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OUR FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Sat., Sept. 19, 2105



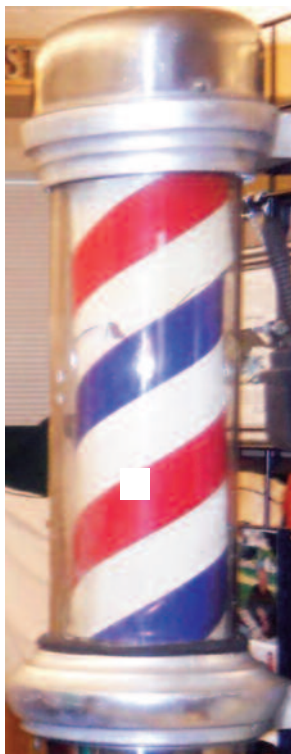
Joe Roybal

The Commerce City Historical Society celebrated the first anniversary of the Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center combined with their Annual Pioneer Picnic by honoring Joe Roybal with a new display about the Roybal Barber Shop, at the Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center on Sat., Sept. 19, 2015.

Over 150 guests were in attendance and CCHS was honored to share this day with the Joe Roybal family. Joe Roybal was a Barber in the community for over 50 years.

All who came out had a great day, with beautiful weather and good food.

**Have a great
Holiday
Season
and
we'll see you
next year!**



Lily and Joe Roybal with family and friends




*David and
Chris
Chambers*



Happy group at the First Anniversary Celebration: (L-r) front: Debra Bullock, Sean Ford, Mayor; second row: Thelma Cole, Pam Meier, Jeanette Roybal, JoAnne Stevenson, Esther Hall and Reba Drotar.

Commerce City Historical Society

Application for Membership

	NAME: _____
	Address: _____ _____
	Phone Number: _____ home _____ cell _____
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	Business Name _____

Annual Dues

***Please make checks payable to: Commerce City Historical Society,
6505 E. 60th Avenue, Commerce City, Colorado 80022***

Individual	\$10.00	_____ (per year)
Family	\$25.00	_____ (per year)
Business/Corporation	\$100.00	_____ (per year)
Life Membership	\$500.00	_____ (one time)
Senior Lifetime Membership (Age 65 Plus)	\$250.00	_____ (one time)

Are you a Veteran? Yes___ No___ What Branch? _____

DATE PAID _____

How would you like to be notified of meetings and the Newsletter?

Email _____ phone _____ mail _____

For questions please call 303-287-6747

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

☐ Phone Calls

☐ Working at Events

☐ Work at the Museum

☐ Moving Items

KEVIN VINCEL-NEW FIRE CHIEF SOUTH ADAMS COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

August 18, 2015 at Fire Station 8, Kevin Vincel a life-long Fire Fighter was pinned as Fire Chief for South Adams County Fire Department. Congratulations Kevin from the CCHS!

Kevin was born and raised in Commerce City. He has been around the South Adams County Fire Department throughout his childhood. He learned about the fire service and the culture of the fire department from his father, Steve Vincel who held multiple titles at South Adams.

Kevin first professionally entered the fire service in 1995 as a Volunteer Firefighter for South Adams County. He was quickly hired into the Fire Prevention Bureau as a Fire Inspector in 1997 where he was later promoted to Deputy Fire Marshall in 2003. For the last ten years Kevin has been leading the Fire Prevention Bureau and has been an integral part in moving the Fire Department forward.



Our new Fire Chief Kevin Vincel is pleased with his promotion at South Adams County Fire Department.



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Crowd at the 'pinning of the new fire Chief Kevin Vincel.



CCHS Membership Meeting

Fri., November 20, 7pm
Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center
6505 East 60th Ave 303-288-2590

In Memoriam

Rose B. Sain

Nov. 13, 1927-Mar. 23, 2015



Rose was a loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was 87 years old. She was living at the Brookdale Highlands Senior Living Center

with her constant and faithful companion, Cuddles. Rose was born in Los Angeles. She moved to Commerce City, Colorado in 1955. Rose lived in the same home for over 59 years before moving to Brookdale.

