners following abandonment.

In time much of the former rail route between Renton and Black Diamond became the popular Cedar River Trail, with future plans to extend it south to Flaming Geyser on the Green River.

One section of historic railroad, however, was left untouched—covered by decades of vegetation. This small part of the line remains in Black Diamond. Its parcel was acquired by Plum Creek Timber as part of the breakup of Burlington Northern into railroad, timber, development, and mineral divisions.

Whether by inattention, bureaucratic lapse, or luck, that short span remains intact—a 135-year-old time capsule embodying the blood, sweat, and tears that brought Black Diamond and Franklin to life.

On a spring day, Bob Dobson discovered that even rusty rails have a story to tell.



A PCRR locomotive pulling empty coal cars towards Black Diamond. This 1944 photo by Harold Hill comes courtesy of the Pacific Northwest Railroad Archives in Burien. Photo # WWAPC0144.

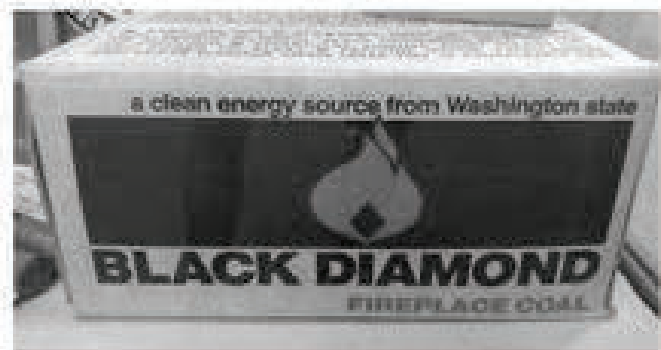


THE BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

Bart McNutley

BART MCNUTLY'S "HIDDEN TREASERS OF THE PAST"

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.



Obituaries



Barbara Beebe Shane
September 20, 1938-February 2018

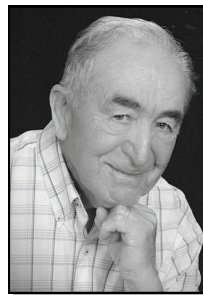
Barbara Beebe Shane, age 79, went to be with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on February 7, 2018 after a short bout with cancer that ended

mercifully in Kalispell, Montana where she lived with her daughter Debby and family. She was born September 20, 1938 to Ray Hammond and Grace Linderman Beebe in Lincoln, Nebraska. Soon after her birth, the family moved to Hastings, Nebraska where Ray was the manager of the Hastings airport and instructor of students. She had an older brother, David, and a younger sister, Betty. In 1940, her beloved dad was killed on an airplane training flight. David passed away in 1944 and the family moved to Southern California to live near Barbara's grandparents. Barbara graduated from Inglewood High School then Pepperdine College with a degree in Physical Education in 1960.

During college, she met Bill Shane whom she later married in 1960. Barbara taught PE at Granada Hills Junior High in California for 3 years. Then she and Bill moved to Enumclaw, WA to live near his family. This is where she lived for the next 54 years. She and Bill had 3 daughters – Susan, Cindy and Debby. As a single Mom, Barbara was a Girl Scout leader and then accepted a job with Totem Girl Scout Council as a Field Representative. Barbara became very involved in the community: Girls Club House Board; President of the Enumclaw Arts Commission and the Enumclaw Music Teachers Association. She also served on the Life Committee that helped remodel the High School Auditorium. Then, in 1985, she opened Enumclaw Music where she sold instruments, music and supplies for 27 years. She loved working with the teachers in the Enumclaw area and taught many piano students from 1983 until 2017. This was one of her favorite roles in her life and one that impacted dozens of students, giving her the opportunity to get to know so many people and families while sharing a love of music. Another passion was her facilitation of a Christian support group for single men and women at

The Summit Church for 20 years. Her faith in Jesus Christ made her an inspiration to many, and she shared her father's gift of making each of her many friends feel special. Additionally, she enjoyed playing piano and forming treasured bonds with Sarah Vanvegten (violin) and Annette Kruzic (cello), in the Plateau Piano Trio which performed for weddings, receptions and church events. Barb was also an experienced accompanist, playing for the EHS Choirs for 3 years and many soloists at district and state competitions. She continued to accompany the Thunder Mtn. Choir until she moved to Kalispell in 2017.

