

## BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY JANUARY 2010 PO BOX 566 Big Horn WY 82833

ALONG THE BOZEMAN TRAIL

JAN 2010

# The History of the Sheridan

#### Drum & Bugle Corp

January 24 Sunday Program

Conrad Namvedt will be presenting the history of the Sheridan Drum and Bugle Corp. They are preparing to perform this summer in Philadelphia PA for the July 4th celebration.

The 7th Cavalry Drum and Bugle Corps is attached to the American Legion Post #7 in Sheridan, Wyoming. It was founded in 1929 with T. T. Tynan. The original members, attired in their World War I uniforms. In 1954 the Wyoming Congressional Delegation supported a bill in the US Congress to allow the 7th Cavalry Drum and Bugle Corps of Sheridan to wear the 1876 uniform of 7th Cavalry and to carry the pennant of George Armstrong Custer and the 7th Cavalry. The Legislation passed, and the unit made its debut in their new uniforms, right down to the leather gauntlets, cavalry hats, and neckerchiefs, on June 25, 1954 at the 78th Anniversary of Custer's Last Stand.



7th Cavalry Drum and Bugle Corps at Sheridan Inn, Sheridan Wyoming. At Right is General George Armstrong Custer. His favorite tune was Garryowen, which the Drum and Bugle Corps plays with exuberance. It was originally an Irish drinking tune.





# BHCHS usually MEETS THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH: NEXT MEETING DATE JAN 24, 2010

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#### @ Ip.m. BH Woman's CLUB—Carry In Lunch for Members with Program to follow.

Program is open to the public—those wishing to come just for the program should be in attendance by 1:50 PM.

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SET UP AT 11:30 : Bob & Colleen Rolston & Judy Slack

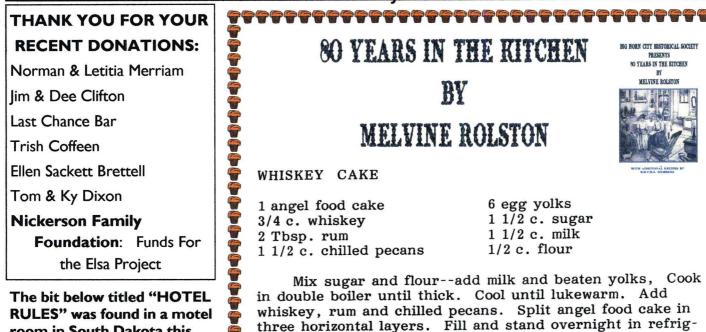


CLEAN UP : John & Pat Best and Meshelle Powell



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**RULES**" was found in a motel room in South Dakota this past November. (I found the photo on the internet.) Enjoy!

#### HOTEL RULES

- 1. Do not bathe your dog in the bathtub.
- 2. Do not use hotel towels to dry your dog.
- 3. If your dog whimpers, bays, yips, cries or barks, he will be removed at your expense to the local pound. Yes, this town does have a pound. No, you do not want to go there.
- 4. Remember that in a fight with a skunk, a badger or a porcupine your dog will lose. There is a local vet. He is expensive.

5. Use the sheltered outside area to clean game and clean up all your mess. You will not be allowed to leave until your mess is all cleaned up.

#### **BOOK UPDATE:**

We are now working on the front cover and early pioneer families. If you have photographs that you wish to share please let us know. We will also be contacting pioneer families and town organizations for permission to use their photos for the book. Thank you. JS

UPCOMING MEETING DATES: IAN 24 ~ DRUM & BUGLE CORP FEB 28 ~ DAVE CLARENDON STORIES OF LOCAL INTEREST MAR 21 ~ BASQUE LUNCH APR 25 ~ INDIAN ARTIST MAY 23 ~ ROSEBUD FIELD TRIP **IUNE 27 ~ PICNIC AT HILMANS** PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Fine, \$50. Fine, \$10. Each



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Upcoming report in February on the Elsa Project and the Coffeen Collection.





# SHERIDAN COUNTY

#### **HISTORICAL SOCIETY** Thursday January 28th @ Holiday Inn

Jeff Prater (@ left) will be the presenter. His program is titled ""History According to Hollywood".

He received his doctorate in American history from the University of Kansas. His dissertation, "John Ford's Cavalry: Case Studies in the Representation of History in Motion Pictures," probed the historical veracity of Hollywood's depiction of Amer-

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ica's nineteenth-century military. In addition to articles and reviews in Airpower Journal and Military Review, Dr. Prater was a major contributor to both the Historical Dictionary of the US Army and the Air Force Historical Foundation's The Air Force. He has also written several feature articles for the highly respected Armchair General Magazine.

Sheridan County Historical Society Dinner and Program @ The Holiday Inn 6:00 p.m. Please call Linda or Karen at 674-4436 for reservations by NOON Tuesday Jan 26th. Dinner is \$15 per person which includes tax and tip. NO SHOWS will be charged the full price. So please be sure and come if making reservations. Program is free and those wishing to come just for the program should be in attendance by 6:40

**BIRTHDAYS FOR** JANUARY **HAPPY NEW YEAR!** Ida Mae Heaton Mona Brown 4 5 Mary Long 9 Loraine Lowe 11 Jeanne McIntosh 23 **Donald Johnson** 29 **Charles Helvey** 30 **Margaret Pilch** \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



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#### Our Sincere Sympathies go out to the families of:

#### Jay Leonard 'Bud' Biley

Jay Leonard "Bud" Biley, 82, of Clearmont died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009, at home surrounded by family. A celebration of life is 10 a.m. Saturday at Clearmont Community Church with Pastor Monty Rostad officiating. Born Aug. 8, 1927, in Sheridan to Jay and Olive (Miller) Biley, he grew up on his grandfather Silas Miller's homestead on Lower Prairie Dog, raised by his mother and grandmother. He attended the Miller School on Lower Prairie Dog and graduated from Sheridan High School in 1945. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served a tour of active duty on the USS Hancock in the Atlantic at the close of World War II. After the service, he went to work for the Bar 13 Ranch south of Big Horn. He married Nadine "Billie" Richards of Sheridan on June 10, 1951, and they raised three daughters. They remained on the Bar 13, where he retired as a full-time ranch hand in the summer of 1996. He was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Bryant. Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Marla Biley of Gillette, Carol Perry of Clearmont, and Bonnie Bell of Casper; two sisters, Phyllis Parenteau of Billings and Edith McClurg of Anchorage, Alaska; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Memorials may benefit the Clearmont Community Church Building Fund.

#### Shirley Kaufman Carter-Dailey

Former Sheridan resident Shirley Kaufman Carter-Dailey, 72, died Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2009, in Indianapolis of cancer, according to family. Born May 5, 1937, in Billings to Dan and Freida (Goodman) Kaufman, she moved with her family to the Box Cross Ranch south of Sheridan in 1947. She was a 1955 graduate of Big Horn High School. She lived in Seattle, New Orleans and Chattanooga, Tenn., before moving to Sheridan in 1997. She was a member of Kiwanis and chairwoman of the duck race. She performed with the Sheridanaires from 2000 to 2007. Survivors include two sons, Brandon of Chattanooga and Daren of Indianapolis; and three sisters, Carol, Peggy and Nancy. Memorial donations may be made to the Susan G. Koman for the Cure Foundation or the Kelly Schreibeis Foundation, P.O. Box 6786, Sheridan, WY 82801.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR CONTINUED HELP: Barb and Bernie Sare (monthly mailings), Mona Brown (constant bookkeeping), Polly Hill (sending cards) and all those who donated to the Christmas Auction (we made over \$200). Greatly Appreciated.



The sound of hammer and saw is heard throughout the land. A force of carpenters have been working almost day and night at the "Star of the West" and Henry still cries, "Allee same."

H.C. Coffeen, of whom we made mention last week as a recent arrival in town, broke ground early Monday morning, preparatory to the erection of a two-story 20x50 frame business home. Mr. Coffeen expects his goods to arrive in a few weeks.

Dr. Charles P. Murray, of New York city, who has been hunting in the Big Horn mountains the past month, left on Tuesday last for his home. The doctor informed us that he enjoyed himself spendidly in these regions and expects to visit us again next season.

