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The Red Feather Historical Society, Inc., is a Colorado nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation that was established in 1985. Active member of the Colorado Nonprofit Association

**RED FEATHER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
ANNUAL DINNER & MUSICIAN**

June 5, 2015

Friday 5:00-9:00 pm

WESTERN RIDGE RESTAURANT

at Gate 1 Glacier View Meadows

Casual Mountain Attire

Happy Hour 5:00 pm - Cash Bar



Buffet Dinner - 6:00 pm

Cost: Members \$16.00 Nonmembers \$20.00.

Includes two entrees and the works with Nonalcoholic beverage, dessert, tax and tip.



Annual Meeting - 7:00 pm

Entertainment

Jim Jackson DOW - 7:30 pm

Tales of Wild Animals & People



Make Your Reservation

by sending a check payable to

Red Feather Historical Society by May 30, 2015

RESERVATION FORM ON PAGE 7

**VOLUNTEER
Red Feather
Historical Society
NEEDS YOU!!!!
SIGN UP ON
Page 7**



CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

<http://redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org>

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**RED FEATHER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
2015 SUMMER TOURS & PROGRAMS**

*Co-Sponsored with the RFL Library & RF Historical Society.

June 5, Friday, 5:00 - 9:00 pm - Historical Society Dinner - Info on page 1 and sign up on page 7. RSVP by May 30

June 17, Wednesday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm - The Bee Family Centennial Farm Museum & High Plains Historical Society Museum in Nunn, CO Meet at Glacier View Office, Gate 8 at 8:30 am. Bring water, sack lunch, sunscreen, wear hat and good walking shoes. **Cost is \$10 per person which covers museum donations. Info on page 3 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by June 13**

***June 27, Saturday, 10:00 - 12:00 am - History of Red Feather Lakes 104 Series RFHS Historic Sites Map Meet at the RFL Library in the Stenzel Room for a powerpoint presentation. Info on page 4 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by June 26.**

***July 10, Friday, 1:00 - 3:00 pm - The Dickerson Sisters by Brian Carroll Meet at the RFL Library in the Stenzel Room. Info on page 5 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by July 8**

July 15, Wednesday, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm Maxwell Ranch & CCC Camp Tour & History - Meet at the Robinson Historical Cabin in RFL at 8:30 am. Bring water, sunscreen, sack lunch, wear hat and good walking shoes. **Cost is \$5 per person. Info on page 5 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by July 12**

***August 8, Saturday, 1:00 - 3:00 pm - Claim on Death A Red Feather Mystery book review by Larry Hutchins (CL Hutchins) Meet at the RFL Library in the Stenzel Room. Info on page 6 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by August 6**

August 19, Wednesday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Two Bars Seven Ranch & TBD - Meet at Glacier View Office, Gate 8 at 9:00 am. Bring water, sunscreen, sack lunch, wear hat and good walking shoes. **Cost is TBD per person. Info on page 6 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by August 16**

August 28, Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm - The Meadows Tour by Debra Hawkins & Pat Clemens Meet at the RF Historical Society Cabin in Red Feather Lakes at 8:30 am. To attend this tour you must have read *The Meadow* by James Galvin. Bring snacks & lunch. There are not any restroom facilities on this trip so you will have to tree or bush it. 4-wheel or all-wheel drive vehicles only so we will need to carpool. **Cost members \$5.00 nonmembers \$10. Info on page 6 and sign up on page 7 - RSVP by September 5**

SEE NEWSLETTER FOR MORE INFORMATION & HISTORY ON TOURS OR PROGRAMS

Reservations form is on page 7.

For more information contact Pat at 970-495-0560 or mtgal@frie.com

You will be informed of program changes or problems by email.

Activities are subject to change due to bad weather.

Refunds made if notified 1 week in advance or in case of an emergency.

