

# From Time to Time

A Quarterly Publication of the Commerce City Historical Society
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# **BEST COMMERCE CITY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2018**

# **VICTORY CROSSING:**

**\$\$7887 E. 60th Avenue** 

# **IRONDALE:**

8420 Ulster Street

# **FRONTERRA:**

**\$\$16068 E. 97**th Way

**15333 E. 100th Court** 

# **HARVEST MEADOWS:**

**10153** Fairplay

10164 Fairplay

**10046** Fraser

# **REUNION:**

🔯 10730 Norfolk Avenue

🔯 10740 Norfolk Avenue

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# **RIVER RUN:**

# Oakland

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# **STILLWATER**

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KING RANCH THORNTON

\$\$12198 King Ranch Court





# Celebrating Ten Years!



Current CCHS board members: (I-r) Sheila Harris, Membership; Esther Hall, President; Pam Meiers, Vice President and Debra Bullock, Secretary/Treasurer. Historian is vacant.

# Proud we are... Commerce City has a thriving Historical Society

Yes, proud the citizens of Commerce City are. They have an active Historical Society that came into being in 2009. A core group wanted to preserve the history of Commerce City and those most actively involved in this were: Joann Stevinson, president; Debra Bullock; secretary / treasurer; Esther Hall, current president; Pam Meier, vice president; Reba Drotar, historian; and Sheila Harris, membership chairman. (First membership chair was Thelma Cole.) And, we can't forget June Younger who was a key player in this organization as the first historian, edited the first newsletters, photographed and wrote about the old Adams City High School and the move to the new location on Quebec.

Donations of old photos, historical items, shelves, frames, gear, telephones, albums, washing machines, vintage clothing, train memorabilia, shelving and even an 1850's doctor's carriage were donated and the City of Commerce City made it possible for us to lease the current museum site. The Commerce City Historical Center is located at 6505 E. 60th Ave., Commerce City, open Mon. -Sat. from 10 am - 2 pm. We are proud of our Museum and invite you to come by and tour the building. There is no charge. Donations are accepted.

CCHS is outgrowing their space and needs larger quarters. CCHS can rotate some displays in various buildings within the City. We have complete displays on the fire and water departments, the Commerce City Charter, and significant Commerce City events. We are working on the local Adams 14 and 27J Schools and a complete history of Commerce City.

Volunteers are needed to help keep the Museum open, to do research, help with displays, write family histories (yours and others).

CCHS has come a long ways and still has a way to go. We would welcome many kinds of help.

# **Annual Awards Reception**

On April 28, 2019, we will have our Annual Awards Reception at the Yellow Rose..The Commerce City Historical Society honors people and businesses in our community who have profoundly and positively affected our history. If you have someone that you would like to nominate please complete the form on page 8 and submit to the Commerce City Historical society Museum by February 15, 2019.

# Did you know...

The Commerce City Historical Society pays for supporting the museum through Memberships, Grants, and Individual Donations. Being a member helps us maintain the museum. If you are not already a member, please consider becoming a member in 2019. See page 5 for an application.

# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

### Claudia Barnes

Claudia Courtright Barnes volunteers at the museum on Fridays. Claudia has lived in Commerce City for 68 years and is a 1965 graduate of Adams City High School. Claudia retired from Adams County where she worked as a Grants Co-coordinator. She has two sisters, Carla Benallo and Charlene Busk, one son Ted Garcia, a daughter in



Law Lori Garcia and two grandchildren. She is an asset to the CCHS and brings her knowledge of Commerce City to our museum volunteers.

Thank you for your Service Claudia! We are grateful for your commitment in serving so we can have a staffed museum.

### JoAnn Hardt

Every December the CCHS Board of Directors gives a Christmas cash donation to a needy person or family. This year we gave the donation to JoAnn Hardt. JoAnn is one of the museum volunteers and we wanted to help her have a Merry Christmas and give her a boost into the New Year.



Thank you JoAnn for all you do in Commerce City!