T.E. Ferguson, of the firm of Ferguson, Farnham & Co., who recently bought out Wagner & O'Malley's interest in the Prairie Dog saw mill, was in Big Horn Friday. Mr. Ferguson informs us that they will keep their mill running all winter in order to prepare for the building boom in the spring. Rev. H.E. Probert wishes us to announce services for Big Horn and Sheridan this Sunday. He will preach at Big Horn at 11:00 a.m. and at Sheridan at 6:00 p.m. Sunday school will be held at Big Horn after services and at Sheridan at 3:00 p.m. The subject of his discourse at both places will be "The Prodigal's Reception."

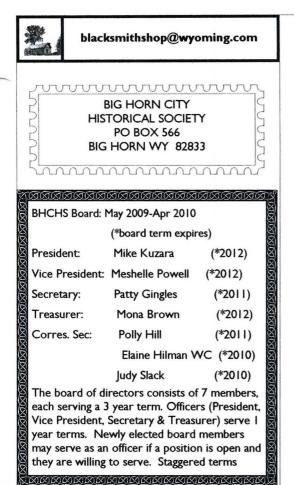
Senator Beck, before leaving for his eastern home, informed us that he had learned by wire while at Fort Custer that the senatorial committee, who went west a few days ago via the Union Pacific road, would return to the east on the Northern Pacific, stopping at Forts Custer and Keogh, where they would make a thorough investigation of the condition of the Crow and Cheyenne Indians.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1884 TAKEN FROM DECK HUNTER'S BIG HORN HISTORY BOOK VOLUME #4...thank you Deck.

# HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

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- 7 Larry Grooms
- 10 Ann Danko & Mary
- Jane Legerski II Edith Johnson LaMeres
- 16 Gina Dewey
- 20 Myrna Grimm
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- Lenora Scott
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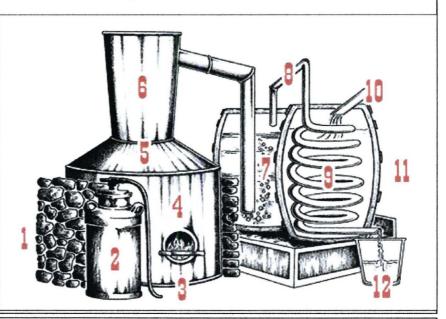
#### Local History - Stories by Dave Clarendon

February 28 Sunday Program Dave will share some of his stories and history of his ranch, including the recent discovery of a still. He will also share an historical map of the Big Horn Forest.

Last summer, Dave donated a piece of the still he found on his ranch to the Bozeman Trail Museum. I t was the coiled pipe as seen in this diagram at right (#9).

Mark you calendars for the 28th!

## FYI (FOR YOUR INFORMATION):



The photo in last month's newsletter was found in the 1951 yearbook. We are still trying to put names with faces. Thank you for all your help. We hope to include this photo in the BIG HORN CITY book. If you have any other group photos to share please send them soon.

PLEASE NOTE: The Story Historical Society's pot luck has been delayed from Sun 2/21 to Sun 3/21. They will be having a presentation on the floating showboat that was on Lake DeSmit in 1939. The daughters of one of the builders, Charlie Lawrence will be there to speak. They are Fay Waugh and Mas Dillinger. Lunch at 1:00 and presentation thereafter. They do not have any other programs planned at this time but the annual meeting will be held on Friday, July 10th at 3 in the Story Woman's Club.



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CLEAN UP : Helen Graham & Linda Jeffers

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# SHERIDAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

#### Thursday February 25 @ Holiday Inn @ 6 PM

Join Jennifer Mein eke, Fish Culturist at the Story Fish Hatchery for "The Fishmen of Story- 100 Years at Story Hatchery". During her presentation, Jennifer will take the audience on a trip through time to learn more about the people, places, and fish who have helped shape this Sheridan County landmark. You will get to know the men and women who have raised the fish and, through newspaper clippings, photos and journal entries, share in their triumphs, tragedies and day-



to-day lives. You will see how the hatchery has evolved from a single small building with no ponds into the modern state-of-the-art facility that it is today. Jennifer will also share how and why the fish were raised and why some are more important than others. Finally,

if there is time, she'll give you a sneak peak at the current construction project.

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#### Our Sincere Sympathies go out to the families of:

Jack Dewey who passed away in December 2009



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MAILINGS. PLEASE CALL JUDY IF YOU CAN HELP FOLD, TAPE AND PLACE LABELS ON THE NEWSLETTERS. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 2 HOURS PER MONTH. THANK YOU. Judy 674-6363 Thank you to Mona Brown for helping in January& to Gene and Diane Caiola for helping in Feb.

#### NICKERSON FAMILY FOUNDATION

The Nickerson Family Foundation has given the BHCHS a most generous donation of \$3,500 to help with the Elsa Spear Byron Collection. The Wyoming Room at the Sheridan County Library will be the repository for this collection. The library has provided the equipment for this project to proceed. Scanning continues on a weekly basis. Judy has scanned over 5,000 photographs, diary pages and slides. THANK YOU TO SCOTT, ANNE, DAVID, GREG & PHILLIP FOR THEIR SUPPORT !! (Elsa & daughter





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Henry Coffeen 1892

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# BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY

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BY BETH MCELFRESH



#### ONE DISH MEAL: CABBAGE MEAT ROLLS

2 cups uncooked rice l cup chopped celery l tsp. salt l beaten egg 1 lb. good hamburger 2 chopped green peppers 7 or 8 cabbage leaves 1 tbsp. catsup

Mix all ingredients together and mix well. Make into 7 or 8 balls, wrapping each ball in a cabbage leaf. Place a small layer of shredded cabbage in bottom of baking dish. Put in the cabbage rolls, then a small layer of shredded cabbage on top. Add 1 1/4 cups water and bake in a slow oven for 2 hours. Serve with corn meal rolls, and lots of butter. (Try molasses pie for dessert with this dish.)

# BHCHS ~ MARCH 21 PROGRAM ~ TRADITIONAL BASQUE LUNCH TO BE PROVIDED BYTHE BASQUE FAMILIES

FROM BUFFALO (cost yet to be determined)

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY MARCH 15** 

Roast Lamb \* Green Salad \* Roasted Potatoes \* Puree Leek & Potato Soup \* & a Special Dessert—lunch will be served in courses with the ladies describing the traditions behind each dish and the

preparation details.

#### DANCING DEMONSTRATION TO FOLLOW

PLEASE CALL 674 -6363 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS (leave message)

Hee ha ha: If Fed Ex and UPS were to merge, would they call it Fed UP? ~~~

I believe five out of four people have trouble with fractions. ~~ If quitters never win, and winners never quit, what fool came up with, "Quit while you're ahead?" ~~ Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks? ~~ What hair color do they put on the driver's licenses of bald men? ~~ (someone out there sends these funny emails-thanks)

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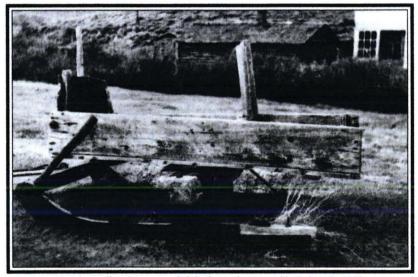
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One summer when I was 'babysitting' the museum, I read this story in the book titled "WALK SOFTLY, THIS IS GOD'S COUNTRY". It is the story of Rev. John Roberts and his 66 years among the Shoshone & Arapahoe Indians on the Wind River Reservation (1883-1949). His survival story during this blizzard has stayed with me & whenever I see a winter storm warning, & as I step into our 4 wheel drive Ford Escape, I am reminded of his walking across Wyoming, shoveling a path for the team of horses. (Please Excuse the rotated format. JS)

#### The Blizzard

The regular stagecoach, carrying passengers and mail, did not leave Green River, Wyoming, for the Shoshone and Bannock Indian Agency on the second day of February, 1883, because of the great blizzard. The agency was 150 miles away, and the trip, even in favorable weather, was hazardous. Surely no passenger would think of undertaking it in such a storm.