Survived by her children and their spouses: Ranell Cain (John), Carolyn Vest (John) and Roland Van Dusen (wife Kat). She had six grandchildren: Janette Cain, Christy Vest, Erika Stevens, Brian and Christopher Van Dusen and Susan Krol. She was also blessed with 11 great grandchildren. She worked for Adams County School District 14 for 28 years as a Bus Driver. Upon retiring, she volunteered her time to Riverdale, working with the children who had development and cognitive disabilities. Rose was remembered during a service on March 28, 2015 in the Chapel at the Brookdale Center.

Terry Lindsay Sept. 5, 1950 - Sept. 28, 2015

Terry was born Sept. 5, 1950 in Texas and the family moved to Derby in 1951. Terry graduated from Adams City High School in 1968. He has 3 daughters, one brother Bret Lindsay from Ft. Lupton, sister LeAnn Lindsay (deceased) and 3 granddaughters and 1 grandson. Terry worked at Stapleton Airport as a Flight Manager for 30 years and a Fire Craft Rescuer. His hobbies were rodeo, fishing and of course loved the Bronco's.



William G. Barber

Mar. 16, 1949 – Oct. 5, 2015



Bill was born on Mar. 16, 1949. He was a son, brother, husband, father and grandfather. He was a 1968 graduate of Adams city High School. His success was beyond the world and he will never be forgotten. His memories are shared between friends and family. He will always be in our hearts.

Barbara A. Jones

Sept. 28, 1930 to Aug. 7, 2015



Barbara was born in Evanston, Illinois, the only child of Roy and Rae Jones. She moved to Colorado following graduation from Bradford Junior College and Grinnell College and after receiving her Master's Degree from the University of Wisconsin. For the next 25 years, she was an educator in the Adams County School District 14. She started teaching at Central Elementary School in 1954 as a first grade teacher and taught for 25 years. She was also a school counselor and was the Girl Scout leader for Troop 514. After retiring from the educational field, Barb became Director of Volunteer Training for Girl Scouts-Mile High Council. Barb's extensive record of volunteer service occupied her entire life. Over the years Barb received many recognitions and numerous awards for her service. She greatly valued her friends and the special relationships. She will be missed by all.

Luciano Sanchez

July 31, 2015

Luciano was born in Cleveland, New Mexico and was educated in Las Vegas. New Mexico and was in the Army from 1952-1955. His nickname was Chano.

Luciano married to Jesse Sancehz for 57 years and worked at Franklin Furniture for 35 years.

They have two daughters Teresa Gallegos and Carmen Flores, two grandchildren: Cheryl Gallegos and Jesse Flores

Services were at Ft. Logan National Cemetery on August 10, 2015

Gladys Alice Goodson

Oct 22, 1922 - June 14, 2105

Alice was born in Pittsburg, Oklahoma and lived in Commerce City for 35 years. She had six children and loved to garden. She was buried on June 18, 2015 at Riverside Cemetery.

Derek Kyle Reinhardt

July 25, 2015

Thomas Guy Wright

July 10, 2015

Helen Margaret Walker

July 5, 2015

Hilaria Moncada-Guzman

July 3, 2015

Ruth R. Ortiz

August 31, 2015

Karen E. Scarlett Witt

August 12, 2015

Rex Sherman Isbell

August 10, 2015

Omega Duran

August 5, 2015

Daniel E. Mott

August 4, 2015

Charles E. Parsons

Sept. 14, 2015



Paradise Island Pool at Pioneer Park

July 9, 10, 2015



Two young ladies enjoying the day at Paradise Park.



Commerce City Council members enjoy the Grand Opening of the Paradise Island Outdoor Pool. L-R: Crystal Elliott, Rick Teter, Rene Bullock, Jadie Carson, Andrew Amador and Jason McEldowney.