# 2018 Commerce City Historical Society Accomplishments

# January

Volunteer Reception – Jan 13 Picked up newspapers from the Brighton Blade Started a Student Volunteer program – Maggie McEldowney first volunteer

# **February**

City Council Presentation – Monday February 5 Completed and printed 2017 Winter Newsletter

# March

Central City Bus Trip March 11
Received Quality Community Foundation Grant
Lecture – Germans from Russia in Commerce City

# **April**

Coloring Book distribution to all 2nd grade students (School District 14 and 27J) 1000 children April 12 & 13. Added 20 new pages.

# May

Completed and printed the Spring newsletter From Time to Time Luncheon Sunday May 7 Participated in the Memorial Day Parade – received 2nd place for Spirit Award

# June

Hosted table at neighborhood outreach – June 14 at Fronterra
June 30 – Camp David Lecture

# July

Installed History display at the Bison Ridge recreation Center-July 9
Completed and printed the Summer Newsletter

# August

Hosted table at neighborhood outreach – {Pioneer Park) – August 9



# September

Signed Document Agreement with the City Hosted a table at the SACVFD Spaghetti Dinner Sat Sept 8 Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center Fourth Anniversary and car show Saturday September 15 Received Commerce City History Archives from the city Hosted Commerce City Elected officials and Department Heads Sept 29

# October

Completed and distributed Fall Newsletter

# November

City Bus Tour for the CC Leadership Program – November 2

### **December**

Participated in Derby Winter Festival Donated cookies and worked a
coloring table Dec 1
Christmas Light Bus Tour and holiday
giving program - December 15
Card Deck fundraiser



Sean Ford

**Esther Hall** 

**Bob Hutchings** 

**Dorothy Hutchings** 

# **Charter Members**

Joy Bishop Gene Leffel Hester Bonnell **David Lutter** Debra Bullock **Dustin McIntyre** Rene` Bullock Loretta Petty Thelma Cole Don Sater Cindy Comstock JoAnn Stevenson Gary Comstock Dick Stevenson Kristi Douglas Janet Union Steve Douglas Norm Union Gary Drotar June Younger Reba Drotar Troy Younger Samantha Ford

# Museum Volunteers

Rene` Bullock Harley Hall Claudia Barnes Debra Bullock JoAnn Hardt Sheila Harris Esther Hall Thelma Cole Maria

Zepeda-Sanchez Pam Meier Shelley Bonnell Ann VanVleet

# From Time to Time Newsletter

A Quarterly Publication of the Commerce City Historical Society, 6505 E. 60th Avenue, Commerce City, Colorado 80022

**Board Members** 

Esther Hall, President, 303.249.1930 Pam Meier, Vice President, 303.901.7486 Debra Bullock, Secretary/Treas., 303.946.3426 Sheila Harris, Membership, 720.939.0582

### **Advisory Board Members**

JoAnn Stevenson, Casey Hayes, Janet Union, Reba Drotar, Thelma Cole, Valerie Medina

# Adams County News and Information Adams County Historical Books Restored

Adams County, CO – The first phase of restoration for the Adams County Recording Department's Grantor Grantee books is complete. These tomes date back to 1902, and the first phase included 83 books.

Preservation of the books included rebinding, cleaning, removing tape from pages, mending pages, treating them to avoid fading, and putting them in acid-free page protectors.

"This project brought books that were in very poor condition to looking nearly new," says Erin Brim, Recording Manager. "The handwritten pages are legible and protected so that our citizens can use them without further damage."

There are currently more than 1,200 books needing to be restored. The restoration project began in 2018 and will continue over the next five years.

"It's very exciting that these historical texts will be preserved and protected for years to come," says Stan Martin, Clerk and Recorder. "The citizens of Adams County who rely on these books will be better served by their new condition."

