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#### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT Virginia Caranci

I am pleased to say we had a very busy summer and it seems like we are always busy no matter what season it is. Isn't that great!

The auction was a great success on the 4th of July. All the hard work paid off because we made \$1800. Marion Junior made another beautiful doll and raffle tickets were sold starting July 4th until Labor day when the lucky winner, Pat Finleon, took her home.

The Italian Festa was enjoyed by all who attended. We had a beautiful display of Italian artifacts in the Community Building. Our display consisted of real treasures loaned to us for the day by the oldest Italians in Louisville; Rome Perrella, Mary Enrietto, Frank Rizzi and Mary Santilli.

On Labor day we had our annual open house. Many people visited our newly air-conditioned building. The World War II servicemen tapes were shown and punch and cookies served.

The house museum was badly in need of scraping and painting. We were fortunate to be able to hire a professional painter to do the job. It felt great to sit back and watch someone else do the work. (With all the volunteer hours everyone puts in, it was nice not to have to paint it ourselves.) Thanks to a successful 4th of July and very generous memorial donations, we were able to pay for the air conditioning and paint job.

As chairperson of the commission I would like to thank everyone who worked so hard and put in so many hours putting the auction together, cleaning the museum and cataloging. A thank you to Marion Junior for the making of the beautiful doll and to Ron Buffo for putting together the newsletter everyone enjoys so much.

#### LOUISVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

A big thank you goes to all of you people who have been so generous in donating money and your priceless artifacts to the museum. Without your generosity and trust in giving us your treasures we wouldn't be able to have two beautiful museums in our great city of Louisville.

I know I speak for the entire commission in saying, "Thank you again, come and see the museums and visit with us, we'd like to see you."

#### PARADE OF LIGHTS

The Louisville Historical Commission in conjunction with the Louisville Theatre Group will be presenting a very special event on December 7, 1990.

The house museum will be the focal point for three vignettes (short skits) that will portray life in Louisville in 1914. The Commission and Theatre Group are presently working together so as to guarantee historical accuracy reflecting the time period. Dr. Pasco Scarpella has worked very hard wrting a script for this occasion.

Small groups of people will enter the house to view each vignette taking place in the front room, bedroom and kitchen of house. Dr. Wolfer, an early Louisville doctor, will be portrayed.

The vignettes will be presented before and after the annual Parade of Lights. Specific times will be advertised.

Additionally, the store museum will also be opened on the night of December 7th and Commission and Society members will be serving hot wassail as a part of our continuing tradition.

#### CURATOR'S CORNER

by Betty Buffo

Volunteers have been working with great diligence at the museum. Dick Franchini, Bob Enrietto, Eileen Schmidt, John Garcia, Don Buffo and Betty Buffo have been sorting newspaper articles and photos. These items are then stored in acid free boxes and folders to assure their longevity.

Additionally, we have written information on the mine tools so the public can match the information with the tools.

We sincerely thank our donors and volunteers for the important work in preserving our heritage.

# ARTIFACT ACQUISITIONS

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(Since April)

Lewis Romans - Last stand and shoe lasts.

Welcome Miller - Collection of photos.

Elizabeth Friden - Monkey stove, braided rug, clock, lamp, butter churn, horn, candle holders used in mines, hat, crock, jug, bottles, salt and pepper shakers, carving set, spoons, bowl, pocket watch, books, straight razor, binoculars, dishes, documents, school desk, bell.

Kady Sturtz - Dress form.

Vaughn McNalley - Work statements from Rocky Mountain Fuel Company.

Andrea Buffo Family - Scythe, scythe sharpener,

hammers, corn planter.

James Graves - Complete football rosters 1937-1955. William Peltier - Surveying transit, two telephones used in Centennial Mine, motor car bell, miners hat.

Kenneth Buffo Family - Pizzel iron.

#### LILLIAN BUFFO MEMORIALS

The following people or organizations have donated money in the memory of Lillian Buffo. Thank you very much for your generosity.

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E.G. & G. - Rocky Flats

## HOLIDAY TRADITIONS

by Eilene Schmidt

Many of the early coal miners who settled in the Boulder Valley were of English, Irish, and Welsh descent. These men brought their wives and children with them to establish homes in this area. They also brought with them many of their customs and traditions. The families always gathered together for their traditional holiday dinners. This was a time of joy in spite of of the fact that there were very few material pleasures; there was happiness and a sense of security. Many of these people played musical instruments (the harmonica or "Jews harp") and there was always singing. One of the traditional foods served at these dinners was a dessert called "Plum Pudding." The recipe follows:

#### **PLUM PUDDING**

3 cups sifted flour
1 tsp. soda
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. cloves
1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1 cup candied fruit

1 tsp. salt
1 cup suet
1 cup sour milk
1 cup molasses
1 cup raisins
1 cup nuts

Mix and sift the dry ingredients, keeping one-half cup of flour to sift over the raisins. Chop the suet fine and add it to the mild and molasses. Combine the two mixtures and add the raisins and the candied fruit which have been dredged with flour. Grease pudding molds or baking powder cans and fill two-thirds full of the mixture. Cover and steam for three hours. Serve with hard sauce or any desired liquid sauce.