An aerial view of Paradise Island



Paradise crowd at the Grand Opening

The Outdoor Pool (Paradise Island) opens at Pioneer Park. Councilmembers attending:

Rene' Bullock, Mayor Pro Tem, Crystal Elliott, Jadie Carson, Rick Teter, Steve Douglas, Andrew Amador, and Jason McEldowney.

The pool was originally supposed to be open in June of 2015, but, due to the weather in May (rain, rain, rain), the opening was delayed.

Designer Ohlson Lavoie and contractor Golden Triangle Construction completed the project.

Details: 2 acre, state-of-the-art aquatic center has a 5,000 square foot leisure pool, three water slides, a lazy river, a toddler pool and games.

The first project to be completed of the 2K projects. Capital Improvement Project from the voter approved 2K, 1%, 5 projects in 5 years.

Paradise Island. The "c" in paradise was the selected name to. Students from Rose Hill won the naming contest for the facility. Local youth brainstormed themes for the pool. The community then selected a games-related theme. The city held a naming contest that received over 200+ entries. City Council accepted the recommendation from the parks, recreation and golf advisory committee and approved a resolution to name the Pfame-themed pool "**Paradise Island.**"



ANFRM

The Association of Northern Front Range Museums

The CCHS is now a member of the ANFRM. We will be attending a monthly meeting at a different North Range museum each month. This is a great opportunity for us to network with other museums and learn new ways to improve our Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center.

If any members would like to attend these meetings with us we would be happy to have you participate. Our first meeting that we attended was on August 17th at the Aurora History Museum. The meetings are the third Monday of every month. If you are interested please contact a Board Member.

In Memoriam

Weston Johnson 1933-2015

Weston Johnson, Thornton, entered into rest June 18, 2015 in Louisville. Born August 1, 1933, Lamar, Colorado to William Addison "Addie" and Nellie Marie Johnson. Wes grew up in the Lamar area graduating from the Class of 1951. He enlisted in the US Navy in 1951. After serving his country, he returned home to Lamar where he worked in the Wiley, Big Bend and South Dakota areas hauling alfalfa meal. He then moved to Denver where he met his wife of 67 years, Donna.

Survived by wife Donna and children Mike (Betty) of Thornton and Kathy of Denver, six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; sister Patsy Dudley of Commerce City; brother Arlen (Iris) Johnson of Monument and sister (Rita) Rendon of Lamar. Preceded in death by parents and sister Lynda Eikleberry.

Wes enjoyed fishing which was his favorite pastime along with the trips to Alaska and Lake Michigan. He loved fishing the large reservoirs around his home town of Lamar.

From the 70's to the mid-90's, Wes was president of Hi-Lo Employees Corp.-HiLo Market. He loved the grocery business. His son Mike and grandson both worked with him at Hi-Lo.

In his later years, Wes could be seen with his close friends around Commerce City. He was very involved with helping people as they were him. Together they formed close relationships that won't soon be forgotten by those Wes loved. He is sadly missed by those who loved him.

Judy Jaramillo-Newman Nov. 25, 1949 - Aug. 11, 2015

Resided in Westminster, CO

Judy Jaramillo-Newman, proud Colorado native, beloved educator, administrator and devoted parent died Tuesday, August 11, 2015 after a short illness. Judy was preceded in death by her parents, Silverio Jaramillo and Louise Fultz. She is survived by her three children, Michael, Adrian and Jacqueline Newman.

Family and friends celebrated the life of Judy Jaramillo-Newman on Thursday, August 20th at Holy Trinity Catholic Church located at 7595 Federal Blvd., Westminster, CO.



Yancy B. Jaramillo

Oct. 1, 1964 - June 28, 2015

Yancy was born October 1, 1964. Survived by: daughter, Vanessa Gonzales; grandchildren: Jeremiah Gonzales and Jesennia Lucero; brother of Joseph, Robert, Daniel, Gerald, Vincent, Lawrence, Timothy, Julie and Ann. Preceded in death by sister Nancy and Vincent Patrick. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. A Rosary was held July 9, 2015 and a Memorial Mass was held on July 10, 2015. Both services were at Our Lady Mother of the Church.