# **Commerce City Historical Society**

Twitter: cchistoricalsociety@yahoo.com Facebook: Commerce City Historical Society

Website: cchistoric.com

Email: cchistoricalsociety@yahoo.com Address: 6505 East 60th Avenue Commerce City, CO 80022 Phone: 303-288-2590

Museum Hours: Mon. - Sat. 10am - 2 pm

6505 E 60th Ave., Commerce City

### **Museum Visitors**

Oct. - 20 Nov. - 34 Dec. -16



# **Senior Advisory Committee visits Museum**

Tues/. Nov. 13, 2018 the Commerce City Recreations Center (Eagle Pointe) Senior Advisory Committee held their meeting at the Commerce City Historical Society Museum. (*Photo not available*)

Are you looking for a way to get involved in your city? We are looking for a new board member for the Commerce City Historical Society. If you are interested, please complete the application on page 10 and send to 6505 East 60th Avenue, Commerce City, Colorado 80022 or email to cchistoricalsociety@yahoo.com. by Feb. 15 please

### **Museum Volunteers**

Museum volunteers needed

Information gatherers and helpers in the Museum, research, writers, administrative help, display organizers, help with moving displays, etc.

For information call: Esther Hall, president: 303.249.1930 Debra Bullock: 303.946.3426



### New Members - Oct. - Dec. 2018

Marianne Swayze Melissa Rossback Chris Connon Dale & Teri Mingilton

### Renewals

Tom Schrah
Dave & Charlene Busby
David & Sherrie Hage
Cindy & Bob Klein
Joe Stongle
Beverly VanDeWeghe
Maria Zepeda-Sanchez

Jason & Maria Carabajal Pam Meier Hester Bonnell Rene' & Debra Bullock Harley & Esther Hall Bob & Dorothy Hutchings Norm & Janet Union Linda Andolsek Teresa Muniz

### Submissions for Newsletter

All submissions are welcome.

Debra Bullock, Photos/Stories, 303.946.3426

Janet Union, Editor, 303.288-4768 or
unionnorm@qwestoffice.net

Proofreading: Valerie Medina, 720.422.0521
vmedina75@yahoo.com

# **Commerce City Historical Society**

# **Application for Membership**

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Please make checks		-				
Individual Family Business/Corporation Life Membership Senior Lifetime Membership (Age 65)		\$25.00 \$100.00 \$500.00	(per year)(per year)(one time) 0(one time)			
Are you a Veteran? YesNo What Branch?  DATE PAID How would you like to be notified of meetings and the Newsletter? Email phonemail						
<u></u>	or questions pleas					
Phone Calls	TILLIK OI		Working at Events			
Work at the Mus	seum		Moving Items			

# **Commerce City Historical Society**

# 2019 Calendar Commerce City Historical Society

# Membership Meetings - 6 pm

(Meetings held at Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center 6 pm, 6505 E. 60th Avenue

January 18, 2019

March 15, 2019 (Annual Meeting)

May 17, 2019

July 19, 2019

September 20, 2019

November 15, 2019

# **Board Meetings**

Second Monday of every month at 6pm

### Annual Events

Central City Fundraiser - Sunday, March 17, 2019
"From Time to Time" Luncheon - Sunday, April 28, 2019
Commerce City History
Coloring Contest Recognition - May 18, 2019

Memorial Day Parade - Monday, May 27, 2019 Central City Fundraiser - Sunday, September 8, 2019 CCHS Museum Anniversary Car Show Saturday, September 21, 2019

Dinner with the Dead at Riverside Cemetery - TBD Christmas Lights History Bus Tour, Saturday, December 14, 2019

# Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center

Hours: Monday - Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm

# **Programs 2019**

History School Lectures (as requested)
Museum Group Tours (as requested)
History Quarterly Lecture Series (see brochure)
Mar., June, Sept., Dec.