**RFHS members have priority for Society events,
nonmembers will need to pay an additional \$5.00 per tour.**



JIM JACKSON

RFHS Annual Dinner Speaker

I started work in the Red feather district in 1974 after a year of training working with other officers across the state. I have lived in Livermore the whole time. I have worked the district from horseback, snowmobiles, 4-wheelers, helicopters, fixed-wing aircraft, boats and just plain walking. I like to hunt elk, pronghorn and whitetail deer with my muzzleloaders. One of my stories concerns the time my car partner was a 90-pound black bear.

MUSEUM TOURS JUNE 17, 2015

The Bee Family Centennial Farm Museum is the historic preservation of an original homestead founded at the start of development of Northern Colorado. It has been maintained as an active family farm since 1894 and is designated a "Centennial Farm" by the State of Colorado Department of Agriculture and the Colorado Historical Society. In 2002, the farm was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

140 acres of the original 160-acre farm has been placed in a conservation easement and sold to Colorado State University. 10 acres has been retained for the museum site. The historic farm facility is operated as a nonprofit enterprise providing an educational resource for the region to document and celebrate the agricultural history of Larimer County and Northern Colorado. The Farm Museum invites visitors to tour the farm and participate in planned activities surrounding the farm's history and family heritage. Thousands of artifacts including farming equipment, cars, wagons, living necessities, letters, diaries, pictures and the homesteads themselves have been organized and preserved dating back to 1894. Visit Website for more information. <http://www.beefamilyfarm.com>

Old Nunn Municipal Hall

Constructed in 1933-1934 as a Civil Works Administration Depression-Era project, the two-story building of painted concrete housed the police station, fire department, and town clerk. Community dinners, school activities, and various other family gatherings took place in the building. No longer used as a town hall, the High Plains Historical Society transformed it into a museum in the year 2000.

The Nunn Water Tower, a 50,000-gallon steel tank on four legs with a platform and guard rails, was constructed in 1921 and distributed water to town water users. A beacon light on top of the tower once guided planes flying between Denver and Cheyenne, and it served as a light for the residents of Nunn.



For Info on times & places to meet see
Tours & Program on Page 2 - Register on Page 7

VIRGINIA DALE

Overland Stage Station

"EARLY TRANSPORTATION"

"20th Annual" Open House

Western Dance & Pie Auction

Friday, June 12, 2015 7-11 pm

Jack Slade & Craft Show

Saturday, June 13, 2015

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Featuring:

Local Artisans - Quilt Raffle

Historical speakers

and much much more.

For more information, visit

www.virginiadalecommunityclub.org

or call Sylvia Garafalo

970-495-1828 or Marcie Wells

970-568-7646.

Free for those who have a book without an index - The Red Feather Historical Society book index for "**Red Feather Lakes the first 100 years**" is available at our booth at the 4th of July and Labor Day fairs.

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Red Feather History 104
June 27, 2015 10-12 am
Red Feather Community Library 10-12 am
New to the area?

Join us for a powerpoint presentation with historic pictures of Red Feather by using the newly revised RFHS Historic Sites Map and our book "*Red Feather Lakes the first hundred years*"

You or your family been around for a long time?

Join us to share stories and pictures of early Red Feather.



Know these building or where they were?



Available upon requests:

Walking or driving tours of Red Feather Lakes Village by appointment. Must have at least 5 participants. To schedule a tour contact Pat Clemens at 970-495-0560 or email mtgal@frie.com.

**Red Feather Historic Outdoor Park:
 Future Plans**

The RFHS is in the process of planning an organized self-guided walking tour from the Historic Robinson Cabin to a historic outdoor park.. For more information, contact Gary Stanton at 970-493-1181 or email to stantongary41@gmail.com or info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org.