Rose Veronica Ramirez

June 20, 1927 - Aug 4, 2015

Rose was born June 20, 1927. Survived by: son, Abraham Ramirez, daughter, Dolores Emstrum; 7 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Preceded in death by husband, Trinidad Ramirez. Memorial service was held Saturday, August 8, 2015 at Aspen Mortuary, Commerce City. Interment at Ft. Logan National Cemetery.

Bobby Kanatzar

April 16, 1946 - July 3, 2015

Bobby was born April 16, 1946. Survived by wife Christine and son Bobby Jr. Funeral July 10 at Aspen Mortuary Commerce City Chapel. Interment Eaton Cemetery, Eaton, CO.

Stanley D. Soria

June 14 1950 - July 4, 2015

Stanley was born, June 14, 1950. Survived by wife Bertha Mertz-Soria and sister, Janice Soria. Services were held July 15, 2015 at Our Lady Mother of the Church.

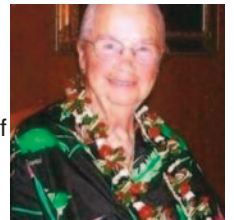
Larry Jones, Commerce City, CO

passed away July 25, 2015 at his home. Larry was born April 5, 1948 in Brooklyn, New York to Roy McGee and Margaret (Walker) Jones. He met and married Laura Anderson and together they raised their children in Colorado. Larry was a proud American; every chance he had he voiced his dedication and loyalty to his country. He worked in the construction industry for several years. Larry was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him. A memorial service was held Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at Olinger Highland Chapel, 10201 Grant Street, Thornton.

Lucille Nation

1927-2015

87, born in Sioux City, Iowa, resident of Commerce City, Colorado. Preceded in death by husband Leonard W. Nation; two sons, Glenn Nation and Quien Nation. Survived by her children, Wil (Pam) Nation, Sonya Y. (Gary) Haddock, Douglas D. Nation; nine grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Graveside Services were held Wed., Sept. 9, 2015 1pm at Olinger Highland Cemetery.



Jerry Raymond Negrete

Jan. 14, 1956 - July 14, 2015

Jerry was born January 14, 1956. Survived by: daughter, Nichole Emily Smith; parents, Rose and Jerry Negrete Sr.; sister, Liz Nation. Rosary and Mass of Christian Burial were held at Our Lady Mother of the Church July 24, 2015. Interment at Hillside Cemetery, Ft. Lupton, CO with military honors.



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Lily Roybal and granddaughter Kate



Children enjoying festivities



Member Dave



Commerce City
Mayor Sean Ford
and wife Samantha
Ford



Roybal display



CCHS Board
Members at the
First Anniversary
Celebration: (l-r)
Thelma Cole.,
Esther Hall, Reba
Drotar, Deborah
Bullock and
President JoAnn
Stevenson



Podium Crowd at First Anniversary celebration

brates First Anniversary Food Drive for FISH of Commerce City sponsored by Historical Society



Chambers and Secretary/Treasurer Deborah Bullock



Levi Sanchez and his wife and Delbert Walman and his wife.



City Council and Assistant Mayor and Girls Club



Joe Roybal

Joe Roybal received his Barber's license in 1962. His first job was with Max Alexander at Alexander's Barber Shop on Hwy 2 in Commerce City.

In 1963, he started working for Delbert Waldman at the IVY K Barber shop. They had many great times.

The opportunity arose to purchase CCB. Joe and Levi Sanchez, both from the San Luis Valley went into business together in 1972. Levi soon returned to LAFB, where he was employed before.

Joe Roybal became the owner. It then became Roybal's Barber shop in 1973 located at 6443 East 72nd Pl. Commerce City Colorado. Joe was a member of Local 7 Barbers Union for 38 years.