But the mail must go through! Four horses were harnessed to a big wooden, dry-goods box on runners. Hay was spread on the floor of the



Freight, mail and passenger sled similar to the one used by Roberts in 1883 Photo taken at South Pass

box, and a plank was placed across the open wagon, resting on the two sides near the front. Though the plank qualified as a seat, the floor proved to be a better one as it afforded some slight shelter to the travelers from the high, icy winds and blowing snow.

The driver was almost ready to start when he noticed a young man carrying a small traveling bag standing near the sled, his dog waiting by his side. The young man told the driver his name was John Roberts and that he wished to go to the Indian Reservation as soon as possible. "You're just a-bustin' to go along, ain't you!" exclaimed the driver. "Well, come ahead. Got you a coat? That ain't no coat, get you an extry one off'n m'bed."

Along the road between Green River and the Reservation, were stage stations about 15 or 20 miles apart where a change of horses and sometimes a change of drivers was made. With the greatest anticipation, travelers would see the cabins in the distance ahead of them, where a meal was available. After dark, in clear weather, how cheering it was to everyone in the coach to see the lighted windows of the station shining, even two or three miles away. Some of these stations were named Separation Flats (called Myers at the time), Alkali, Big Sandy, Little Sandy, Dry Sandy, South Pass (by-passing Pacific Springs), Ed Young's, Lander and Shoshone Agency.

The storm which struck the divide the last day of January covered the whole area with deep snow and mountainous drifts hid the roads. Several people, caught in the storm and unable to find their way to shelter, were frozen to death or died some time afterward as a result of exposure to the intense cold. At Dry Sandy, the Rev. John Roberts officiated at the burial service of George Rider, a stage driver who had been frozen to death in the first days of the storm while attempting to get the mail through. The record reads: "Frozen while carrying the mail, buried in the snow at Dry Sandy, whence the body was subsequently removed."

At the same station, there was an eighteen year old girl, Maggie Sherlock, who was very ill. She was suffering from extreme exposure, and later died. She had been caught in the storm while on her way to school in Salt Lake City. The young clergyman, anxious to help the patient and her family, could do so only indirectly by chopping wood the whole day and keeping the little station comfortable.

William B. Clark<sup>2</sup> also perished in the storm; his body was found a month later. The Rev. John Roberts officiated at his funeral on March 4th. Clark was buried at the Lander Cemetery.

This trip, made by the two travelers in the dry-goods box on runners, took eight days instead of the usual 36-hour trip made by the regular stage. When asked by a friend how he survived the cold, Mr. Roberts answered, "It was very cold but I managed to keep from freezing by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> There are still relatives of Maggie Sherlock and William Clark living in this area. Georgia Bower is the granddaughter of William Clark.

#### **BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

#### Walk Softly

LOCAL NEWS

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shoveling snow ahead of the team much of the way from Green River to the Shoshone Indian Agency."

When the two finally arrived at their destination on February 10, 1883, the government thermometer at Fort Washakie, a mile from the agency, registered sixty degrees below zero. As the sled went over the last hill, its two passengers saw what appeared to be a valley filled with Japanese lanterns. These lanterns were really many teepees lighted by a sagebrush fire burning in each. The Shoshones and Arapahoes had moved their camps near the agency where rations of food and clothing would be issued to them the next day.

The young missionary was pleasantly surprised to find anything like the trader's store and post office into which he hurried to get warm. With a big fire roaring in the stove, there seemed to be friendliness with the warmth. It was almost luxurious after coming so many desolate miles and passing lonely stage stations. As he stepped inside the store, he heard a man say, "The preacher's come."

Then the answer, "That's no preacher, he's got him a dog!"

That night, quilts and a borrowed buffalo robe spread on two benches placed together in the cabin of a kind stranger were his first bed and home on the Wind River Indian Reservation.

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number of Crow Indians tried roller skating again this week. The treacherous rollers appear to hold the advan-Heavy losses are reported among trail cattage over the Crows, and the redskins usually mange to leave their imprint on the smooth surface of the rink. Sackett & Skinner put their planning mill in (BHCHS Editor Question: wouldn't it be difficult to keep the old key type skates There is a daily increase of men at the on if wearing moccasins? ) Nuptial Knots At the residence of J. W. Stewart, on "Calamity Jane," that once noted, heroine

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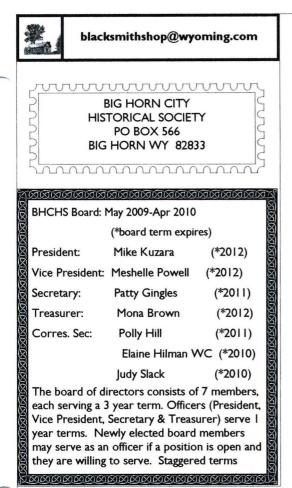
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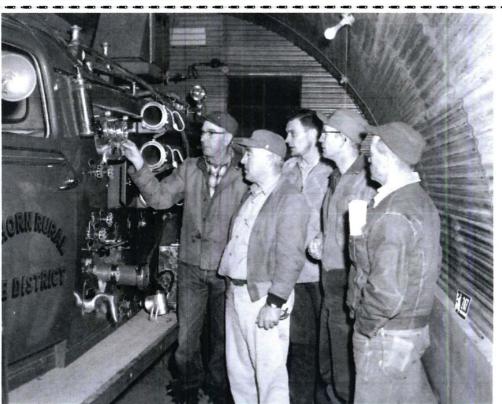
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# ANNUAL **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** • SINGLE YOUTH.....\$ 3 SINGLE ADULTS......\$8 • COUPLE/ FAMILY.....\$16 • BUSINESS.....\$20 • ORGANIZATION.....\$20 DUES ARE ALWAYS DUE THE 1ST OF SEPTEMBER. Please send stories, photos, comments, suggestions and corrections to: BHCHS PO Box 566 Big Horn, WY 82833

BIG HORN FIRE DEPARTMENT'S "NEW" TRUCK - TAKEN IN 1959- from left: Elzie Edmiston, Joe Genereaux, Victor Slack, Fred Bard & Gil Valdez

MAR 2010

# Please Note: The next meeting will be held March 21st. We had several requests not to hold meetings on holidays. Sorry for any inconvenience this has caused.



# RESERVATIONS DUE BY MARCH 15TH

Come Join Us for an AUTHENTIC BASQUE LUNCH Big Horn City Historical Society Big Horn Woman's Club MARCH 21ST @1:00 \$10 PER PLATE Roast Lamb \* Green Salad \* Roasted Potatoes \* Puree Leek & Potato Soup\* Special Dessert Lunch will be served in courses with the ladies describing the traditions behind each dish Dancing demonstration to follow.

Reservations due by March 15th Call 674-6363—leave message

#### BHCHS usually MEETS THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH:

NEXT MEETING DATE MARCH 21, 2010



THOSE MEMBERS HELPING THIS MONTH : (OH & THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP !!!!)

SET UP AT 11:30 & CLEAN UP : Mona Brown & Polly Hill (We will need extra help this month!)

@ Ip.m. BH Woman's CLUB



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0 Margaret Logan HESTER PERRY'S SUET PUDDING 1 1/3 c. hot water 2 c. milk 1 qt. flour Dash of nutmeg or Sauce: 1 c. suet 1/2 c. brown sugar, cinnamon 3 tsp. salt 11/2 c. chopped apple firmly packed 1/3 c. butter (or any tart fruit)

Mix first 6 ingredients and steam 3 hours. Combine remaining ingredients for sauce.

#### MARY ELIZABETH (BETTE) BERRY

#### JULY 6, 1919 - MARCH 2, 2010

On March 2, 2010, Mom and God agreed that it was time for her to have the peace she has wanted for several years and she joined two of the people she loved and missed the most; Dad and our sister Lin. Mom was born in Casper, Wyoming on July 6, 1919, to Josephine Doran Gerber and Charlie Gerber. Charlie left the family when Mom was 2 and Grandma married Cecil Lucas on September 12, 1923. Her brother John was born while the family was tending sheep and living in a sheep wagon. Mom spoke often of being so happy to have a baby brother to play with; Mom and Uncle Pete (a nickname that Mom gave him that stuck) remained close until his death. Mom graduated from Campbell County High School and started teaching in rural one-room schools when she was 17. It was a lonely time for her but she stuck it out and had several adventures trying to get to and from the school from the ranch houses where she boarded.