**RFHS Life Members
 & Historians Lost
 2014-15**

Cullen "Lafi" Lafayette Miller - 9/2/16 - 2/8/14
 Juliana Jo Miller -10/28/16 - 9/22/14



William Rowe Jefferson - 9/6/27 - 11/25/14



Charter Member

Emma Lee Graubeger-1/10/33 - 11/24/14

Board Member

Bill Hansen - 3/8/40 - 3/6/15

Member

Margaret Snyder 10/14/23 - 11/31/14

Additional information at

<http://redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org/>

New to the RFHS Website

Oral History

James O'Rorke

<http://redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org/>

To share information, please contact us at info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org

**Would you like to be a part of
 local history?**

If you have or live in a "historical building" in the area, one which was built before 1950, the Red Feather Historical Society would like to include it in our Historic Site project. We will provide a sign to identify your historic site. For more info go to our website <http://redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org/> or contact info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org

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The Dickerson Sisters by Brian Carroll

July 10, 2015 1:00 - 3:00

Alice and Helen Dickerson, sisters who lived their entire lives "up the Buckhorn," were artisans, naturalists and part of the original homesteading history of the area. Let's talk about their story and see examples of the baskets and collages they are so famous for. Own one? Bring it to share. Let's hear about these remarkable women. Brian Carroll, Fort Collins Master Naturalist, shares his collection and perspective.

Book written about the Dickerson Sisters is available in the RFL Community Library - *Apples of the Mummy's Eye* by Elyse Deffke Bliss from interviews with Alice C. Dickerson. The Dickerson sisters were referred to as "Living Legends" or "Ladies of the Mountains"



CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CAMP IN RED FEATHER LAKES TOUR

July 15, 2015

CCC Camp started in 1935 and ended when WWII started. Many of the buildings can be found in the area at its original site plus on ranches in the area.



Maxwell Ranch - July 15, 2015

Owned by Mildred Goldsborough Brown Cusack Beckstead and her many husbands. The ranch was purchased as a wedding present by Mildred's mother and had a two-story log house and large log barn built in 1926. The Becksteads' money gradually dwindled away and they sold off the ranch in 1965 to Stuart G. and Shirley Maxwell, who named it Caerlaverock. The name Caerlaverock is the name of the Maxwell Clan castle in Dumfries, Scotland. You will tour the log home and see part of one of the buildings that was at the CCC Camp.

Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer. ~Author Unknown

**The RF Historical Society
is in need of
Board Members & Volunteers
Contact: Pat Clemens 495-0560
info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org**

Send in your interests pg. 7 with your membership or contact any board member.

Gifts for all Occasions

RF Historical Society

Merchandise

Rada Cutlery and Kitchen Tools
RFHS Cookbook

"Red Feather the first 100 years"

Postcards - 3 different ones

Mark Your Calendar for 2014

for Craft Fairs in Red Feather Lakes

Red Feather Days July 4

Fire Days September 5

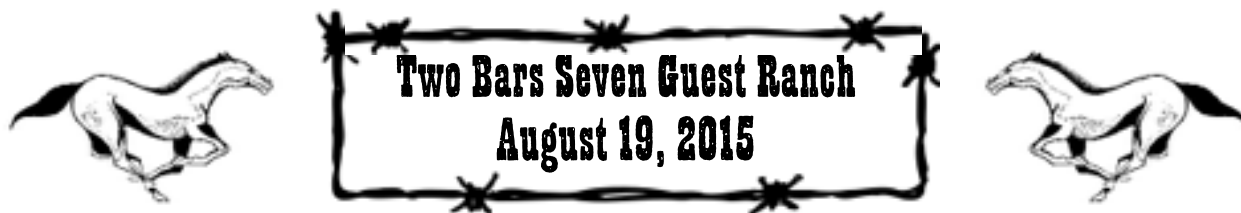
Greening of Red Feather Dec. 5 & 6

Order Rada Anytime Online

Follow these steps:

1. Log onto: www.helpourfundraiser.com
2. Put in Internet Ordering # 502734
3. Password: feathers
4. Browse catalog and order

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Step back in time and join us in an incredibly scenic 3,000-acre historic working ranch that sits adjacent to National Forest land that includes a wide expanse on the border regions of both Wyoming and Colorado. The ranch was established during the days of the territorial government before Wyoming was a state. It has been in the family for four generations and a dude ranch for 10. Our horses and cattle carry the lines of our ancestral breeding programs. Some of our guests are also three generations of vacationers. The ranch is still its original size.