Much time was spent at Roybal's. His sister, Genevieve Abeyta, worked with her brother for 9 years. Then, in 1983, his daughter Jeanette worked alongside for 30 years.

Joe has seen a lot of change in Commerce City.

He has cut many generations from great-grand parents, grandparents, parents, kids, grandkids, and great grandkids.

Joe was a family man. When not at the shop time was spent fishing with his girls, attending church, working on his beautiful yard, being an avid runner, and playing poker.

Joe Roybal had great customers but most of all made lifelong friendships through the barbershop. By the Grace of God, Joe was employed as a barber for 50 years. Behind every good man is a great woman- his wife Lilly who was also his secretary, best friend and love of his life. He would have been lost without her. Lilly and Joe celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on August 14, 2015. With them to celebrate was their daughter and hranddaughter Lilly Katie Roybal.

Thank you to all our customers over the years and to all the people of Commerce City for such a great run.

God Bless

The Roybal Family



Boys & Girls Club opens

"Today we are a step closer in making the vision of a new Commerce City Boys & Girls Club a reality," said "This new facility not only provides an invaluable resource for our community but it invests in future generations by providing a safe place for our children to learn and grow." Rep. Ed Perlmutter (CO-07).

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver has been providing programming for youth in Commerce City at Kearney Middle School since 2007. The pressing need for quality after school programs for more children in the area has led to the effort to build a new stand-alone facility.

"The Suncor Boys & Girls Club will allow Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver to double its capacity and reach more than 1,000 youth each year," said John L. Barry, Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver Chief Executive Officer. "This undertaking wouldn't be possible without the support of Commerce City, Suncor and all of our donors and supporters who are working to make a difference in the lives of Colorado youth."



City Council and families of Boys and Girls Club



The beautiful new Suncor Boys and Girls Club sits on the corner of 62nd and Holly in Commerce City.

Food Drive for FISH of Commerce City sponsored by Historical Society



Gary Ulam, Key Bank, drops off food.



(r) Loretta Garcia, Director of FISH and Esther Hall

FISH of Commerce City was grateful for the donations for their Food Bank. They can be found at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 6770 Monaco. Hours are Monday 3-6 pm and Tues - Fri from 11-1.

RAINBO BREAD???

Gone is the RAINBOW sign



Rainbo Bread has been a landmark in our community since the early fifties. It is now owned by Bimbo Bakeries USA. The Rainbo sign is gone. Another landmark gone!

Heather Bradley



CCHS welcomes Heather Bradley as an Administrative Volunteer. She comes to us through the Stout Street Foundation. She works on Saturday from 10-2. Thank you Heather for volunteering with our organization! We are grateful for you and for the Stout Street Foundation.

Tim and Jason Martinez, Directors of the Girls and Boys Club



In Memoriam

L. Charlene Jaramillo

Remembering With Love ... L. Charlene (Bechtold) Jaramillo

April 16, 1934 - October 16, 2015

She has been known as Charlene for 81 years; her given first name is Leah. She is the beloved wife of Louis Edward Jaramillo; they shared 61 years of married life. She thought he was handsome in 1954 and her opinion did not change after six decades of marriage! He made her laugh; she made him marvel. Charlene was and is his beloved wife; he will always be her one true love, second only to Jesus.

Charlene went to be with the Lord on Friday morning, October 16, 2015. She is preceded in death by her little sister, Sharon Vey, and her parents, Charles Howard Bechtold and M. Irene (McVey) Bechtold. She is the sister of her surviving brother, Gary C. Bechtold (Nancy).

Charlene has six children; one daughter, Vicki Lynn Bustos (Chuck), and five sons: Timothy Edward (Claudia, deceased), Thomas Louis (Susan), Terrance Charles (Milvia), Tracy Allan (Lydia), and Theodore Jay (Shannon.) Charlene is blessed with fifteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. She has multiple nieces and nephews, beloved relatives, and dear friends whom she adores.