Much later in life, she returned to her teaching career and taught at Wyola Elementary School for 3 years, driving the 100 mile round trip every day. Mom loved to teach, whether it was in school or with her grandchildren or great grandchildren and remained a teacher her entire life.

She met and fell in love with Leonard Harris and they married in August of 1940. Our sister Lin was born before Leonard joined the army; he was killed in action on Mindanao in 1945.

After the war Mom was courted by our father, Jim Berry, and they were married on July 1, 1946 in Gillette, Wyoming. Mike, Dan and John (or the three "Berry Boys" as we are proud to be called) followed and were raised in Sheridan and Clearmont before settling in Big Horn. Mom was always active in the community, especially the Big Horn Woman's Club, where she was famous for her pies. No dinner at the club was complete without a Bette Berry pie. She was also very

involved in the establishment of the Big Horn City Historical Society and worked hard to maintain its' growing success. One of the hardest parts about leaving the home that she and Dad built was moving away from Big Horn and all her friends. Mom is survived by her three sons and their families: Mike and his wife Sandy, their children André and Gaston Barajas, Scott and Tom Berry; Dan and his wife Kay and children Courtney and Lucas and John, his wife Janet and children David, Emily and Adam. We lost our sister Lin Luedtke in 2007; her children are Susan O'Shea,

husband Kevin, and Bryan Luedtke, wife Shawnee. Bette was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Leonard Harris and James P. Berry, daughter Lin Luedtke and brother John Lucas.

We want to extend our thanks and gratitude to the staff at Sugarland Ridge for taking such good care of Mom for the past two years and to the nurses, CNA's and all of the others at Sheridan

Memorial Hospital for the care and concern given her these past days. Special thanks to Dr. Adler for having helped Mom in the long term and to Dr. Susan Roberts for your compassion and caring during the short time you took care of her. You are all very special people and you made Mom's journey and our loss a peaceful, natural transition. Memorials can be made to the Big Horn City Historical Society or the Big Horn Woman's Club. Mom requested that no services be held, but as we tended to do growing up, we're going to fudge a bit and have a gathering at a later date when the weather is warm and the flowers are out.

#### WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER DEAR FRIEND AND FOUNDER OF THE BHCHS. WE WILL MISS YOU BETTE !!!!!! (especially us Currie kids)





#### **BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

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#### Out Where the West Begins

Out where the handclasp's a little stronger, Out where the smile dwells a little longer, That's where the West begins; Out where the sun is a little brighter, Where the snows that fall are a trifle whiter; Where the bonds of home are a wee bit tighter; That's where the West begins. Out where the skies are a trifle bluer, Out where the friendship's a little truer, That's where the West begins Out where a fresher breeze is blowing, Where there's laughter in every streamlet flowing, Where there's more of reaping and less of sowing, That's where the West begins. Out where the world is in the making, Where fewer hearts with despair are aching; That's where the West begins; Where there's more of singing and less of sighing, Where's there's more of giving and less of buying,

And where a man makes friends without half trying,



Donated by the Hap Jensen family 9-1-1995

That's where the West begins.

# THE TRUE STORY

of

ARTHUR CHAPMAN'S

# "Out Where the West Begins"

On December 18, 1917, I dropped in to see Arthur Chapman, who at that time was managing editor of the Denver Times, and during our conversation I said to him, "Art, there are so many different stories about when, where and how you wrote 'Out Where the West Begins?' I wish you would tell me the truth about it."

He replied, saying that in 1910 he was working on the Denver Republican and that he had a poem a day to write for the top of his column, "Center Shots."

While he did not remember the exact date, he did recall that it was about ten minutes of six and he wanted to catch the six o'clock car for home. His poem for the day had not been written.

He passed the managing editor's desk and saw an Associated Press dispatch which stated the Governors of the Western States, while holding their annual meeting, had fallen into a discussion about where the West begins, some contending for the Allegheny Mountains, others the Mississippi and some the Rockies.

It afforded him the suggestion for the choicest bit of Western verse that has ever been written.

He sat down at the typewriter and in a few minutes "Out Where the West Begins" was hanging on the copy hook. He left the office on the run and caught the six o'clock car.

The poem has gone 'round the world, through newspapers and magazines in many languages. The words have been set to music. Two governors have used it in campaign speeches, and it has been quoted in the halls of Congress and spread on the Congressional Record. Done in Tiffany, it adorns the walls of the Rocky Mountain Club of New York.

One Governor and one Bishop have been given credit as the author, besides scores of others.

This epic of the West was written by a big-hearted, whole-souled man of vision who experienced many of the things that later brought inspiration for the poem.

Please accept the re-print copy of "Out Where the West Begins," in the author's hand, with the compliments of the Tourist and Publicity Bureau of the Denver Chamber of Commerce. It breathes the spirit of the West, and of Colorado.

HARRY N. BURHANS,

Denver, Colorado, U. S. A.

SLIDING GLASS DOOR, EH? INTER OF THE SHAVE I TOLO YOUL GUYS?! IT'S ALWAYS FUN UNTIL SOMEONE LOSES A HEAD! UNTIL SOMEONE LOSES A HEAD! A-3

BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH 1 SCOTT ECKERSON **IOHN CURRIE** 2 10 **HELEN BARD** 11 JACK SEPT 12 **BEA HUTSON** IIM CURRIE 16 20 JOYCE BILLINGS 30 BARB SARE NORENE BAXTER 31 

# SHERIDAN COUNTY

# HISTORICAL SOCIETY

#### Thursday March 25 @ Holiday Inn

Program:

"A Matter of Individuality: "Colorful Characters of Lower Clear Creek and Powder River"

Wonderfully entertaining stories.

Billie Little and husband, Patrick, live on the last original homestead (owned by the same family) in the valley. The ranch is located between Arvada and Clearmont. She is

a retired teacher of 38 years...10 years in Buffalo and 28 years in the Arvada-Clearmont schools. She earned her B.A. in education at the University of Kansan, an MA at the University of Colorado, and has taken a number of extension courses from the University of Wyoming.

She served for 6 years on the Planning and Zoning Commission and is Chairman of the Sheridan County Historic Preservation Commission. Billie is the author of the book, *Sheridan County History: Going, Going, Gone.* 

#### Our Sincere Sympathies go out to the families of:

#### Suzanne Consigny Coffeen

Suzanne Consigny Coffeen, 84, of Sheridan died Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010, at Sheridan Manor. A memorial service will be later. Arrangements are with Kane Funeral Home. Born in Sedan, France, on Nov. 23, 1925, to Leon Consigny and Marie Charlotte Consigny, she married Herbert Coffeen in Sedan in 1945. Following World War II, they made their home in Sheridan. Mrs. Coffeen worked at Sheridan Manor 28 years as a caregiver. She enjoyed gardening, cooking French cuisine, and being a grandmother. She was preceded in death by her husband and three children (a son, Marc, in 2007, and two infants). Survivors include three children, Michael Coffeen and Patricia Shokrian, both of Sheridan, and

Mary Carley of Lake City, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

#### Charlotte M. Smith

Charlotte M. Smith, 89, of Sheridan died Saturday, Feb. 27, 2010, at Westview Health Care Center. Funeral service is 10 a.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church with Pastor John Elkins officiating. Arrangements are with Champion Ferries Funeral Home. Born July 15, 1920, in Sheridan to Roy and Goldie (Fetter) Graves, she attended Big Horn and Sheridan schools, graduating from Sheridan High School. She married Steve R. Smith on Jan. 11, 1947, in Billings. A homemaker, she enjoyed the country life in the couple's home on Meade Creek, especially sunrises, sunsets, and her dog, King. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and Big Horn Historical Society. She was preceded in death by her husband, a brother, and an infant sister. Survivors include two daughters, Cheryl M. Smith of Fort Collins, Colo., and Nancy Elkins of Sheridan; one brother, Bob Graves of Sheridan; seven grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. Memorials may benefit Shrine Children's Travel Fund, P.O. Box K, Sheridan, WY 82801 or Hospice of The Big Horns, P.O. Box 391, Sheridan.

