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President's Report

It has been a very productive time lately. Several things happened that pushed the volunteers into a position where they had to just "do it".

And most people know that once you start something it is a bit like falling dominoes, one thing leads to another. The Advocate hinted that we could have copies of the Advocates from the start to finish. So that meant a huge clean out of the storeroom in the archive centre. Just ready in case! The Carson family have very generously donated photos and great displays for the museum. Along with a VERY generous money donation. That has opened another door and we are well into this project. The photo scanning for the copies is complete, but not the album about Carsonville. Can anyone out there copy DVDs? Otherwise I will ask Greg Sansom for help. Keith Franks has donated a television, and along with Liz's DVD player there will be timber movies, and local mill videos played, or even photos. It is not finished by any means, but great fun to do.

About the same time, I overheard someone say about the vault "Oh this is just a storeroom" and my heart broke! So we had a working bee and very soon it will become yet another display area for a beautiful museum. All the photos are down and the Shire presidents of our past will be hung in the archive centre with hopefully family groups in the museum. Hard work!

The current list of "*voices from the past*" is in this newsletter. If any interest is shown, we can do more. So please come and listen.

We are trialling something to try and get locals to visit, so in September it is *free on a Saturday!* Come on in.

Check out the new web site!

Movie and Oral History Afternoon

MOVIE "RANGLE RIVER" on Friday AUGUST 16th. At 2pm and 7pm.....only \$6 for the coffee and tea. By popular demand will be showing "Rangle River" again and playing some of the tapes from older residents. Serving afternoon tea and supper. Volunteers will be needed for cooking and serving.

The "concrete fridge" has been re located from the back of the Museum to near the ramp onto the veranda out the front. Thank you Ray and Alan for a great job.

This will be my last President's report. It has been a pleasure, but my time is up! Thanks to everyone who has helped me along the way. It was appreciated and will never be forgotten.

Pam

Thank You Terry Carson

Terry has made a generous donation to the Museum and Archive Centre to enhance our resources on the local timber industry and especially the contribution the Carson family has made to this history. Many photos and albums, written histories, DVDs of the local timber industry and a beautiful red cedar cabinet in which to store many of these are among the treasures.



Carson's Cedar Cabinet



Part of the Vault before "working bee". Lots of exhibition space here

Be careful with secrets in the garden. Remember potatoes have eyes, corn ears and beanstalk

Dates for your diary:

- **Movie and Oral History afternoon (2pm) and evening (7pm). Friday 16th. August 2019.** By popular demand will be showing "'Rangle River" again and playing some of the tapes from older residents. Serving afternoon tea and supper. Volunteers will be needed for cooking and serving.
- **Annual General Meeting – 19th. August 2019 at 2.00pm.** Election of Officers for 2019/20. All positions are open, so consider nominating to ensure continued growth and progress for the Society.

From the Editor: The GSM Hospital has lent their historical archives/photos for us to scan, so there will be copies available in the Archive Centre. Thanks to Colleen Maddalena for the history scrap books and photos she had put together for the 60th.birthday celebrations. Absolute "treasures", just heaps more scanning for Jenny and Gail!! This discovery was made while researching for my Advocate Stories about the History of the Hospitals

- **"See for Free on Saturdays in September"**. Visitor numbers are very low on Saturdays, so for September we are offering free entry to the Museum. It is hoped that locals will take up

this offer to have a look at our displays and realise what great resources and archives are available. Pass on the word and encourage family and friends to come and have a look.

Requests:

- Wanted: Copies of eulogies from Grandparents, Parents and family for Family History Archives.
- **Volunteers for Museum duties** so that we can keep opening at advertised times. Some of our members are doing multiple duties on the monthly rosters and others have had to withdraw from the rosters. It is becoming difficult to fill the necessary time slots.

Voices from the Past

These CDs are for listening at your leisure. Some were made by High School Students a time ago. Others were made by family or Society members.

- (1) Duncan McIntyre 18.43 mins. - Kylie Rendell and Heather Allwood
- (3 and 4) Corporal Archibald William Chubb 38.24 mins & 27.51mins. - Anne Ribbons and Christine Schneider
- (5) Tom De Witte 14.36 mins – Leah Murray
- (6 and 8) Bill Murray Senior and Irene Murray 11.16 mins 9.06 mins – Leah Murray
- (7 and 13) Jim Bowen 1988 11.25 mins. October 1975 11.10 mins
- (11) Mrs. Griffin 4.12 mins. – Maree Griffin and Christine Schneider
- (12) Len Blanch Craven October 20th. 1975 24.59 mins
- (15) Mona Worth 2.53 mins. – Renay Worth 26/6/88
- (17) Rodney Redman 4.42 mins – Colleen Grills and Rosie Pensini
- (18) Bidy Dare June 16th. 1987 – Elizabeth Kirk
- Poley Everett History

How to cook a husband (found in an old recipe book!)

A good many husbands are entirely spoiled by mismanagement in cooking and so are not tender and good. Some women keep them too constantly in hot water, others freeze them, others put them in a stew and others keep them in a pickle. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be good and tender if managed this way, but are truly delicious if properly treated.

Do not keep him in the kettle by force, as he will stay there himself if proper care is taken, if he should sputter and fizz, don't be anxious – some husbands do this. Add a little sugar, the variety confectioners call "kisses", but on no account add vinegar or pepper.

A little spice improves him, but it must be used with judgement. Do not try him with something sharp to see if he is becoming tender. Stir him gently lest he lie too long in the kettle and become flat and tasteless.

If you follow these directions you will find him very digestible, agreeing nicely with you, and will keep as long as you want to have him.