



Historical Society of Dayton Valley

P.O. Box 485 – Dayton, NV 89403 775-246-6316

<http://www.daytonnvhistory.org>

SPRING 2015

Volume 12 – Number 1

Late 2014 definitely was full of society activities. The weather cooled off and was perfect for our “Ghostly Event”. We got “teased” with some snow in December! In February we got rain... according to my rain gauge, about 1 ½” in the Dayton Valley Rd area! Highlighted below is a “fast gander” of upcoming happenings for the first portion of 2015 and rap-ups of some late 2014 activities & events!

Now approaching.... 2015 activities!

Dayton Museum opens for 2015

Sunday March 1st - Museum opens for 2015.

Hours: open every **Saturday: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Sunday afternoon: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

During May, for State of Nevada Archaeological Awareness and Historic Preservation Month the Museum will be open daily!

Special Women - “Meet & Greet”

March 22nd, (Sunday): 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm @ Dayton

Museum, “Meet & Greet” the Lyon County “Women of Achievement” who are featured in a special Nevada

Sesquicentennial book: **Judy Harris, Jannette Hoffert, Mabel Masterman, Bonnie Matton, Ruby McFarland, Grace Ricci, Mona Reno, Nancy Sbragia, Ruth Small, Laura Tennant, Lee Vecchiarelli and Kay Winters.**

(Coordinators: Vicki Kinney & Linda Clements)

150th Anniversary Quilt Project

March 16th thru April 1st: Nevada Women’s Legacy Community Art Quilt will be displayed at the Nevada Legislature Building in Carson City, second floor of the Senate Building, in the Atrium. Quilt is part of the Nevada Women’s Legacy Exhibitions undertaken in 2014 to commemorate Nevada’s 150th Birthday. **LAURA TENNANT was nominated to be included on the quilt!** It was kept a secret.... and WOW....she sure was surprised!!

Dayton History in Schools

“Hats off” to **Barbara Peck!** Several years ago **Barbara** created and implemented a curriculum to educate all Dayton 4th students on Dayton History. As **Chair of School Programs**, every April and May she’s spent considerable time preparing and presenting the phased program which includes a walking tour of old town as its last activity. Last year **over 250 students participated!** Actual dates for this year: TBD. However, in addition to numerous volunteer helpers, this year **Barbara** will have the bonus of 2 enthusiastic assistants, **Lauri Emerich** and **Melanie Cooper** working side-by-side helping her! We know **Barbara** is grateful for their help.

*Do you also want to have fun and help out?
Please give Barbara a jingle on 775-245-9653!*

2015 Lecture Series Schedule

(....yes, we’re back to normal this year!)

7:00 pm, Thursday evening, April 23rd,

@ Dayton Valley Community Center

Subject: **“Carson & Colorado”**

Presenter: Linda Clements

7:00 pm, Thursday evenings, May 7th and May 14th,

@ Dayton Valley Community Center

Subjects of local interest during May Archaeological Awareness and Historical Preservation Month

Presenters – TBA

7:00 pm, Thursday evening, May 28th,

@ Dayton Public Library

Presenter: Stony Tennant

(May History Month Chair- Melanie Cooper 775-815-9269)

7:00 pm, Thursday evening, July 16th,

@ Dayton Valley Community Center

Subject: **“Trains Still Running in Dayton”**

Presenter: Linda Clements

8th Annual June Rummage Sale

First weekend in June

Held at Carson & Colorado Depot
(intersection of Highway 50 and Main Street)

Saturday & Saturday – JUNE 5TH & JUNE 6TH

START COLLECTING ITEMS NOW!!



Please help us any way you can! Our Annual Rummage Sale helps HSDV pay our insurance. Look through your cabinets, closets and garages!! We need a good variety of items to sell. No rummage? “Helping out” will work!!

(Sorry but NO TV’s, computers or oversize appliances!)

**Co-Chairs: Marty Lewis 775-246-5266 &
Vicki Kinney 775-246-9396**

(continued on backside....)

(...continued from previous page)

Civil War Soldier Memorial Ceremony

During January's History Moment we learned of Civil War Veteran, **Pvt. Scott Carnal** who is buried in our Cemetery. He served in **Company K, the 79th US Colored Infantry** and fought in the **U.S. Civil War**. He passed away in 1917.