Sheridan County Historical Society Dinner and Program @ The Holiday Inn 6:00 p.m. Please call for reservations by NOON Tuesday March 23. 673-0644 Dinner is \$16 per person which includes tax and tip. Program is free and those wishing to come just for the program should be in attendance by 6:40 WYOMEND SATURIAN COMPLETENCE

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BIG HORN SENTINEL - August 1, 1885

#### BIG HORN. AUGUST 1, 1885 LOCAL NEWS

The heated term continues, ..... Considerable hail fell yesterday, but no damage is reported.

Services will be held in the church

to-morrow morning and evening. Nine weeks from yesterday is a day in which Bill Booth has considerable interest.

After a very successful term of teaching, Miss Nellie Vial closed the school at Beckton yesterday,

County Treasurer Farwell has gone to Hunter's Hot Springs, Montana, to rusticate for a few weeks.

R.Wood, of Omaha, is about to purchase a ranch on Beaver creek and stock it with a herd of fine cattle.....

J.W. Wagner has a patch of twenty acres of wheat on his ranch adjoining town that will average forty bushels to the acre.

Out of a herd of 400 young cattle turned loose on the range last fall by D. Willey, all but two were gathered during the spring round-up.

The premium list for the fair to be held in Big Horn in September will be completed in a few days, and next week the same will be published in these columns.

Senator and Mrs. Beck and a number of other ladies and gentlemen from Kentucky will visit this locality soon, and during their stay will be guests of Geo. <u>T. Beck</u>.

Governor Warren has written a letter to the fair association, in which he states that if he can so arrange matters at the executive office so as to leave Cheyenne for a ten days' visit to the northern part of the territory, he will be in attendance at the opening of the exhibition.

The reported outbreak of the Cheyenne Indians on the Rosebud and Tongue rivers was a false alarm. However, a SENTINEL representative rode fifty miles on deck of a cayuse to learn this information.

Sentinel.

Rev. Jennings has returned from a brief but pleasant visit from Buffalo. During his stay there he was tendered the pastoral charge of the church in that town, but declined the offer, preferring to reside in this section of the county.

In course of a trip up through the Little Goose creek canyon, W.F. Davis came across a bear, which he laid out at the first shot of his unerring rifle. The animal would weigh about 1,000 pounds and its hide measured nine feet in length.

Exerpt from Miles City, MT, July 20

Your correspondent had the pleasure of meeting H.A. Coffeen, of your city, and found him an exceedingly pleasant and affable gentleman. It is to be regretted his stay among us was so short, but when we get that new road built, we shall hope to see, not only Mr. Coffeen, but everybody else from Big Horn, Sheridan and Buffalo often here, and they can all rest assured of a hearty welcome. PREFERRED LOCALS Hardware of all kind at Coffeen's. ..... SHEEP FOR SALE. In consequence of the contraction of the range near my place. I will sell my band of sheep very low. Write for information. JAMES TERRILL Banner, Wyo . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Vinegar at Coffeen's

Sugar, meat, lard and coffee at lowest prices ever known in Big Horn at Coffeen's store. A new line of crockery just received

at Coffeen's. A new stock of fine cigars - the best in town - at Coffeen's.

~ PICNIC AT HILMANS PLUS SAM MORTON TO SIGN BOOKS JPCOMING MEETING DATES:MAR 21 ~ BASQUE LUNCH UND KNOWS RABBIT CALENDARS ROSEBUD FIELD TRIP INDIAN ARTIST PLEASE MARK YOUR 2 2 23 **UNE 27** 25 MAY APR LADY RAMS FAVORED TO WIN THEIR THIRD STATE BASKETBALL

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each serving a 3 year term. Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer) serve 1 year terms. Newly elected board members may serve as an officer if a position is open and they are willing to serve. Staggered terms provide a more stable governing team throughout long term projects. New Bylaws were accepted when we received the IRS 501c3 status.



**CIRCA 1950** AT THE SUNDIAL MONUMENT LOCATED ON THE HANNA HOMESTEAD SOUTH OF BIG HORN. The monument marks the first homestead cabin in what is now Sheridan County. Eudora Myers and Oliver Perry Hanna were married June 27, 1885 in Miles City, Montana. They had 4 children.

MRS. O.P. HANNA

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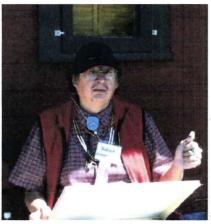
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#### BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY APRIL 2010 PO BOX 566 Big Horn WY 82833

APRIL 2010



# Program for April 25th ELLIS 'RABBIT' KNOWS GUN CROW INDIAN ARTIST

According to C. Adrian Heidenreich, PH.D., Professor Native American Studies & Anthropology, MSU, Billings, Montana, and quoted here for emphasis.

"Rabbit's paintings involve creative symbolism. Four concurrent themes characterize his art: traditional Crow culture, the natural/spiritual environment of landscape and

animals, Catholic religious spirituality and American patriotism. He uses colors which are found in traditional Crow art such as geometric and floral beadwork, parfleches and painted hides. His work is unique, vibrant, multicultural and inspirational."

He has been published in "Smoke Signals in Crow Country: Beyond the Capture of Horses from the Lewis & Clark Expedition" by C. A. Heidenreich and "Native American Painters of the 20th Century"—the works of 61 artists. He will show his work and have pieces on display for sale.

#### ROSEBUD BATTLEFIELD TOUR-MAY 23

10 AM TO 2 PM FOR THOSE BIDING THE TROLLEY

Anyone wishing to take a walking tour should plan to car pool since the walk may last until late afternoon. Everyone to meet at the Kmart parking lot—south side @ 10 AM

\$10 PER PERSON BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND WATER.

THOSE RIDING THE TROLLEY MAY WANT TO BRING A PILLOW TO SIT ON FOR THE LONG RIDE.

JEFF & ĐANA PRATER WILL BE OUR GUIDES. CALL 674-6363 TO MAKE BESERVATIONS OR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO BIDE THE TROLLEY.

# BHCHS usually MEETS THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH:



#### NEXT MEETING DATE APRIL 25

@ Ip.m. BH Woman's CLUB—Carry In Lunch with Program to follow. THOSE MEMBERS HELPING THIS MONTH : (OH & THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP !!!!)

SET UP AT 11:30 : Marelyn Blackley & Patty Gingles

CLEAN UP : Diane Caiola & Bev Heuton





#### CHOKE CHERRY WINE

(This recipe was given to me by an old-time cowman and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Booker of Glenrock, Wyoming. He gave me the recipe thirty years ago. At that time he was rodding the VR Cattle Company, which he did for more than thirty years.)

12 lbs. cherries 2 gallons water 6 lbs. sugar

Wash fruit well, cover with the water, and let stand 10 days, stirring and washing the fruit three times a day. Keep in warm place, skimming every day. Strain. Add sugar and set aside until all fermentation ceases. Skim daily. Bottle tightly. 1 tbsp. of pure grain alcohol may be added to each gallon of wine without danger that it will turn to vinegar. (Chaparral -- or buffalo berries, as we Western people call them -- may make wine in the same fashion as for choke cherry wine.)

#### ROSE WINE

A lovely wine can be made of the rosebuds that form on wild roses after the roses fall off. Make the same as choke cherry wine, except run the buds through a good chopper; when you put the sugar in the juice, add one yeast cake.

#### DANDELION WINE

l qt. blossoms loosely packed, juice and rind of l lemon and 2 oranges, l gallon hot soft water. Pour 54 water over blossoms, let stand overnight. Drain. Add lemon and oranges, 2 lbs. sugar. Stir in sugar well, add 1 cake yeast. Let stand one week in a warm room. Strain and bottle, putting corks in loosely. (This recipe was given to me by my aunt, Mrs. Vannie Jacka. It is very good, and I have made the wine for more than 30 years. 1 tbsp. of pure grain alcohol may be added for each gallon of wine without danger that it will turn to vinegar.)

#### TOM AND JERRY

(This recipe was given to my husband many years ago by Oscar Thielen as made in the old days when cowmen made their own drinks.)