History Coloring Book Distribution (Thurs., Apr. 11 & Fri., Apr 12)

Reading Book Distribution (Thurs., May 2 & Fri., May 3)

Arsenal Repository Tour (June 14, 2019) Grange Tea with *The Women of the West* (Aug. 24, 2019

City Council & City Employee Reception (August 2019)

Commerce City History Bus Tour (Nov. 1, 2019)

Outreach Information Tables
(Senior Pancake Breakfast, May 4
City Outreach, June 13 & Aug. 8
Fire Department Spaghetti Dinner, Sept. 7

ANFRM Meeting at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Wildlife Refuge, Dec. 9

Quarterly Newsletter (Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter)

Holiday Giving Programs (sponsored/family at Christmas)

Video Histories (Families and City Events)



# **COMMERCE CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

# WE'RE HEADED TO THE HILLS



6505 East 60th Avenue

Cost \$10—Contact Esther Hall or Debra Bullock

for tickets-303-249-1930/303-946-3426



GET \$5 Machine Play \$5 Table Play, AND A \$5 meal voucher at the Century Casino

# **CASINO TRIP**



# COMMERCE CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUSINESS AWARD Nomination Form

The Commerce City Historical Society *Business Award* is given to a life time business in Commerce City. To honor longevity (50 years or more) and contributions of time and talent to the City, the people and the area which has profoundly and positively affected our history.

Business Name:
Owner Name:
Owner Name:  Date Business was establisehd:
Address:
Business history (in as much detail as possible describe the Achievement, and contribution to the people and or City of Commerce City, dates if possible, special events and other relevant information).  Person to contact for additional history:
JEAN KLEIN ANGEL AWARD
Nomination Form
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The Commerce City Historical Society has initiated the Jean Klein Angel award to honor recipients that have made contributions of time and talent to the City, the people and the area that profoundly and positively affected our history.
Surname:
First Name:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Address:
Date of Death:
Place of Death:
Name of Spouse:
Names of Children:
Years in City
Life history (in as much detail as possible describe the Achievement, and contribution to the people and or City of
Commerce City, dates if possible, special events and other relevant information).
Person to contact for additional history:
303.288.2590



2018 Vet-to-Vet Dinner Sponsored by the Commerce City Rotary Club and the City of Commerce City Held at the Bison Ridge Recreation Center on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018

# Commerce City Historical Society



# BUY A DECK OF CARDS - \$10.00 PER DECK



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# **Out N About**



Kathy Struwe and family always bake and bring cookies for the children who participate in the Winterfest. Thank you.



Policy development

# **COMMERCE CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

6505 East 60th Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022 303-288-2590 • cchistoricalsociety@yahoo.com

# **Board of Directors Candidate Application**

Date				
Name				
First	MI		Last	Familiar name
Residence Address				
Phone	E-mail			
Employer				
Name			_	
Your title				
Type of business or organiz				
Primary service(s) and area	a/population served			
Preferred method of contac	t ( ) Work ( ) Resid	dence		
Please list boards and com recreational, religious, socia		or have served on (business, o	civic, community, fraternal, po	olitical, professional,
Organization	Role/Title	Dates of Service		
Education/Training/Certifica	ites			
Why do you want to be a B	oard Member for the Comn	nerce City Historical Society?		
How do you feel (CCHS) w	ould benefit from your invol	lvement on the Board?		
Are you a member now or h	nave you ever been a mem	ber?	If so, when	
Skills, experience a Finance, accounting Personnel, human resour Administration, managem Nonprofit experience Community service	ces Public rel	evaluation ations, communications n, instruction vents	Outreach, advocacy Other Other Other	

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Fundraising

# **In Memoriam**

Darrell A. McCain, Apr 13, 1929 - Nov. 21,

2018, Commerce City, CO Born in: Blue Earth, MN Resided in: Commerce City, CO Darrell A. McCain, 89, TSGT-USAF.RET of Com-

merce City, CO passed away November 21, 2018 of old age and orneryness!

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Patricia "Pat" of 51 years, his daughter Sherry McCain, and brother-in-law John Waalkens. Darrell was born in Blue Earth, MN on April 13,



1929 to Adrian and Dorthey McCain. He grew up near Hayward, MN. He is survived by his 5 children Berry (Tammie Wears) McCain of Lancaster OH, Vicky Palmer of Commerce City CO, Linda (Ron) Leppala of Anaconda MT, Ricky (Carolyn) McCain of Gold Beach OR, and Kelly (Jeff Hulse) McCain of Westminster CO; 10 grandchildren and many greatgrandchildren; and his sister-in-law Judy Waalkens of Glennville MN.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice in Darrell's honor. Memorial Service held on Sat., Dec. 8th at Nativity Lutheran Church in Commerce City, CO at 12500 E 104th Ave. The service was led by Pastor Rich Gianzero. A reception was held after service. Arrangements by Horan & McConaty.

