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PROGRAM FOR JULY 25, 2015 - DAY OF THE AMERICAN COWBOY - GRASS TO BURGERS - THE STORY OF THE BEEF INDUSTRY:



Bunk House Burgers is a locally owned, family partnership that is proud of its ranching history. The Chess Shoemaker ranch began as a homestead in 1899 in Garden Park located north of Canon City. This working ranch has remained in the family for four generations. During these years, the family has been devoted to the cattle industry and has been committed to producing high-quality beef for the market place. This passion opened the door for Yampa Valley Beef which specializes in all natural grass-fed beef. We are proud that this quality beef is the restaurant's signature and is used for all hamburgers at Bunk House Burgers.

COME HEAR THE STORY OF THE BEEF INDUSTRY IN FREMONT COUNTY, COLORADO

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PICTURES AND STORIES about new exhibit "REEL to SILVER SCREEN"

Left below: Donna Murphy, Pike Holman, Beverly Embry
 Right below: Sue Cochran. Left bottom: Archivist Lisa Studts

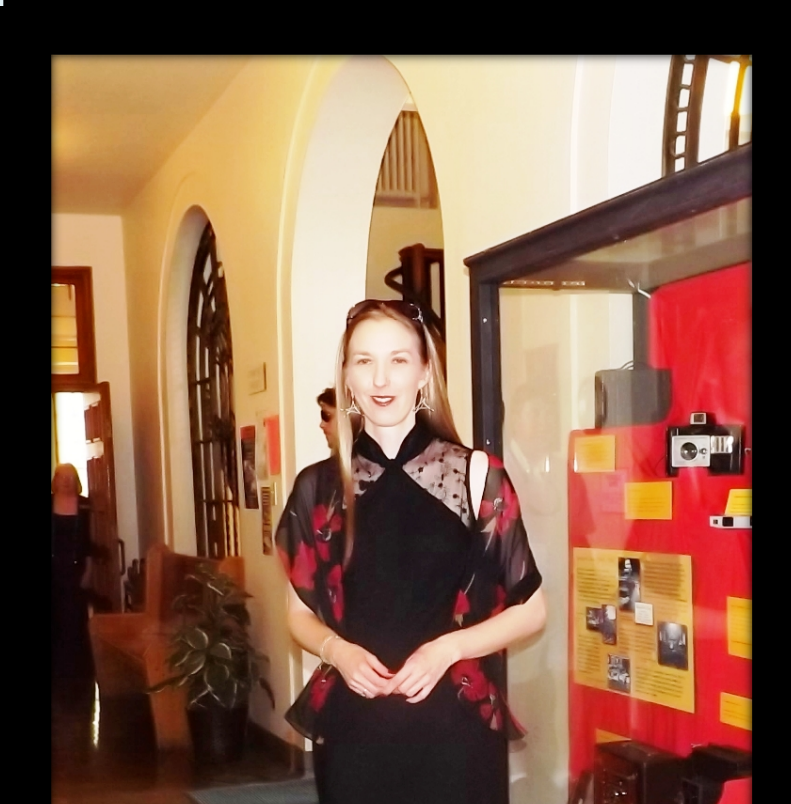


EXHIBIT OPENING :
JUNE 5, 2015

**FROM REEL TO SILVER
 SCREEN**

The members and others were treated to a great exhibit opening night - with popcorn provided by the Golden Age Center, lemonade and other drinks. Strolling through the exhibit on the Movie Industry in Fremont County in the early 1900's is an astounding revelation.

We have been blessed with great weather, old buildings and super stars for "extras". Please stop by if you can and enjoy this beautiful exhibit.

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Pike Holman is the Paleo Consultant hired for the summer with grant funds from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Pike is working on the Federal Fossil Collection in helping to identify a majority of the specimens, catalog the fossils, and re-house the collection into archival storage boxes and secure storage cabinets. Pike was a former intern at the BLM Royal Gorge Field Office and volunteered at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science in the Earth Science Department. He has a down a tremendous job with the Federal Fossil Collection so far and has taught the museum staff a lot about this fabulous collection of fossils. The museum hopes to receive another grant from BLM to redesign the fossil exhibit in the near future.



NEWS FROM THE ARCHIVIST DESK:

BOOK SALE BOOK SALE BOOK SALE

The museum has received some wonderful estate items in the last year; we are so grateful for the donations people want to make to our history.

However, there are some items we already have (duplicates) and some items which do not relate to Fremont County in any meaningful way – therefore:

The Book Sale will be ongoing in the Event Room for the next two months (or until all are sold). This is a donation only price list; however, we do expect you to pay a fair price for books that you choose. (Some books are \$200.00 bargains, so be generous.)

Please come in and see the selection now, while it is still fairly large. You can browse at your leisure and determine your cost and pay one of the staff as you leave.



THE POPCORN CREW FROM GOLDEN AGE CENTER, Loren and Vickie



Adam and Natalie - Portraying Ryan and Hussy

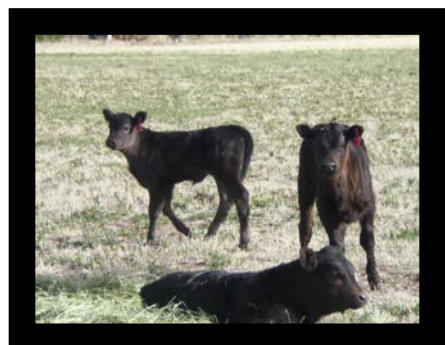
MORE PICTURES FROM THE EXHIBIT OPENING:



Ladies enjoying the movies and "Tom Mix"



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Kathleen Shoemaker and Wayne Shoemaker, the youngest and oldest children of Bob and Helen Shoemaker will host a program for the Day of the Cowboy at the Canon City Heritage Center, July 25, 2015, Saturday at 1:00 pm . They will be sharing details of their ranch heritage, how ranching has changed and how ranchers adapt to the changing market for beef. The Chess-Shoemaker family legacy began in the spring of 1898 when Grant and Elizabeth Chess moved from Sedalia, Colorado to Garden Park. They are the grandparents of Helen Shoemaker and the great grandparents to Kathleen and Wayne. Bob and Helen, both in their nineties, are well-known ranchers and community contributors. Through this program, participants will get to know Kathleen and Wayne.

Wayne is the man behind the Yampa Valley Beef label. He is a 4th generation rancher and has spent many years selecting, raising, and processing the highest quality all natural beef. He has been in part creating this product since he was a young boy working on the family ranch that his great grandparents homesteaded.

Kathleen’s dream has always been to open her own restaurant after operating other people’s restaurants for years. With her brother’s all natural grass fed beef business already in place it seemed like the perfect opportunity to open a hamburger restaurant featuring all natural grass fed beef. With the support of family and friends Bunk House Burgers was born, and opened January 15th 2013.

Please come for this informative program. Bring your questions.

**BUNK HOUSE BURGERS – OUR PROGRAM FOR JULY 25, 2015
DAY OF THE AMERICAN COWBOY –
Museum Event Center, 1:00 p.m. Saturday**

We now have a new sculpture! It is Bird Millman, a native of Cañon City, who spent her life on a high wire. Thanks to Robert Henderson Studios for displaying her at Bunk House Burgers.



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- #1: GERALDINE COLLETTE, LIFETIME MEMBER and chairman of the Friends of the Museum & History Center, longtime member of Fremont County Cattlewomen
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