Use 1 large china bowl and 1 small bowl. Beat the whites of 12 fresh eggs to a stiff froth in the large bowl, add 1 heaping tbsp. sugar for each egg. Beat yolks of eggs separately in the small bowl, add a pinch of baking soda and beat to a stiff batter. Then mix the two batters together, stir frequently so as to prevent the sugar sticking to the bottom.

#### To serve Tom and Jerry:

Put 2 tbsp. of the above mixture into a Tom and Jerry mug. Add 1 drink (2 ounces) liquor; fill with boiling water. Stir well while adding the water. Grate nutmeg or cinnamon on top, and serve.

#### COFFEE

To make coffee for a large crowd of people, make it the way the roundup cooks did when on the roundup: Have a large old-fashioned coffee pot. Allow 1 tbsp. coffee to each person, then 1 extra tbsp. for the coffee pot. Put coffee in a thin white sack. Measure water in a cup; allow extra cup of water. Put on low heat and let steep slowly. Let come to a boil when ready to serve. Clear with a little cold water.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH PROGRAMS PLEASE CALL. WE NEED SUGGESTIONS. It is very difficult to find programs. Also, if you want to see a change in our meetings or lunches or whatever, please let a board member

#### know your ideas. Thank you.

#### **Book News**

This newsletter will be a short one this month since I have been working on the book. The cover photographs and captions have been finalized and sent to Arcadia Publishing this week. We hope to hear back soon which photo they say will fit the cover format the best. Will be calling on a few more pioneer families in May to complete the photograph scanning. If anyone has photos to share be sure and contact us soon. Thank you.

# STATE OFFERS \$500 REWARD EOR FIRE BUGS' WHO STARTED TWO DANCE HALL BUAZES HERE

Stay tuned for more details on this headline dated Sept. 1924.

#### **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

- I Rachel Pelissier
- 8 Walt Legerski
- 9 Shawn Jensen
- 12 Donna Hutson
- 13 Katie Gorman
- 19 Makhailia Eckerson
- 20 Ed Symons
- 23 Don Mackey
- 23 Mark Galloway
- 25 Gene Caiola





#### **BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**



#### October 25, 1884

Sub<u>scribe for THE SENTINEL</u> Your taxes if not paid by November 10th <u>will be delinquent</u> Fred Hesse and lady visited in Big

What will the harvest be?" is the song of our local candidates.....

holy bonds of wedlock to Miss Emma Spear tomorrow afternoon.....

The appearance of the mountains and foothills, makes one think of what he has done with his summer wages.

Remember THE SENTINEL office for wedding invitations, ball programmes, etc. Work of this kind done at reasonable <u>rates....</u>

Chas. Spear, a raithrui employee or the McCormick mercantile house, Junction City, is visiting his parents on Lit<u>tle Goose creek for a short</u> time. John Myer, of Piney, while practicing rifle shooting a few days since, accidentally shot one of the stage company's horses as the coach was passing by. It would be wise for him to be a little more careful in the future.



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We learn that Dr. Robinson, who some time ago was severely frozen in the Big Horn mountains, is getting better slowly. However, amputation of one of his toes was necessary a few days since, which operation was performed by Dr. Watkins.

A meeting was held in the school house, this town, to arrange for giving an entertainment, the proceeds to go towards paying a balance still owing on the organ. Messrs. Probert and Benefield and Miss Hallie Coffeen were appointed to act as the committee on everything.....

THANK YOU for the Memorials in honor of Bette Berry:

David & Judy Cook Garber Bernard & Barb Sare Mona Brown George Harper Jeri Redington Ron Dailey John & Judy Slack Dee & Ladd Cochrane Don & Barbara Oedekoven

Sheridan County Historical Society Dinner and Program Thursday, April 22, 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn

with Program Presenter, **Sam Morton**, speaking on "The myth of the Plains Indians, dude girls gone wild, cowboys on 4 wheelers, and embracing the invasion of

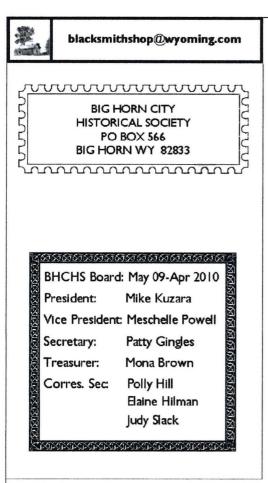
the retired finger wavers." Reservations for dinner, at \$16 each, are required by noon on Tuesday, April 20, to the Sheridan County Museum at 675-1150. Clarence & Kathleen Bishop Victor Garber Ida Mae Heaton Dee & RJ Clifton John K. Lucas Family Mary Maffeo





JACK DEAN DEWEY, BSCE '56, Civil Engineering, passed away Sept. 13. He was born June 20, 1932 in Sheridan, Wyo., the son of Clayton Wilson Dewey and Eva Mae (Cook) Dewey. He was the third of six children. Dewey married Mildred Townsend on Nov. 5, 1977. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He was a veteran and served in the U.S. Army and received a Korean Service medal with two bronze stars and the Distinguished Unit Citation. After attending UW, he was employed by the U.S. Geological Survey for many years as a hydrologist and retired in 1987. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister. He is survived by his brothers and sisters, 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

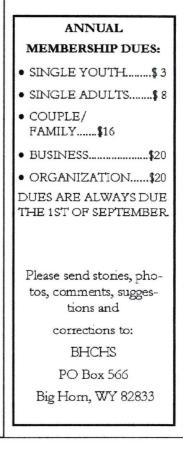




#### **Temp—Return Service Requested**

We know where the cash register is now. It is on display at the Sheridan County Museum. But does anyone know where the scale is?????? (Photo courtesy of BH Woman's Club. Photo found in an old scrapbook. Is that LeRoy Sackett at the PO?)







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ALONG THE BOZEMAN TRAIL

MAY 2010

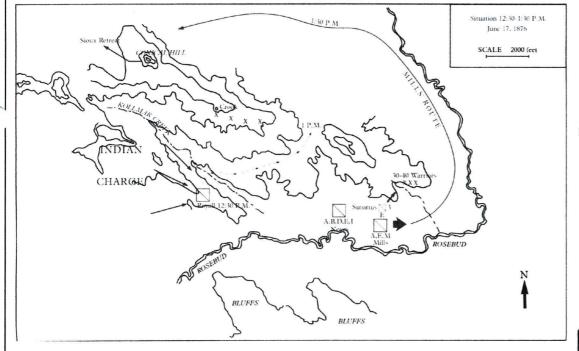
# RESERVATIONS DUE BY MAY 20TH ROSEBUD BATTLE FIELD TOUR MAY 23, 2010

10 AM to 2 PM (for those riding the trolley)

Anyone wishing to take a walking tour should plan to car pool since the walk may last until late afternoon. Everyone to meet at the Kmart Parking lot—south side @ 10 AM

\$10 per person Bring your own lunch and water.

Those riding the trolley may want to bring a pillow for the long ride.



Jeff & Dana Prater will be our guides. Call 674-6363 to

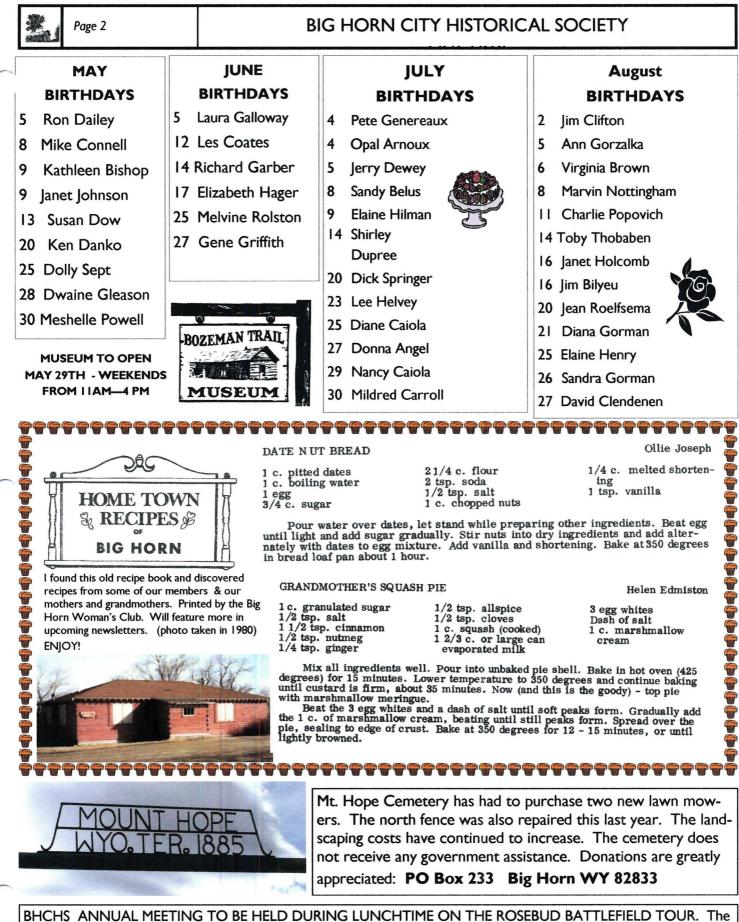
Make reservations. Please leave name, phone number, # of reservations & if you want to ride trolley.