Research has shed light on his military history including that he was seriously wounded by enemy fire at Battle of Honey Springs, Indian Territory (Oklahoma), July 1863. Exactly how he came to be buried in Dayton, NV is somewhat vague; however, research suggests it's unlikely he was given an appropriate ceremony or gratitude for his service.

HSDV is sponsoring a Memorial Ceremony for Pvt. Scott Carnal, Sunday, June 7, 2015 - 2:00 pm, Dayton Cemetery.

Joining with us:

**Ghost Soldiers Motorcycle Club-Chapters 1 & 2;
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War –
Gen. Wm. Passmore Carlin Camp #25;
Nevada Civil War Veterans and
War Veteran's Memorial Association of
Western Nevada.**

For more information contact: *Linda Clements*
at 775-246-0505 or clements@775.net

Oodles of Noodles Event- June 13 & 14

This Annual Festival in old town Dayton is sponsored by Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce. As in past years, HSDV will participate by showing off our Schoolhouse Museum, Firehouse/Jail and having activities at the C&C Depot. The festival celebrates Dayton's Italian and Chinese heritage and features a noodle-tasting contest judged by the public. Awards are presented to the winning "chefs".

2014 events still on our mind...

2014 Annual Ghostly Halloween Event

Since we started doing our family oriented event in 2006 this year's event was the largest and most successful yet! **WOW!** A **WHOPPING** 500+ adults and children enjoyed themselves. This year it was held on Thursday night so we didn't conflict with our State's 150th Anniversary celebrations.

Throughout old town vignettes representing Ghostly Pioneers were presented, old fashioned children's games (such as bean bag toss, etc.), narrated Haunted *Hayrides into Nevada History*, plus refreshments at the Museum. Special kudos to our numerous volunteer "spirits" (whether in costume or assisting in other ways) for making the night so memorable: **Lynne Ballatore, Dan South, Julian Ballatore-South, David, Mel, Levi Cooper & friend, John Crowley, Linda Clements, Linda Adams, Ron & Lauri Emerich, Ray Fierro, Jack & Alice Folmar, Sheila Hodach, Phyllis King, Gene & Vicki Kinney, Duncan &**

Kathy Lee, Marty Lewis, Gloria Manning, Gary McElroy, Mabel Masterman, Pat Neylan, Donna & Gene Ray, Carr Sandell, Elaine Bergstrom, Mary Ann Sichak, Ruth Small, Laura & Stony Tennant, Sandy Tuttle, Mike & Julie Workman, Steve Martin, Frank & Janie Mielcarek, Mary Santiano, Stephanie Wilkes, Jenny Dodds, Shirley Kagel, Barbara Madison, Carol McKim and Ron Rowe.

2015 Board of Director Elections

From all reports, election of 2015 Board Members went very smoothly... from nominations to tallying votes. This year a new process was used. It was more inclusive and allowed all members to vote without having to actually attend the November meeting. Plus, it allowed better anonymity of member's votes. Feedback was very *v-e-r-y* positive. 114 Ballot packets were mailed out. 88 ballots were returned through the mail and 8 ballots were cast (in person) at the Nov. Gen. Mtg. The best outcome was 96 members voted this year compared to around 30 +/- in years past (when votes could only be cast at the November meeting)!

A great deal of credit for a job well done goes to our "Ballot Preparers". Those were the ones responsible for putting together ballot packages and mailing them: **Chair: Julie Workman** was assisted by **Shirley Kagel, Gloria Manning and Barbara Madison**. Our "Election Panel" received and logged in ballots mailed back and then counted them at Nov. Gen. Mtg. (along with votes cast at the meeting). **Chair: Lynn Erickson** was assisted by **Marty Lewis, Mary Epperson, Bernie Allen and Ron Emerich**.

2015 Board was elected as follows: **President, Linda Adams; Vice President, Linda Clements; Secretary, Mabel Masterman; Treasurer, Grace Ricci; Directors, Gretchen Arndt, Sheila Hodach and Phyllis King.**

2014 Annual Christmas Party

Our December Christmas Party proved to be another festive occasion thanks to **Chairperson-Gretchen Arndt**, assisted by **Melanie Cooper, Barbara Madison, Lauri & Ron Emerich, Shirley Kagel, Phyllis King and Vicki & Gene Kinney**. Thanks to all for doing such a good job!