Barbara leaves behind daughters Susan Denise Shane of Bellingham, Cindy (Donald) Boose of Bellingham, Debby (Joey) Gardner of Kalispell; Grandchildren Vanessa (Luke) Stibbs, Adrianna Boose, Brittany Boose, Courtney Boose, Caleb Gardner, Josiah Gardner, Jonathan Gardner, David Gardner and Jeremiah Gardner; sister Betty (Larry) Jones of Seattle and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents Ray and Grace Beebe and her brother David.



Frank Fosnacht
June 11, 1931 – March 29, 2018

Frank, 86, was born to Francis and Agnes (Lund) Fosnacht in Black Diamond, Wash., June 11, 1931, and peacefully passed away March 29, 2018. He lived in Rochester, Wash., most of his life and graduated from Rochester High School in 1949.

Frank joined the United States Navy in 1951, and served as an electronics technician during the Korean War until 1955. In 1956, he married his first wife and they had four children, Michael, Kimball, Jodi and Andrew.

In 1973, Frank purchased C.C. Jones' lumber company on 173rd Avenue, then moved the company to its current location on Sargent Road in Rochester, renaming it Rochester Lumber. He sold the company to his children in 1997, when he retired.

Frank married Rebecca "Becky" Coverdell in 1999. They became world travelers, fishing and golfing wherever they could. Spending time with their grandchildren, however, was the highlight of their lives. Watching their grandchildren's participation in baseball, soccer, football, wrestling, track and cheerleading, occupied much of their spare time. He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Centralia.

Frank is survived by his spouse, Becky; two sons, Michael Fosnacht and Kimball Fosnacht (Kellie); two daughters, Jodi Fosnacht Valenza (Jeff) and Sueann Coverdell Hopkins (Dave); daughter-in-law, Kerri Fosnacht (Andrew); 23 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Fred Fosnacht (Michele); sister, Agnes Cross (Al); niece, Mary Webb; and several cousins.

The family would like to give special thanks to the owner and staff of My Blue Heaven, Centralia and the Assured Home Health Hospice for the loving care they gave to Frank.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Frank's name be sent to the Assured Home Health and Hospice Foundation, 222 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA, 98531.



Michael E. Smith
April 5, 1940 - June 6, 2018

Mike loved life with a passion, loved his family and friends unconditionally, and had a heart as big as the world. He fought each day to live life to the fullest, and despite his health issues it never stopped his zest for life

and living each moment with joyful determination until Jesus called him home on June 6, 2018. He is now free of his earthly body and at peace in the arms of Jesus. Born on April 5, 1940 in San Francisco, Mike had many fond memories of growing up in Hayward, CA, graduat-

ing from Hayward HS Class 1957, and from San Jose State with a degree in engineering. He spent his career working as a Quality Control Engineer in the marine systems and defense fields. Mike has lived in Gig Harbor, WA the past 37 years, a place he loved and made so many memories.

Passionately devoted to his family and with a heart full of love, Mike was a giving, caring, nurturing husband, father, and brother, who fought fiercely these past 14 years for each day to be with them. He is survived by his wife, Cyndi, his soul mate throughout these past 35 years. Passionately devoted to each other, they persevered as a team to meet the challenges of his health while looking for God's light and guidance to treasure each moment they were together.

Mike is also survived by a daughter whom he adored and was the light of his life, Stacy Smith (Jim Sturgis), of Chico, CA, and a son he was so proud of and loved beyond words, Erik Brand of Seattle, WA. He is also survived by his sister, Ann-Marie Steig of San Leandro, CA, with whom he had a special bond throughout his life and who will be forever in his heart; a special part of the family, Benito Solano; and especially his loving extended family.

Thank you for all the compassion, care, help, and friendship given to Mike throughout his life. It meant the world to both Mike and Cyndi. A memorial service in Mike's honor was held at the United Methodist Church in Gig Harbor on Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Multi-Care Health Foundation or a local humane society or animal rescue of your choice. To see his full life story, please visit www.havenrest.com.

Mike and Cundi became members of the Black Diamond Historical Society in January 2007. They thoroughly enjoyed coming to the programs and entertainment that the museum has had during that time.

PRESIDENT Continued from page 7 mark or Landmarks that blend with the book. Barbara McMichael with South County Culture approached us with this project and we were very interested in being involved. After a few meetings with King County Librarian Gretchen Nelson she introduced us to the book the kids would be reading. It had to do with a ghost coal miner and is titled "The Ghost's Grave" by Peg Kehret. Please see the article by Sherrie Evans in this issue of the newsletter for more details. Speaking of Sherrie Evans; I believe we need to call her "Spark-plug" as she is so organized and full of new ideas and always fun to work with. She is an inspiration to us all! Our Vice President Shawn Oglesbee has a special way with kids and he turned on his charm for them at the museum as well as at the landmarks. The kids

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just love him!