Frank Grouard was Crook's scout. He knew the Sioux well, having lived so long amongst them, had tried to warn Crook of the impending disaster. However, Crook proceeded. "Grouard's assertion that a sizeable warrior force lay in ambush was put to good use by Crook who used the statements to help justify his return to Goose Creek. "They returned to their camp (currently the Hilman Ranch area in Little Goose Canyon). Information, map and photograph found in

Battle of the Rosebud: Prelude to the Little Bighorn by Neil C. Mangum.

WE CAN ALSO SEND THE NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL. (Emails are in color.) THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED INTEREST !



slate of officers for the upcoming election is a repeat of 2009-2010.



#### Our Sincere Sympathies go out to the families of:

James Nelson Wolfe

March 30, 1938 - May 1, 2010

James Nelson Wolfe, 72, died Saturday, 01 May 2010, at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center in Cheyenne, Wyoming, following complications from heart surgery. He grew up in Sheridan, graduating from Sheridan High School in 1956. He attended the University of Wyoming one year before enlisting in the Army in 1957 where he was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri (Fort Lost in the Woods of Misery, as he called it). He received an honorable discharge July 1959. Jim married Patricia Marie Aldershof, who survives him, in Ottumwa, Iowa, June 11, 1960. He returned to the University of Wyoming graduating with a BS in accounting in 1962. In 1965 he received his JD degree in Law and was admitted to the Wyoming State Bar in 1965. The Public Defender's office has lost a great friend and a warrior for the indigent accused." State of Wyoming Public Defender's Office. Jim was a member of the Wyoming State Bar, Past Commissioner of the Wyoming State Bar, Past President of Sheridan County Bar Association, Past Chairman of the Wyoming Judicial Council, and Cheyenne Trap Club. . Jim's grandmother, Edith Nelson, was the first white child born in Sheridan County in 1880. It is told an Indian brave offered her parents 15 ponies for her. The offer was not accepted. Memorials may benefit Big Horn Activity Booster Group, PO Box 204, Big Horn, Wyoming, 82833, or the donor's choice.

Mary Toohey DeJarnett

Mary Toohey DeJarnett, wife of Don DeJarnett, passed away at their home in Billings, MT on March 15, 2010. Mary and Don celebrated their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary in 2009. Mary was a high school English teacher in the Billings School System for many years. Survivors besides Don are their four daughters: Kay Seder, Susan DeJarnett, Julie Brown and Jennifer Webb, grandsons Parker Brown and Mason Webb, and granddaughter Chelsea Brown.

#### **Martin Anderson**

#### October 13, 1946 - May 6, 2010

Martin B. Anderson, 63, died May 6, 2010, at his home in Powell after a long, courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Sheridan on Oct. 13, 1946, the son of Tooney (Richmond) and John Gaddis Anderson. Martin's early years were spent on the 41 Ranch near Buffalo. In 1955, his family moved to Big Horn. Martin graduated from Big Horn High School in 1964, and he then attended Sheridan College and the University of Wyoming. Martin often asked those close to him, "Have I told you today that I love you?" He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Henry Phipps and Ben Anderson. Martin is survived by his wife, Diana, of Powell; son Tim Anderson (Silvia) of Phoenix, Ariz.; daughter Richmond Davis (Shane) of Janesville, Wisc.; brothers John Anderson (Susan) of Lakewood, Colo,; Lincoln Anderson (Natalia) of Boston, Mass., and Lawrence Phipps III of Elizabeth, Colo.; sister Richmond Phipps of Nosara, Costa Rica; his three grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be Thursday, May 13, 2010, at 2pm at St. John's Episcopal Church, followed by burial at Crown Hill Cemetery. A reception will follow at the Powell Elks Club. Memorial donations in Martin's name may be made to the Heart Mountain Volunteer Medical Clinic, P.O. Box 1155, Powell, WY 82435. Thompson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, and online condolences may be sent to the family at www.thompsonfuneral.net.

CHEYENNE DAILY SUN NEWSPAPER\_MAY IS 1879

IT TAKES MORE SENSE TO WRITE GOOD NONSENSE THAN IT DOES TO WRITE GOOD SENSE.

A SHERIFF BEING OBLIGED TO ARREST HIS FATHER WAS ASKED WHERE HE WAS GOING AND REPLIED: "I AM GOING TO BAGDAD."

THE OTHER DAY A MAN DIED SO SUDDENLY THAT THE BODY WAS ALMOST COLD BEFORE THE DISTRACTED AND GRIEF STRICKEN RELATIVES FOUND THE WILL. Sheridan Post Enterprise September 7, 1924 Page 1 Transcribed by Kay Wallick. Kay and her husband DJ Purcell are remodeling a house on the property where the dance hall stood. The rock formation of the dance hall is still standing. More to come about the fire in upcoming newsletters.

# **BIG HORN DANCE HALL DESTROYED BY BLAZE AND \$3,000 REWARD IS OFFERED FOR "FIRE BUG"**

#### Employee Nearly Loses Life as Flames Attack Wooden Building—Rumor Says Man Drenched Place with Gasoline in Incendiary Plot— Outbuildings are Saved.

Believing that the fire which destroyed the Big Horn amusement hall Saturday morning was of incendiary origin, the Big Horn Amusement company Saturday offered a reward of \$3,000 for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who started the \$20,000 blaze.

"Bill" Nick, a middle-aged man who slept in the dance pavilion at night, barely escaped with his life when he awoke at 12:15 o-clock Saturday morning to find the entire building a mass of flames. Leaving his clothes and bed clothing behind, Nick rushed from the burning structure and called for help, but there were few persons within hearing distance and nothing could be done to halt the roaring fire.

The pumper engine of the Sheridan fire department made a run at 1 o'clock to the dance hall, which is located beyond Big Horn, about 10 miles from Sheridan, after Chief M.J. Troyer had been notified by the police department of the fire.

By pumping water from Little Goose Creek, the fire department, with the aid of Big Horn citizens, were able to save the engine house and the garage, but the main building was virtually demolished when the department arrived.

Between 25 and 29 persons were helplessly watching the blaze when the department reached Big Horn, and many of the men aided the firemen as two streams of water were played on the smoking ruins. The crowd grew in size shortly after 1 o'clock as many people were attracted by the light in the sky, which was visible in Sheridan.

Harry Mavrakis of Monarch, manager of the Big Horn Amusement company, announced that the company's investment was approximately \$20,000.

The loss on the building will be approximately \$6,000 over the insurance which amounted to about 80% of the entire value of the building, it was stated by C. V. Davis of the Agency of Service, which carried the insurance.

The amusement company, which began business scarcely more than one year ago, is considering plans to rebuild the structure, Mr. Mavrakis said, adding that nothing definitive could be announced, however.

No reason for the belief that the fire was of incendiary origin was given by Mr. Mavrakis, who said that no person or cars were seen about the hall Friday night or early Saturday morning and that the watchman did not see anyone when he was awakened by the fire. The entire structure, including dance hall, lunchroom and ice cream stand was more than 160 feet in length and 60 feet in width. The dance floor was 60 by 100 feet in size and the lunchroom was 60 by 60 feet in size.