Before the Schaffers, the ranch was founded by a lady from Nova Scotia who raised draft horses, Hereford cattle, and probably oxen for income. In the early 1900s Grandma Polly Dawson Schaffer and Grandpa Edward Schaffer regularly hosted large food feasts for the neighborhood help gang, the ranch work crew. The local ranches close by include the setting for the book *The Meadow* by James Galvan. Polly, our ranch matriarch, will share her first-hand accounts of the real-life characters in the book.



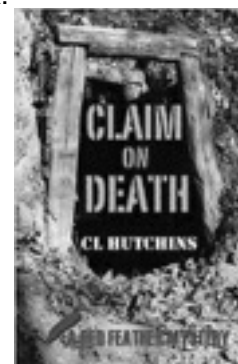
A young Polly Schaffer, the matriarch today of Two Bars Seven Guest Ranch (in back), getting ready to go out with the horses with a neighbor friend from a nearby ranch in 1948.

August 8, 2015

1-3 pm

Book Review by

CL Hutchins



Larry will be there to discuss the book. It was loosely based on the story of Lady Moon. He's changed her name to Lady Meath, added a couple of husbands, and created a pair of amateur detectives. One runs the RFL General Store and the other is a young single mother who is just starting out in real estate. There are the requisite dead bodies and clues intended to keep you guessing about 'who dunnit.'

THE MEADOWS TOUR

August 28, 2015 - Friday

Meet at the RFHS Robinson Cabin in Red Feather Lakes at 8:30 am. We will leave promptly at 9:00 am and return by 5:00 PM. You must have read *The Meadow* by James Galvan to participate (trip will not mean anything without reading the book - Red Feather Library has several copies).

Only 8 vehicles that are 4-wheel or all-wheel drive are allowed on the trip (we will need to car pool to fill all the vehicles). Bring snacks for coffee break & lunch & anything you would like to drink or eat for the day. There are no bathroom facilities on the trip (You will have to tree or bush it). We will be in vehicles most of the time so wear comfortable clothing and shoes. **Cost: Members: \$5.00 each, nonmembers: \$10.00 each. RFHS members have priority. Register on Page 7 - RSVP by August 26, 2015.**

Red Feather Historical Society wants to thank all the wonderful volunteers who have helped this past year. We could not exist without your help.

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COMPLETE FORMS BELOW

RED FEATHER HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the following fields:

Name: _____

Address (summer):

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address (winter):

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email (for business purposes only): _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen (50 or over)	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/> Active Family (two votes)	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$1,000

All Donations Welcome

RFHS NEEDS YOU!
WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO BE AN EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION
PLEASE CHECK YOUR INTERESTS BELOW

- Board Member (serve a 2-year term)
- Cutlery & Merchandise Sales (set up, take down, sell, inventory and ordering)
- Grants (grant searching and writing)
- Greening of Red Feather Craft Fair and Holiday Decorating
- Historian (Organize/Catalog Historic Material)
- Archiving/Preservation(preserving photos)
- Historical Story Teller (Local History, re-enactors, personal antidotes)
- Newsletter (writing articles)
- Robinson Cabin (hosting and preservation)
- Tours and Trips (set up/lead a tour or trip)
- Website (write and /or submit articles)

For more information please contact:
 Pat Clemens 970-495-0560 or
[info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org/](mailto:info@redfeatherhistoricalsociety.org)

(Make check payable to RFHS)
Mail all payments to -
Red Feather Historical Society
Denise Burk, Treasurer
540 Guardian Peak Dr.
Livermore, CO 80536

DINNER, TOURS & PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY _____

June 5 - DINNER RESERVATION \$16 Member \$20 Nonmember

June 17 - MUSEUMS \$10

June 27 - RF HISTORY 104 - RFL VILLAGE

July 10 - DICKERSON SISTERS PROGRAM

July 15 - MAXWELL RANCH & CCC CAMP \$5

August 8 - CLAIM ON DEATH BOOK REVIEW

August 19 - TWO BAR SEVEN RANCH TOUR \$TBD

August 28 - MEADOWS TOUR \$5 members

CHECK # _____

#Members _____ Total Amount _____

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