General Membership Meetings:

We hold two General membership meetings a year; one at the end of April and the other at end of October. We hold a short business meeting and then have entertainment or a presentation for the attendees along with homemade goodies. This April we were entertained by Steve Israel's band with Fran Wold on the mandolin and Steve singing his original songs about the coal mining industry and towns. Steve is the sole author and writer of the music and has created a CD of his songs which is available at the museum for \$15. Thanks, Steve.

Green River College Visits:

We hosted two groups from the Green River Collage at the museum. One group was exchanged students from Denmark and the other group was made up with of older students interested in our history. Some of the second group went on the Franklin tour in April. We also hosted a history class from Auburn Highschool. It is a pleasure to host these folks and I want to thank the volunteers who make this possible and commend them on the outstanding job that they do.

Museum Displays and Design:

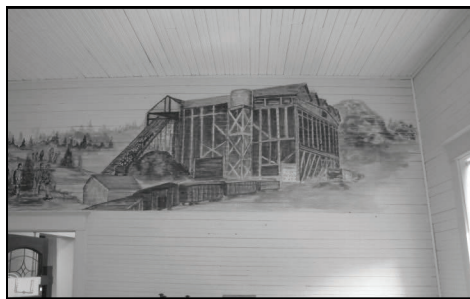
For several years Dee Israel and her Design Committee have been working at up scaling the displays and design of the museum. The changes come slowly because of the need for volunteers to accomplish the work. The results have been wonderful, we thank Dee and her assistants for their dedicated ideas and work. This year we have modernized and painted and installed new flooring in the office, and kitchen area, and created a new work room for the archivist Dave

Watson with new tools for him to work with. We have also modernized and painted the store room. Many people have been involved by rolling up their sleeves and working hard. The floors and have been installed by Jim O'Rourke who has used his carpenter skills during the renovation. Mike Chilcott beside helping with floor installation also has done the huge job of painting the walls and ceilings and hanging pictures.

Murals by artist Mira Hoke:

Way back when a project was put into place to create a Coal Miners' Honor Garden a concept mural was made by Mira Hoke depicting the memorial wall, the bronze miners' statue, the memorial bricks, and memorial benches; this was placed on the area where the Garden was to be built. It is still on the museum grounds, in good shape, installed on the back of the jail building. It showed people what the area would look like and helped us in raising funds to accomplish our goal for the area.

We liked the mural then and now and have asked Mira to create murals inside the museum. Here is a peak of the first mural, not yet finished, but looking good. You can see this any time the museum is open; and I think you will agree it is outstanding.



Thanks Mira, you are an outstanding artist and wonderful friend of the city and the museum.

Flag Day June 14th:

The museum and society proudly show the flag of the United States of America each day on our 27 foot flag pole. This year on flag day we flew even more flags by installing flags on each barrier post along the Honor garden. We are proud of our heritage and our country.

Welsh Heritage Day:

Another successful turn-out for Welsh Heritage Day with Guest Speaker Alan Upshall (a native of Wales) giving a great presentation, many conversations, and especially good eating treats. Thanks to all who made this possible.

Black Diamond School Reunion:

Held at the Eagles hall across the street from the museum with over a hundred attendees. Joe Androsko was the MC and Rosemary Konoske/Bigalow was chair of the reunion committee. Everybody had a wonderful time and the food was also good.

Old Newsletters are available:

Find them on our web site which address is located elsewhere in this newsletter. They go back to the beginning in 1976 and fun to read.

Have a wonderful summer and maybe we will see you at Miners Day, Labor Day, or Hometown Christmas.

*Keith Watson
President*



HIGHLIGHTING A COUPLE OF VOLUNTEERS

BY KEITH WATSON

HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS SPAGHETTI DINNER/DANCE FUNDRAISER

BY SHERRI EVANS

I'm going to highlight some of our volunteers in each newsletter. Dorothy and Howard Botts have been volunteering at the museum since its inception in 1975-76. Howard has been on the board of directors ever since and been docent once a month for years. He is the former mayor of Black Diamond and is very dedicated to keeping history alive. Dorothy has always been full of great ideas for the activities of the museum and is a great cook and baker helping supply many good items of food for the volunteers and guests at the museum. The two of them celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 12, 2018 and in my mind are Mr. & Mrs. Black Diamond. They care about the city and its direction and welfare. We salute you both!