Nothing in the building was saved, and the loss included lunchroom equipment, piano and dance hall fixtures.

Rumors heard at the scene of the fire were that the watchman awakened to see a man throw a bucketful of gasoline on the building, touch the gasoline with a match and escape in a car. The rumors, however, could not be confirmed.

There had been no dance during the week at the hall because of the fair in Sheridan, but the regular Saturday night dance was to have been given.

The hall was first opened to the public on Labor Day, September 4, 1923 and was just one year and two days old at the time of the fire.

Help of any kind in the home sphere is obtained by the wise and up-to-date housewife through Ads



# TODAY

Our museum was chosen as a featured article in the Wyoming tourist magazine.

# **BIG HORN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

# **BOZEMAN TRAIL MUSEUM IN BIG HORN**

Built in 1879 by the Rock Creek Stage Line, the Blacksmith Shop, now home to the Bozeman Trail Museum originally satisfied the needs of the nearby Bozeman Trail, connecting southeastern Wyoming to Virginia City, Montana. It had been 1878, when O.P. Hanna decided to build his cabin near a clear creek, in a sheltered meadow with a magnificent view of the Big Horn Mountains. This was to be the first homestead cabin in what is now Sheridan County. By 1881, pioneer families started settling in Big Horn City, a name chosen by O.P. Hanna



Refurbishing of the deteriorating building began in 1936 and an additional refurbishing effort was completed under the guidance of the Big Horn Bi-Centennial Committee of 1976. Upon completion of the project, historic items of interest were gradually

moved into the building for safe-keeping. Museum Director, Judy Slack, says some items of interest in the museum are dental tools, a pump organ, portions of the 1881 post office, dairies, artwork, photograph multiplex of pioneer families, blacksmith and farm implements, pioneer clothing, Indian artifacts, and other collectables from local families.

The museum is open weekends during the summer months from 11 am to 4 pm. Located 10 miles south of Sheridan at the south end of Johnson Street in Big Horn, they share property with the Big Horn Women's Club. Call 307-674-6363 for information.







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COST: Hole in the Wall = \$85 Dull Knife = \$75

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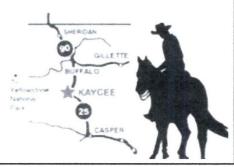
The Hoofprints of the Past Museum is pleased to present a one of a kind historical tour of the famed Hole-In-The-Wall area on June 26th and of the Dull Knife Battlefield on June 27th.

#### FIND REGISTRATION FORM ON THE WEBSITE

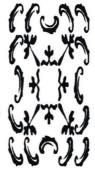
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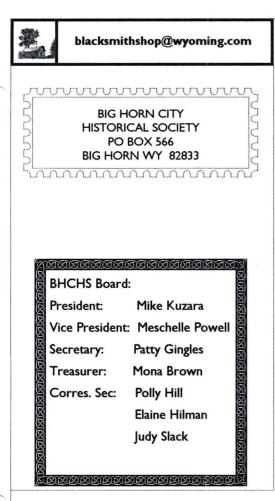
**BETTE BERRY'S MEMORIAL** SERVICE TO BE HELD JULY 11TH SUNDAY FROM NOON-2PM **@ THE BIG HORN WOMAN'S CLUB** LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED



June 27, 2010 Zane Hilman Family Stories (a) the Hilman Ranch Pot luck picnic

ALSO-Sam Morton to sign books

Meet at BH Woman's Club at 1PM & we will car pool. In case of rain we will meet at the BHWC.



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Big Horn Woman's Club will be celebrating their 100th anniversary this summer on August 22nd.

# A partial transcription of these 100 year old minutes:

"Big Horn, Wyo., Nov. 25, 1910

The Women's Club met with Mrs. Lowry. The minutes of last meeting read & corrected. By motion made and carried it was decided to have a mid-year Banquet. Exact time to be decided at a latter date. Business was put aside for a few minutes and papers be the following members were read—

I. French explorations & settlements in America—Mrs. Wood

II. Spanish & Sweedish explorations and settlements in America-Miss Willits

III. Dutch explorations & settlements in America—Merle Hensinger

Current events-Ruth Hensinger.

The papers were very much appreciated. Business was again taken up.

By motion made & carried the Carnation was adopted for the Club Flower.

# ANNUAL **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** • SINGLE YOUTH.....\$3 SINGLE ADULTS......\$8 COUPLE/ FAMILY ...... \$16 • BUSINESS.....\$20 ORGANIZATION......\$20 DUES ARE ALWAYS DUE THE 1ST OF SEPTEMBER. Please send stories, photos, comments, suggestions and corrections to: BHCHS PO Box 566

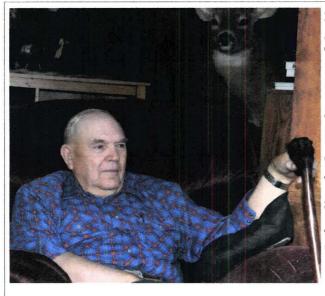
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THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM THE MEMBERS ON THESE TOPICS. Please take the time to fill out the form and mail back to us. Thank you for your help!

MEETINGS:
Keep meeting days as is (4th Sunday—September through May)yesno
Is it ok to reschedule meetings around holidays?yesno
Would you like Quarterly meetings?(Sept + Dec + Mar +June)?
What changes should we make?
Ideas:
MEALS:
Keep the pot luck/carry in lunch?yesno
Should we have the society provide:meat dish
(such as fried chickenmeat tray
Should we have the Senior Center hot meals (cost about \$4 per person)?yesno
(This was suggested to encourage our seniors to attend without feeling obligated to cook or
bring a dish to the meetings.)
PROGRAMS: Please provide some ideas for programs.
Presenters & Topics:
TOURS:
What cost would be acceptable for tours?
Any other suggestions? What can the BHCHS do to get more of you involved with activities or ideas to sustain our group?
THANK YOU.

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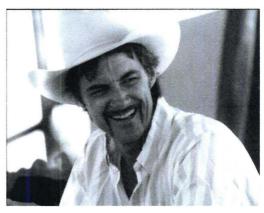


#### SUNDAY-JUNE 27TH-

ZANE HILMAN PROGRAM PRESENTER FOR OUR JUNE MEETING. He will tell his family history and stories of his ancestors who were some of Big Horn's earliest pioneers. It will be extra special to hear this history on the land that his grandfather homesteaded. Stories of "Bear" Davis, Aunt Jenny & the James gang, Butch Cassidy and more.

SAM MORTON WILL BE AT THE JUNE 27TH PICNIC TO SIGN BOOKS. HEWILL HAVE HIS 2 BOOKS AVAILABLE TO SIGN:

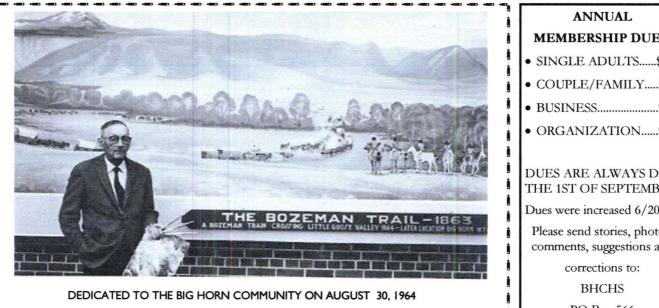
# WHERE THE RIVERS RUN NORTH & LAND OF THE HORSE



NEXT MEETING DATE JUNE 27TH @Ip.m. MEET AT THE BIG HORN WOMAN'S CLUB—AND WE WILL CAR POOL TO THE HILMAN'S FROM BIG HORN. LUNCH with Program to follow. The BHCHS will provide the fried chicken and beverage. Everyone please bring a SALAD OR DESSERT. Bring a lawn chair if you wish. If it rains we will eat at the Woman's Club.







# THE BOZEMAN TRAIL CENTENNIEL

Our dear friend, George Ostrom, standing by his mural—THE BOZEMAN TRAIL 1863. We hope to know soon the future home of this precious Big Horn Community artifact. Many of us watched him paint while eating our lunch in the cafeteria. Thank you George. (The town donations totaled \$500 to pay him for his work.)

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