#### HARD SAUCE

1/3 cup butter1 cup powdered sugar

1 tsp. vanilla or rum flavoring

Cream the butter until very soft, ten add the sugar and the flavoring. Set in a cool place until serving. Cream or mild may be added, with more sugar to make more sauce.

#### LEMON SAUCE

1/2 cup sugar 1 tablespoon corn starch 2 tablespoons lemon juice

nutmeg
2 tablespoons butter
1 cup boiling water

Mix the sugar and corn starch, add the boiling water (a little at a time) and a pinch of salt and boil until thick and clear. Continue cooking over hot water for twenty minutes. Beat in the butter and the lemon juice. A bit of grated lemon rind may be added.

#### EDWARD AFFOLTER

by Eilene Schmidt

Edward Affolter was a life-long resident of Boulder County and of Louisville since his graduation from law school at the University of Nebraska. He was born November 12, 1876 to Frederick and Elizabeth Ruth Affolter on their homestead in the vicinity of Haystack Mountain northeast of Boulder which his family had acquired in the early 1860's. He was the third of eight children born on the homestead.

Edward received his early education at the old Burlington Stage Station south of Longmont and later attended Longmont schools. He attended Colorado A & M (which is now known as Colorado State University) in Fort Collins for two years before transferring to the University of Nebraska in Lincoln where he studied law.

After graduation from the University he located in Louisville where he established his home and developed a large law practice. His office was located in the historical building at the corner of Pine and Main where many businesses were established later. Karen's Kitchen, a well-known bakery and restaurant, now occupies this old building. He became an acknowledged authority on many branches of law, especially those dealing with irrigation, coal mining and municipalities. As an active member of the community, he was town attorney for twenty years, was a member of the local school board for four years, and served as president of the Rod and Gun Club for many years.

Mr. Affolter was one of the organizers of the Louisville-Lafayette Coal Company which opened the Hi-Way Mine and he served as its secretary-treasurer until 1952.

As a leader in the Democratic party, he was elected to the state senate where he served two terms. His terms of office in the state senate were from 1912 to 1915 and from 1932 to 1936. While serving as a senator he sponsored the bill that created the present fish and game commission and was co-author of the original compensations act. He was also a staunch supporter of the University of Colorado.

Mr. Affolter was a member of the Knights of Pythias for 44 years; was president of the Cololrado Conservation Association in 1937 and 1938; served as president of the Boulder Fish and Game Club; and was president of the Boulder County Bar Association.

On December 30, 1903 Edward and Mattie Robinson were married in Waltonville, Illinios. Three daughters and one son were born to them. Their son, John, was owner of the Red and White grocery store which was located on Main Street

# POLITICAL FORECASTS TWO AND FOUR YEARS HENCE

(According to the Louisville Times in 1921)

- 1. The next congress will be accused of ignorance, greed and extravagance.
- 2. It will be announced four years from now that what the country needs is a business administration.
- Ninety percent of the pre-election promises will not be fulfilled. But then the greater majority of the voters will have forgotten what those promises were anyway.
- 4. Taxes will continue high. Talk will continue to be cheap.
- 5. Hard times will be in vogue, no matter what the real situation.
- The Democrats will still be regarded as inefficient by the rank and file of the Republicans
  while the former will accuse the latter of everything rotten included in the political category.
- 7. The lobbyists will again be using the steps of the nation's capitol as a roosting place, ever eager to thwart any move that tends to favor the best interests of the public at large.

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flat cans 15¢
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(circa 1921)

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#### SMORE NEWS

(Taken from the Louisville Times - October 7, 1920)

Lawrence Mossoni has been working on his bowling alleys and put them in excellent condition for the fall and winter season, and offers a prize of \$1 for any man bowling the score of 200 for the first time.

Four hose jackets have been ordered by the Town Board for the Firemen of Louisville also a shut off nozzle for the hose. Clerk N.E. Rockley went to Denver Thursday to get same.

The banquet that was planned several weeks ago, by and for the Fire boys, but postponed after the Interurban wreck. Will be held be held in the dining room of the Redmen Hall, Saturday evening, October 9.

Jimmie (Shorty) James has accepted a position with Lawrence Mossoni in the pool hall as soda slinger.

Alfred Haynes and family arrived last week from England, and expect to make their home here. They are stopping now with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haynes on LaFarge Avenue, and he has gone to work in the Centennial Mine.

# REMEMBER !

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FRIDAY, DEC. 7.
LOUISVILLE THEATRE GROUP
PRESENTING THREE
HISTORICAL VIGNETTES.

### BEFORE AND AFTER THE PARADE OF LIGHTS

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