Born in Garden City, Kansas on April 16, 1934, Charlene grew up in cities in Kansas, Nebraska, and Brighton, Colorado. She graduated from Brighton High School and enjoyed wonderful childhood friendships; Charlene often shared memorable stories with her family from her days of youth. She and her husband moved to Commerce City in July of 1955 where they planted their roots and raised their six children along with multiple dogs and cats, flowers and vegetables.

Charlene attended Community College of Denver and Colorado University of Denver in the 1970's and 80's. She was a librarian with Commerce City and then with Adams County. She did the work of setting up the library for the citizens of Commerce City in the very early 1970's and later spent countless hours bringing the Adams County library service to schools and remote communities by driving the ADCO Bookmobile from one end of the county to the other. Charlene was also very involved in local and county politics. She served many years as the Democratic Committee woman.

When she retired from the library system, Charlene committed much of her time to volunteer work. She was president of the Commerce City Cultural Council and was eventually appointed to the Adams County Cultural Council. She served Commerce City on the Liquor Commission. Charlene was dedicated to her city and to her neighbors. Her dedication was recognized in 2009 when she was presented the "Business and Professional Association Citizen of the Year Award" and again in 2013 when she received the "Jean Klein Angel Award" for her service to the community.

In addition to being a fan of her husband, his beautiful homegrown roses, her family, and her hometown, Charlene was a fan of all Denver sports, but especially avid about the Denver Broncos football team. She spent her final Sunday afternoon on this earth, October 11, experiencing Denver's 16-10 victory over the Raiders. It put a smile of satisfaction on her face.

Charlene became a Catholic on Easter Sunday, 1958. Her personal Bible is well read and highlighted. She was a devoted member of Our Lady Mother of the Church Catholic Church in Commerce City. She worked faithfully in the church office and counted offerings with her husband and a team of helpers for years; she and Lou also served as members of the Pastoral Council. She would ask you to rejoice with her today because she is safely home in Heaven with her Lord! A few lines from one of her favorite songs seems to speak her heart:

"Morning has broken, like the first morning ... mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning...". (Morning Has Broken by Cat Stevens)

You are invited to join us as we celebrate Charlene's life at her memorial mass and service at OLMC Catholic Church (6690 East 72nd Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022) on Wed. morning, Nov. 4, 2015, 11:00. A reception for family and friends will follow immediately afterwards in the large fellowship hall onsite. Donations in Charlene's name may be made to the Commerce City Cultural Council (7887 East 60th Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022) or to the Historical Society of Commerce City (6505 East 60th Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022.)

Peace and God's blessings to all who loved Charlene.



Reverend Jackie L. Jones

Born June 12, 1955 in Neosho, Missouri. Passed Away Sept. 3, 2015 in Denver, CO.

He was the third son of three born to Henry H. & Mable E. Married Dorothy L. Children: Patrick K. (Jillian Michelle); Joseph L.; Jackie Lynn (Jonathan James).

Married Wendy K. brought to union Patricia, Barbara (Shawn), Jessica (Brian), Veronica

Survived by 21 Grandchildren & 6 Great-grandchildren

Survived by Wendy (wife), brother Harrison (Brenda), 1 brother-in-law, 1 sister-in-law, 4 aunts, 1 uncle, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Preceded in death by parents/in-laws, grandparents/in-laws, Henry A. (brother), Dorothy (wife), Veronica (daughter).

Graveside services at Fort Logan National Cemetery, Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 2pm. Meet at Staging area 'A'. A Memorial Service is scheduled right after the Committal Service at Wallace Memorial Baptist Church, 6201 East 74th Place in Commerce City, Colorado.



William C. Burke

Sept. 17, 1927 - Sept. 1, 2015

87, passed away at home on Sept. 1, 2015 in Commerce City, Colorado.

Survived by many loving family members and friends.