Congratulations to all 2014 Award Recipients!

They were honored during the Party.

GOLD NUGGET:

Grace Ricci and Ruth & David Small.

LAURA TENNANT PERPETUAL AWARD:

Diane Parcels,

Sheila Hodach and Barbara Madison.

A word about membership renewals....

In May/June most of us will be receiving membership renewal notices from **Membership Chair-Vicki Kinney**. Memberships run from July through June of the following year. We hope to have you onboard again (so to speak!) this year. It definitely looks to be a fun & busy one with a lot of variety. Everyone will surely find in an activity of interest to participate in! One last request... if you have an email address, would you please be sure to include it on your renewal? Thanks!

(continued on next page....)

(continued from previous page....)

A hearty welcome...

New members joining since the Summer/Fall newsletter!

Carole Brunch	Robert Burr
David Dukleth	Lionel Hall
Steven & Patty Knight	Chris Martinez
Stan Paher	Patty Polish
Steve Knowles	Stacy Mathis
Patricia Johnson	

Volunteers are the heart of our organization!

Members get a 15% discount on gift shop purchases!

Interested in being involved?? You're just a phone call away!
Call Pat Neylan 775-246-3527 or
Sheila Hodach 775-246-5924

Keep upcoming events in mind!

JULY:

JULY 16th - Thursday, 7:00pm: "Trains Still Running in Dayton" lecture @ Dayton Valley Community Center – (Linda Clements presenting)

JULY 22nd - Wednesday, 12 Noon – 3:00pm: "CAMP CRAFT DAY" of historic crafts @ Museum – students 8 to 12 years old welcome. (Gretchen Arndt, class leader)

AUGUST:

AUGUST 15TH - Saturday, 1pm – 3pm: "HISTORICAL HANDCRAFT PROGRAM" @ Museum (Gretchen Arndt, instructor)

(?) **AUGUST 23rd - Sunday**, "UNVEILING PARTY" – LAURA'S "HISTORY OF DAYTON" BOOK - Details: TBA

SEPTEMBER:

SEPTEMBER 16TH - Wednesday: 2016 Board nominations open at General Meeting

SEPTEMBER 19th and 20th (Saturday & Sunday): DAYTON VALLEY DAYS

OCTOBER:

OCTOBER 21ST - Wednesday: 2016 Board nominations close during General Meeting. Nominations for Award recipient candidates open.

OCTOBER 29TH - Thursday: ANNUAL "GHOSTLY HAYRIDE EVENT". Time TBD. (Of note: Carson City will be declaring Friday, October 30th as city's Trick or Treat nigh – NEVADA DAY PARADE to be held Saturday, October 31st)

NOVEMBER:

NOVEMBER 18th - Wednesday: Board election votes counted at General Mtg. Awards close/results announced.

DECEMBER:

ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER CELEBRATION – date TBD

"Show-Stopper"
coming up this summer....
Save the date!!!!

SATURDAY - AUGUST 1ST

Sesquicentennial:

150 Year Anniversary
of Dayton's 1865 Grammar School!!
Today... our Dayton Museum!!

Presented by
The Historical Society of Dayton Valley

@ Dayton Valley Community Center
170 Pike Street from 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Brief informational overview of Schoolhouse history and light refreshments offered.

Followed by tours of Museum by docents
(Laura Tennant, HSDV Historian)

(Further details as the date approaches!)

In our thoughts.....

Expressing our deepest sympathy ...



We reflect on CHARLENE STUBBS numerous contributions towards helping preserve Dayton history, culture & heritage. We shall miss her warm personality and smiling presence. God bless.

...last but not least.

Kudos to our enthusiastic DOCENTS!!

During the winter months, when the Museum is closed, our docents remain active. This year is no different! At the first of the year they really hit the floor running as accessioning of artifacts continues. In 2013 our society opted to implement newer suggested statewide accessioning practices and policies including computerization of artifact records. February always brings us cleaning workdays where members clean, scrub and spiffy up the Museum prior to our March opening.

2015 Board of Directors

Linda Adams, President

Linda Clements, Vice President

Mabel Masterman, Secty. – Grace Ricci, Treas.

Directors: Gretchen Arndt, Sheila Hodach & Phyllis King
Historian, Laura Tennant - Museum Curator, Pat Neylan

Newsletter compiled by Mabel Masterman - 775-246-4457