### Alona Rae Amos (1937 - 2018)

Alona Rae Amos, 81, of Commerce City, passed Nov. 1. She was born Aug. 11, 1937, in Scottsbluff, Neb., to the late Arthur and Mildred Thurman. Alona was a housekeeper most of her life and enjoyed it. She started a side business



doing washing and ironing for people she met while working at the Denver Merchandise Mart. Her clients became very near and dear to her during her 50 years of business.

Alona was well known as a wonderful baker and her candy making during the holidays. However, Alona's true pride and passion were her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She cherished every moment she had with each and every one of them.

Survivors include three children, Freddie Lee (Amos), Cheryl Shea and Terri (Ben) Lovato; grandchildren, Crystal Lageman, Jason (Cates), Darrell (Cates), Darlene (Christina) Lopez, Jeremy (Cates), Sophia (David) Goans, Benjamin Lovato, Thomas Shea Jr.; five more grandchildren, two brothers; a sister; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her brothers Rick, Don and Frank Thurman; sisters, Doris Jean Thurman, Judy McCalip; and Debra Cates and Sam Amos, preceded her in death.

Services were Nov. 14, at Aspen Mortuary in Commerce City. A reception followed Alona's ashes will be laid at Mount Lindo in Morrison in the spring.

Nora Federico, May 28, 1934 -

Dec. 22, 2018, 84 of Commerce City, CO passed away 43 years and 1 day after her beloved husband Richard Federico.

Survived by her 7 children: Richard (Diane) Federico, Marcelina Federico, Charles (Connie) Federico, Darlene (Albert) Lopez, Josephine (Joe) Varoz, Thomas (Tina) Federico and Kathleen (Douglas) Eggleston.

Also survived by 25 grandchildren, 69 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild.

Mass of the Christian Burial held Dec. 28, 2018, at Our Lady Mother of the Church 6690 E. 72nd Ave. Commerce City, CO 80022. Divine Mercy prior to mass. Reception immediately following mass at the large hall of Our Lady Mother of the Church.

Interment promptly begins at 2:30pm at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, 12801 W. 44th Ave. Wheat Ridge, CO 80033.

Arrangements by Aspen Mortuaries.

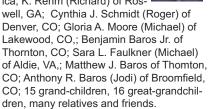
### Ignacita M Baros

Sept. 12, 1934 - Dec. 08, 2018

Ignacita M. Baros (Agnes) passed away Dec.8, 2018 at her home peacefully sur-

rounded by family. Preceded in death by her husband Benjamin Baca Baros.

Survived by children: Christine M. Baros and Isabel C. Baros of Thornton, CO, Veronica; K. Rehm (Richard) of Ros-



Born Sept. 12, 1934, Ignacita was the third child of 11 born to Cecilio and Helena Ulibarri in Trementina, N. M. She has three surviving siblings; Ferminia Brooks, Carmen Ulibarri and Marcelino (Marcy) Ulibarri.

Ignacita married Benjamin on July 8, 1954 in Greeley, CO. They then moved to Ft. Collins in 1955 and finally settled down in Commerce City, CO in 1959 to raise their 9 children. She was a homemaker for most of her life and many other jobs through the years. Her greatest joy was caring for her grand-children, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She loved trips to Black Hawk, visiting family, friends and watching her favorite Soap Operas on television.

Marie E. "Tootie" (Gerke) Ziebarth, 80 of Commerce City, passed away on Dec. 8th, 2018 in Commerce City. Marie was born in Burlington, CO on April 25th 1938 to Walter E. & Ethel E. (Mullis) Gerke.