Viewing: Tues., Sept. 8, 2015 at 9 a.m. Service at 10:00am both at Olinger Highland Chapel, 10201 Grant Street, Thornton, CO 80229.

Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, Broomfield, Colorado

Outreach at Pioneer Park on August 13.



Susan Carabajal and Nit Hamby



CCHS at the City Outreach at Pioneer Park on August 13. We participated with our information table and shared our tent with the Commerce City Cultural Council. Thank you to our faithful volunteers.



(l-r) Thelma Cole and Debra Bullock



GET YOUR 2016 CALENDAR! ON SALE NOW - \$10.00. You can pick one up at the museum or call a Board Member listed below.

Esther Hall – 303-249-1930

Debra Bullock – 303-946-3426

Joann Stevenson – 303-288-6749

Reba Drotar – 303-921-1972

Thelma Cole – 303-809-7211



A MOMENT IN HISTORY THE CHARTER DELEGATES MAY 1970



Look at this! The CCHS has made a display of the City Charter signing with photos of all the delegates mentioned in the adjoining article.

Prior to the Commerce City Charter, the city operated as a statutory city under the laws of the state of Colorado (State Legislature). The city had an elected City Clerk (Sybil Ratcliff) and an elected City Treasurer (Casey Hayes).

The delegates were elected by the city residents on November 4, 1969. They developed the proposed Charter and signed it on March 24, 1970. It was submitted to the vote of the people and an election was held on May 5, 1970.

The 21 Delegates that were elected were: Marjorie Christianson, Alfred Krogh, Sybil Ratcliff, A Williams, Harold Kite, Floyd Templeton, Ivan Jergensen, Casey Hayes, John Roebuck, Larry Ford, Charles McCune, Roland Russell, Richard Vigil, Warren Kerls, Robert Calvert Jr., Harry Tate, Jean Klein, LaVern Franzen, Leroy Fields, Leo Younger, and Dale Graham.

They met at City hall which was located at 5291 East 60th Avenue, currently the Adams 14 School District Administration Building. The Charter Delegates were represented by Bob Gehler, the City Attorney. He advised the delegates concerning all the legal ramifications and advised them in the philosophy and practical intent of the issues by researching several other city charters.

The delegates wanted future Councils to have a document that would give them the tools to remedy problems and plan for a more productive and enjoyable lifestyle for the people of Commerce City.

As a result, a charter was written that has provided an effective and efficient form of government and led to becoming a Home Rule City.

Within the 50 years of adoption of this charter it has been amended 6 times, which was voted on by the people of Commerce City during city elections. This election in 2015 there is a Ballot Question to change the Charter concerning posting locations. Please come to the Commerce city Heritage and Cultural Center to see our new display on the Charter Convention.

Saving a small piece of history



Harry and Margie Buschman and Debra Bullock retrieving items out of the Johnson Dairy Barn. Harry Buschman & Debra Bullock cutting out an eight foot piece of stanchions



A stanchion is a frame that holds the head of a cow in place, especially to facilitate milking



Items from the Johnson Dairy Farm took a lot of muscle and strength to retrieve. Deb Bullock above.





COMMERCE CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS...
The Commerce City Christmas Lights Bus Tour!
2015

When: Saturday December 19, 2015

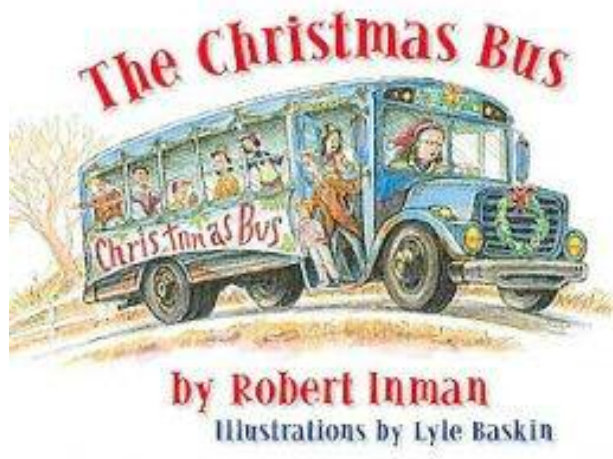
Where: Our Saviour Lutheran Church (6770 Monaco Street)

There will be a chili supper with a free will offering

Time: 5:00 pm eating and get on the bus at 5:45. We will return at 8pm.