The Hometown Christmas Committee is raising funds to support all of the Children's *free* events at Hometown Christmas on December 8th.

The free events for kids include face painting, art projects, wreath making, cookie decorating, popcorn, hot cocoa, Frosty, Santa and Mrs. Santa and stop/talk with Black Diamond police and fire and library.

There will be some wonderful Raffle items available and we can also accept general donations if you are not able to attend. Send your donations to Black Diamond Historical Society, PO Box 232, Black Diamond, WA 98010. Thank you!

September 15, 2018, 4:30 – 10:30 PM

Black Diamond Eagles Hall

Kids under 5 fee, \$15 all others



BDHS DESIGN COMMITTEE

BY DEE ISRAEL

Some time ago, I came up with the idea that to best display all the wonderful artifacts that the Black Diamond Historical Society museum has, the main floor of the museum should be considered residential, (displaying artifacts that would have been in homes) and the basement would be businesses of a typical town. The Board felt that was a good idea and the Design Team was born. Thru the BDHS newsletter we will share with you what is happening, and hope it will entice you to come visit. We will start with some of our earlier projects and each quarter we will share with you the next step of what has taken place.



LAUNDRY

The first project was to move the sewing machines from the main floor to the basement, (placing them next to the washing machines and laundry facilities).



SEWING & SPINNING



THE NEW KITCHEN DISPLAY

Next, in looking at the Country Kitchen, (on the main floor) we decided it needed more display area. We purchased a couple of tall shelving units and placed them next to the emergency exit door, anchored them with earthquake straps, filled them with artifacts and screwed Plexiglas to the front to discourage touching & taking.

We hope you get a chance to come to the BDHS Museum soon, to view (in person) the upgrades that are being done by the Design Team (with help of several museum volunteers).



THE ORIGINAL KITCHEN

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

By DEE ISRAEL, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

WELCOME MEMBERS – 2nd Quarter 2018
By Dee Israel, Membership Chair

The Black Diamond Historical Society now has 261 memberships.

DON'T FORGET - Your Annual Membership is due by August 1st.

Renewed Memberships:

Stacey Chisam
Lois Darby
Thomas & Mary Ehlis
Rose Vetter
Allen County Public Library

New Memberships:

Richard Lee Kirby
Jim O'Rourke
Llynda Peters
Black Gold Coffee Co.



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



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Jack & Pauline Kombol, by William & Jennifer Kombol
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*Thank you, City of Black Diamond for the
Operations support!*



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



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Annual Family	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual Business	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Other Donation	\$ _____	
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*Number of guests
visiting the
museum during
2nd Quarter of
2018*

Be Our Guest

by Dee Israel

There were visitors from **13 States**: Alaska, Arizona, California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, Utah; as well as Washington. There were also people visiting from other Countries, such as Canada, England, Mexico and United Kingdom.

Comments

- ◆ Fascinating museum, with great volunteers.
- ◆ Really fun & interesting.
- ◆ Educational & informative.
- ◆ Impressive, love it.
- ◆ Thanks for the memories.
- ◆ Love the history.
- ◆ Awesome! What a wonderful find.
- ◆ Enjoyed it very much.
- ◆ So pleased to be here.
- ◆ Very nice, lots to see, great variety.
- ◆ Great trip with the Book-
- ◆ marks & Landmarks program.
- ◆ This place is amazing. Thanks for sharing.
- ◆ Love it all! Great history.
- ◆ Great displays.



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BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY/ MUSEUM CALENDAR 2018



July 7th Sat Miners Day 9am – 4pm

July 17th Tues Hometown Christmas Meeting 6pm

Aug 14th Hometown Christmas Committee Meeting 6pm

Sept 3rd Mon Labor Day Events

**Sept 15th Sat – Spaghetti Feed
4:30 - 10:30pm**

Sept 18th Hometown Christmas Committee Meeting 6pm

Oct 16th Hometown Christmas Committee Meeting 6pm

Oct 21st Sun General Membership Meeting 1 - 3pm

**Dec 8th Sat Hometown Christmas
10am – 3pm**

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

**Jan 5th Sat 12pm – 3pm Museum
opens for 2019**

***Board Meetings are monthly on
the 4th Thursday at 6pm in Mu-
seum***