Marie attended public schools in Burlington, Colorado. When her family moved to Denver she attended South High School.

Most of her life was spent looking after and taking care of her family. In 1968 she married Pat Ziebarth, and moved to Commerce City. Marie always loved the idea of wanting to live back on the farm. She was a collector of many things. Knick Knacks, baby dolls, especially the Ashton Drake dolls. She was a supporter of the Colorado Rockies, and was an avid Denver Broncos fan, she was a season ticket holder since 1968. Her family has held season tickets for 4 generations.

Marie is preceded in death by both parents and four sibilings Dorothy, Janey, Naomi, and Walter. She is survived by husband Pat Ziebarth; daughter, Debra (Allen) Griffith, sister Darlene (Les) Scribner, sister Denise (Johnny) Younger, grandchildren Jana, and Bradley(Jennifer), great grandchildren Riley and Bailey, extended grand children Heather, Will, Nick, David, Nikki, and Becca, extended great grandchildren Katie, Aubrie, Joshua, Emmy, and Piper.

Memorial service held on Fri., Dec. 14 at 10:00 a.m. at Tabor Rice Funeral Home, 75 South 13th Ave., Brighton, Colorado.

# Rebecca C. Manzanares, 79 of Commerce

City, CO. Oct. 13, 1939 - Nov. 21, 2018

Preceded in death by her husband Jose Arnold Manzanares Sr.. Mother of Leonard (Sharon) Armijo, Lorraine (Danny) Leal, Emma (Francisco) Sanchez, Arnold (Erika) Manzanares and Matthew (Frances) Manzanares; Sister of Joann (Junior) Vigil, Manual (Gerri) Aragon, Patricia Aragon and Sister-in-law Antonia Aragon. Preceded in death by her siblings Dolores Aragon, Arthur (Maxine) Aragon, and Christopher Manzanares.

Also sufrened by প্রচারিকিল, 32 great-grand-children, 7 great-grand-children and numerous nephews, nieces, family and friends.

Recitation of the Rosary Dec. 6, 2018 and Mass of the Christian Burial 10:30am Friday, Dec. 7, 2018 all at Our Lady Mother of the Church, 6690 E. 72nd Ave. Commerce City, CO 80022. Arrangements by Aspen Mortuary.

**Ellen P Sweet,** Apr. 27, 1931 - Nov. 20, 2018, 87 Preceded in death by her Parents William and Ora Peachey, her Husband Jack Sweet and Son Jack Sweet Jr.

Survived by her daughter Lola (Patrick) Stroub. Grandchildren Kyle (Samantha) Sweet Sr., Jacob Stroub, Lucas Stroub, Paul Kelly and Tristan James. Great-grandchildren Mathias, Mariah, Anna and Kyle Jr., Also survived by her sister Ada Kelley

She married Jack Sweet Sept. 8, 1951 they were married for 64 years until his death in 2015.

She loved going up to Blackhawk, she almost always won. She also enjoyed working in her garden She lived in Commerce City, Colorado in the same home for 60 years until her death.

Memorial service Dec.7, 2018 at Aspen Magnolia Chapel, . Commerce City, CO. 80022.

### Honorata Manalang Folsom, 74

Oct. 05, 1944 - Nov. 19, 2018 ,Commerce City, CO. Preceded in death by her husband Gerald R. Folsom; Daughter of the late Manuel and Maria Manalang

(Navarro). Mother of Dennis (Jean) Folsom; Charles Folsom; John Folsom; Elizabeth (Teddy) Blair; Grandmother of Richard, Jessica, Jasmine, Christina, Amber, Alex, Corazon, Arianna, Trinity, Hailee, Lanae and Nathaniel. Great grandmother of Liem, Jayven and Analee.

Funeral Service Nov. 30, 2018 at Aspen Magnolia Chapel, Commerce City, CO 80022.

