

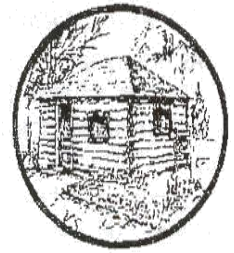


# UTE PASS HISTORICAL SOCIETY & Pikes Peak Museum

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## A Touch of History Cascade Community House from the *Triangle Echo*, March 1975 by Jan Pettit

The Cascade Community House looks now very much as it did when it opened almost 50 years ago in 1927 (now 85 years). It has been the center of Cascade activity ever since.

Thomas Cusack, the Chicago Billboard King, purchased the entire town of Cascade in 1920. He planned to build a new concrete Ramona Hotel to replace the outdated wooden one, and a Spanish style Community House on the site of the old Cascade House, which had been torn down. He was never able to complete his plans due to his death in 1926. The foundations had been started for the Center and were completed by the Cusack Estate as a memorial to Thomas Cusack.



Community Building, Cascade, Colorado  
Sanborn Postcard

On June 2, 1927, the center opened with a garage on one end a post office on the other end, and The Community Kitchen, a tea room run by 16 year old Evelyn Cusack and two friends.

A brick paved, covered porch ran across the front and around the east side where visitors could relax and enjoy the view of Cascade Mountain. Tennis courts and a park complete with underground sprinkling system adjoined the building.



Community Building Garage, 1927  
Sanborn Photo

During the Depression, the Center served as a dormitory for the Civilian Conservation Corps. A small block room was added onto the back for showers.

Several businesses and owners have come and gone. The garage has been operated by many including Nick Sanborn Sr. The center of the building had been a grocery run by various people, including Doris and Sherman Rerick who called it the Cascade Westerner and the

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## Newest UPHS Board Members Bring Enthusiasm to the B.O.D.

John Yantorno is an I.T. professional who moved here a little over three years ago from Clearwater Florida, trading the summer heat of the beach for the cool dryness of the mountains. He now resides in historical Hotel Gulch, with his wife Jimena and daughter Indi.



John Yantorno

A native Hoosier, Rick McVey moved to Colorado at age 20. In 1987, after residing in Boulder and Manitou Springs, Rick purchased the long time home of the Bert Bergstrom family. He has lived there for the past 28 years. More than 100 years ago, the site was where the Crest Hotel—the first hotel in Woodland Park—stood.



Rick McVey

### Columbine School Kids Enjoy Their Annual Visit to History Park



The students were excited when their teacher, Mrs. Wise, pretended to lock them in the Calaboose, the original Woodland Park Town Jail that was built in 1891.



### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, July 4:**

**10 to 3:** most of History Park open for tours. Gift Shop open, old-fashioned kids' games outside the Museum Center.

**1 to 3:** 4th Annual Cemetery Crawl, Woodland Park Cemetery, 650 Short Street. Take a walk around the cemetery and meet some of the old pioneers who are resting there. Cost: \$5.00 at the gate.

**Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12:**

Marigreen Pines Tours. Sold out.

**Saturday August 1:**

Traveling Book Shop at Bronc Day Celebration. Parade, pancake breakfast, books for sale.

**Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2:**

UPHS Mountain Arts Food Kitchen. Brats, burgers, and hot dogs. Come by and say hi!

**Saturday through September 19:**

Excluding July 11:

9:30: Historic Walking Tour of downtown Woodland Park. Lasts about 90 minutes.

11:00: Free guided tour of the historic buildings at History Park.

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Blue Spruce Restaurant connected with one of the same name in Colorado Springs . The small tower has been the entrance for the post office, a gift shop, and a restaurant that opened onto the east portico.

In 1954, under the ownership of Mrs. Pearl Falls, the garage and breezeway were converted into a theatre. A new entrance was opened facing Highway 24 and reached by crossing the Fountain Creek on a wooden bridge. A theatre-restaurant known as the Pam Pam ran for several years in the Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Young opened the Center in 1967 after extensive remodeling as Bob Young’s Cabaret. “The Cabaret is now a popular entertainment spot for residents and visitors in the Pikes Peak area”.

The building is now (2015) The Winery.



Cascade Community Building Tea Room and Grocery Store, 1920  
Sanborn Photo



### Fresh Herb Kuku

Yield: 4-6 Servings



- 6 eggs
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1 t. salt
- 1/4 t. freshly ground black pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, peeled and sliced
- 1/2 c. finely chopped fresh chives or scallions

- 1 c. finely chopped fresh parsley leaves
- 1/2 c. finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 1/3 c. fresh chopped dill, or 2 T. ground dill
- 1 large potato, peeled, cooked and mashed, or 2 T. all-purpose flour
- 2 T. oil or melted butter

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- Break eggs into a large bowl. Add baking powder, salt and pepper. Beat with a fork. Add garlic, chives, parsley, cilantro, dill and mashed potato or flour, and mix together thoroughly.
- Place butter or oil in an 8-inch ovenproof baking dish or skillet and put dish in the oven for 10 to 15 minutes. Pour in the egg mixture and bake uncovered for 30 minutes or until a light golden brown.
- Serve from the baking dish or a platter. Cut into small pieces and serve hot or cold.

**From Peak Radar, May 14, 2015**  
**Guest Curator of the Week:**



Larry Black in Tunisia

After teaching 6th, 7th, and 8th grades for 30 years in Woodland Park, long-time resident Larry Black has pursued his avid interest in the Ute Pass area. He is a popular docent and speaker at Mueller State Park, a co-author of several books and a DVD, and a valued volunteer and benefactor for the Ute Pass Historical Society and Pikes Peak Museum.

Larry has recently donated many hours and hundreds of dollars to most of the projects currently happening at UPHS, including the Memorial Garden, Oral History Project, printing and office supplies.

**More School Tour Photos**



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