COME WITH US TO SEE THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND THEIR
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. WE WILL PICK THE **BEST**
DECORATED HOUSE!!!!!!!

**Space is limited – RSVP to Debra Bullock 303-946-3426 or
dlhbullock@q.com**



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Nancy Dade	Pearl Brown Family (Ron, David, Cindy)
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	Harlow Leeper, Magnolia Enterprises
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	Lou and Charlene Jaramillo
	Herb and Shirley Stertz
	Derell and Carolyn Younger
	William Shelby and Family

Charter Members:

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

NEW MEMBERS

JULY – SEPT., 2015

Blair Corning
Sheila Harris
Gordon & Nit Hamby
Norma Roman
Dennis and Bonnie Stack

CCHS Board Members

JoAnn Stevenson, President
Esther Hall, Vice President
Debra Bullock, Secretary/Treasurer
Thelma Felkins-Cole, Membership Dir.
Reba Drotar. Historian

Advisory Board Members

Pam Meier and Casey Hayes

MUSEUM DONATIONS

JULY – SEPT., 2015

\$102.00

DONATIONS

JULY – SEPT., 2015

\$100.00 Dick & JoAnn Stevenson

\$125.00 Dick & JoAnn Stevenson

MUSEUM VISITORS

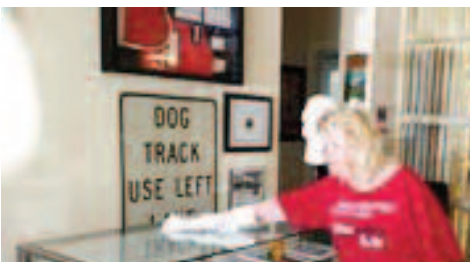
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A Day of cleaning at the museum

Esther Hall headed up a cleaning committee for the museum, July 25.

Thank you to Leora Richards, Loretta Petty, Don Sater, Thelma Cole, Lela and Brooke for volunteering your time to help with the cleaning.



CCHS Membership Meeting

Fri., November 20, 7pm

Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center
6505 East 60th Ave 303-288-2590



New Displays at Museum



1800's Period Dress

The style of formal dress worn by ladies of means during the late 1800's.

This dress was purchased in an antique store with the sole purpose of remaking it into an antique doll reproduction costume. However, I felt it would be appreciated more by leaving it as is. The laces are extremely fragile.

Donated by: Marian Wold, Denver, Colorado



Telephones, Telephones. Come see these at the Heritage & Culture Center. 6505 E. 60th Ave. The museum is open from 10am - 2pm on Saturdays.



Commerce City Council members attended the grand opening: (l-r) Steve Douglas, Andrew Amador, Crystal Elliott, Jadie Carson, Mayor Sean Ford, Rene Bullock and Jason McEldowney

Fronterra Park Grand Opening - Aug. 25, 2015

Grand opening for the Fronterra Park located at 10020 Joplin. Fronterra Park is one of five projects in Commerce City's voter approved capital improvement program. The 20 acre site, located in Fronterra neighborhood serves residents in Froterra and the surrounding areas.

Contractor: Golden Triangle Construction, Inc.

Designer: DHM Design

Total Project Budget: \$4 million

(construction began in December 2014 and completed in August 2015).

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JOIN US FOR LUNCH 90-Year Residents

WHEN: Tuesday December 1, 2015

WHERE: Commerce City Heritage and Cultural Center, 6550 East Commerce City Colorado

TIME: NOON

CONTACT/RSVP:

Debra Bullock (303-946-3426) or

Marilyn Krause (303-288-2302)