# **In Memoriam**

**Louis Amar Singh,** Nov. 14, 1950 - Nov. 12, 2018

In loving memory of Louis Amar Singh. Born and raised in Colorado. Served in the U.S. Navy on the SS King during Vietnam. Was a devout Catholic and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Survived by his wife Deborah Singh, four children Angie, Adam, Laura and David and 10 grandchildren Tyshaun, Magdalena-Marie, Starr, Mya, Kade, Reagan-Rayne, Phoebe, Allison, Liliana, Abel. Sibling Michael Singh and Liz Hurtado. And many nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded by his parents, sisters Mary and Marie, brothers Joseph and Elmer.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking for donations be made to a go fund me account for his grand children's college funds. Arrangements by Aspen Mortuary

**John Castaneda,** Nov.24, 1945 - Oct. 24, 2018, Commerce City, CO

Son of the late Consuelo Maria Perez and

Vincent Perez. brother of Lucille Castaneda, Christina Perez, Michael Perez, Kathleen Russom, Lupe Perez, Frank Perez, David Perez, Anthony Perez. Preceded in death by his siblings Ruben Castaneda, Vincent Perez Jr., and Helen Perez.



Rosary followed by Mass of the Christian Burial 10:00am, Nov. 2, 2018 at Our Lady Mother of the Church 6690 E. 72nd Ave. Commerce City, CO 80022. Interment, Fairview Cemetery 102 Telluride Street Brighton, CO 80601. Arrangements by Aspen Mortuary.

### Flavio Baldamare Armenta

Mar. 13, 1945 - Oct. 19, 2018

Born in Agua Ramon CO and departed on October 19th, 2018 in his home in Commerce City, CO at 8:00am

He is preceded in death by his parents Andres Armenta(1st) and Elsie Arellano, his



brother Benino Armenta and Grandson Ezra Stephan

He is survived by his ever-loving caring wife, mother & grandmother Yvonne Armenta.

His surviving children are. Andres Armenta (2nd) (Stefani), Franco Armenta, Veronica Armenta (Angelo) & Joshua Armenta.

His surviving grandchildren are: Gabriala Armenta, Isabela Armenta, Rhiannon Armenta, Josiah Stephan, Arrianna Armenta, Andres Armenta (3rd), Seth Rendon, Bryce Rendon, Joshlyn Armenta, Lilliana Armenta & Lincoln Armenta. Surviving sister Casilda Tinoco

Flavio was a very devoted Catholic & Patriot to his country.

He worked as a welder fabricator & later went back to school to become a CNC machinist where he was hired on at the Denver Mint from which he later retired.

Arrangements by Aspen Mortuary.

### Final Farewell to Sergeant Major Archie Robinson

The District is saddened to report that long-time Adams City High School JROTC Instructor Sergeant Major Archie Robinson passed away on Sunday, December 22, 2019

After a long and distinguished military career including decorated service in Korea and Viet Nam, Robinson settled in Colorado and accepted a position at Adams City High School, Marine Corps JROTC as the Marine Instructor for the 1979 school year. Robinson remained at Adams City High School until his retirement in 1995.

Among other honors, in 2012 Sergeant Major Robinson was awarded our nation's highest civilian honor, the Congressional Gold Medal as one of the original Montford Point Marines. On 10 November 2014, the Air Rifle Range at Adams City High School was dedicated in his honor as "Robinson Range."

Funeral Services for Sergeant Major Robinson were Jan. 4, 2019. Viewing and memorial service were at Harvey Park



Church, 3401 S. Lowell Blvd, Denver, CO 80236. The viewing held from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM followed by a memorial service from 12:00 – 13:00 PM. Burial with full military honors took place at 2:15 PM on the same day at Fort Logan National Cemetery, 4400 W. Kenyon Ave., Denver, CO, 80236.

# **Commerce City Historical Society**

# **Application for Membership**

	NAME:						
City History	Address:						
Francisco Co. Marie Co. Ma	Phone Number:  E-Mail  Business Name  Annual	hom	ecell				
Please make checks payable to: Commerce City Historical Society, 6505 E. 60 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Commerce City, Colorado 80022							
Individual       \$10.00							
DATE PAID  How would you like to be notified of meetings and the Newsletter?  Emailphonemail							
For questions please call 303-287-6747							
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES							
Phone Calls		v	Vorking at Events				
Work at the Mus	seum	N	loving Items				

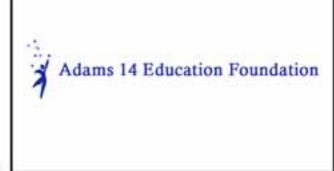
# CCHS appreciates our business members!













Become a
Business Member
and have your ad here!

Call Debra, 303,946,3426 or Esther, 303,249,1930

# **Out N About**



Commerce Chamber of Commerce members sponsored a photo booth at the Winterfest Festival. (Top L - R): Tom Green, Rene Bullock, President; Debra Bullock, Dale Mingleton. (Bottom): Janet Union, Heather LaCrue and Yolanda Gotier.

OUT AND ABOUT
2018 Vet-to-Vet Dinner
Sponsored by the Commerce City Rotary Club and the City of Commerce City
Held at the Bison Ridge Recreation Center on Sunday November 11, 2018

# **Needed ACHS Yearbooks**

Please help. CCHS is looking for year books from the following years:30's, 40's, 1991, 1993, 1998, 2010, and 2013.

# Needed old Photos of the Commerce City area as it used to be

Bring your old photo of the area to the Museum, with dates and identity or unknown identity. CCHS is setting up a file for these photos to preserve our history. If you can't identify, maybe some one else can.

# CCHA appreciates our business members









# 20th Anniversary Winterfest

Pancakes, Pajamas and Santa - 2018 Winterfest was a success. This year's event was sponsored by the City of Commerce City and has been going on in Commerce City for at least 20 years in one form or another. Event was under the direction and facilitation of the Commerce City Business and Professional Association (CCBPA.

Commerce City's children, families and friends of all ages participated in this yearly event. There were over 3500 attendees and most of these individuals did wear pajamas for a prize. In addition to the pajama prize there were opportunities for attendees to participate in the Gingerbread House contest (winners: Cameron Gerlock & Adams City Middle School), Christmas Tree Decorating Contest for \$100 (winner: sponsored by Adams 14 Foundation was Adams City Middle School). Seven school district choirs and orchestras performed (one High School, one Middle School and five Elementary Schools). There were 13 Craft-Activity Tables that ensured attendees were participating and enjoying themselves (varied from storytelling, coloring pages, crafts and letters to Santa).

Craft/Activity tables included support from Non Profits such as Anythink Library, Commerce City Historic Society, Stout Street Foundation, Commerce City Kiwanas, 180 Community Church, Reunion Girl Scout Troop 66794, Arvada Fit Body Boot Camp, Commerce City Chamber, Michelle Dewey and ACHS Students. At least 100 volunteers assisted with set up, clean up and running of the event. 20 bicycles were given away, and 15 lighted Christmas trees were raffled. In addition 800 home-baked cookies were donated from the Kathy Struwe Family, 300 donuts and rolls from Bake Fresh Bakery, and Hot Chocolate and drink table manned by Adams 14 Board of Education Members (Harvest Thomas and Dave Rolla).

Special Appearances for event was escorted by the South Adams Fire District as Santa Claus and Ms. Claus entered the building. This allowed children to take pictures, receive a gift and have opportunity to ask for what they wanted for Christmas. During event 950 pancakes on a stick were eaten and 1,000 goodies bag gifts were given away.

If you were able to attend this year's Winterfest we thank you for participating and if you have not yet participated in past please be on the lookout for this year's 2019 Winterfest in December.

(The CCBPA and City of Commerce City would like to thank everyone for their donated time, energy, supplies and treasures that made a wonderful event possible for all the children of Commerce City.)



Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus reigned over the 2018 Winterfest



Commerce City Historical Society members Valerie Medina and Ann VanVleet are ready for the kids to color.



This young man (center) shows his Christmas art at the 2018 Winterfest at Adams City High Schol on Sat., Dec. 1