

FRIENDS OF RAYMER

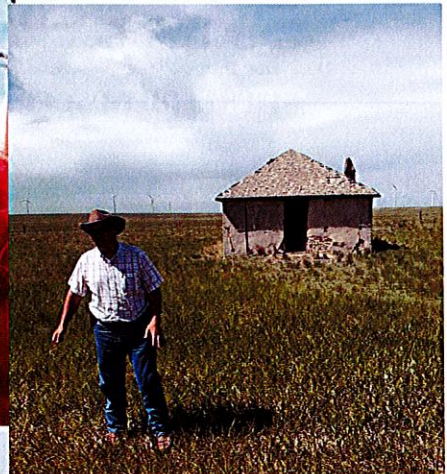
New Raymer, Colorado

August 1, 2019

ART & HISTORY DAY ON THE PRAIRIE—June 1, 2019



Friends of Raymer had a beautiful day on the Prairie, visiting the Nelson Ranch, the Stanley Ranch, and one room schools. Thank you Wayne Kragger and Zac Breazeale for driving the buses and a big thank you to Susie Kester for letting us use the buses. The Nelson and Stanley families welcomed all of us to their beautiful ranches and shared stories and history that was fascinating! Thank you Mike Stanley and Gene Nelson for sharing your wealth of information on history of the area!



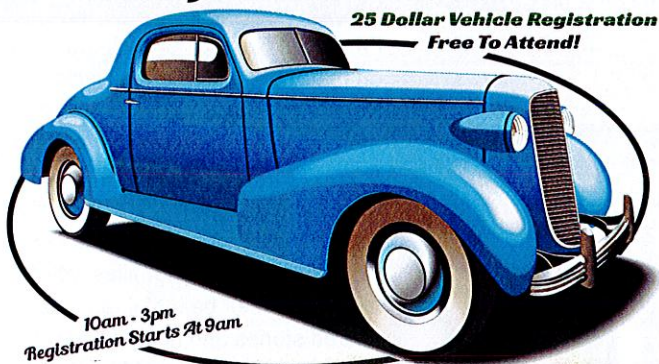
Mike Stanley at the Rockaway School.



PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE RESTORATION OF BUILDINGS ALONG HISTORIC MAIN STREET

Friends of Raymer Car Show

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH



25 Dollar Vehicle Registration
Free To Attend!

10am - 3pm
Registration Starts At 9am

CARS TRUCKS MOTORCYCLES TRACTORS

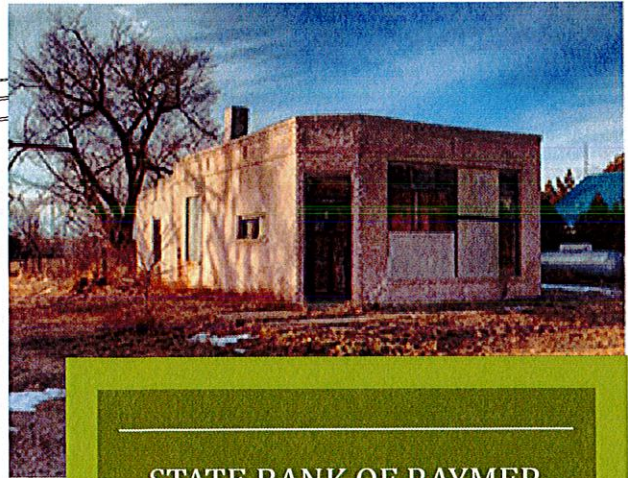
Join Us In

THE TINY TOWN OF NEW RAYMER CO

VENDORS KIDS ACTIVITIES
GREAT FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT SILENT AUCTION

Visit our website for pre-registration and event details.

WWW.FRIENDSOFRAYMER.COM



STATE BANK OF RAYMER

The State Bank of Raymer was built in 1915. It is eligible for the State Historic Register. The Review Board will consider our nomination of the State Bank of Raymer on our State Historic Register on September 20!!

Friends of Raymer Inc. Membership Form

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Email _____

Return to: Friends of Raymer Inc.
P.O. Box 82
New Raymer, CO 80742

- ☐ Check enclosed payable to: Friends of Raymer Inc.
☐ Cash enclosed.

Centre Avenue



"A Colorado Endangered Place"

☐ New Member

☐ Renewal

**Annual Membership
\$20 per Family**

***Membership expires September 30 of each year.

Preference for communications from "Friends of Raymer": (Check any or all)

☐ Written ☐ Email ☐ Phone/Text

How did you hear about Friends of Raymer?

- ☐ I would be willing to volunteer to help with projects, activities, fundraisers, etc., that "Friends of Raymer" may plan.

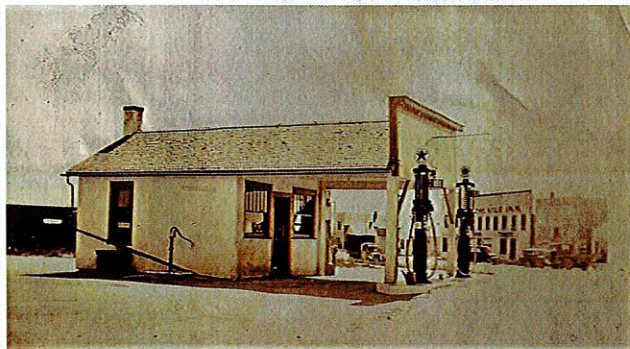
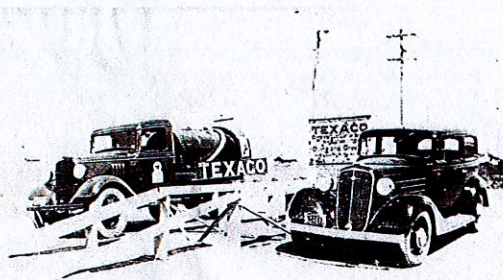
The Friends of Raymer Car Show welcomes all bicycle riders to display their favorite bicycle.

Jean Castor is pictured here.
Photo courtesy of Dorene Branning.

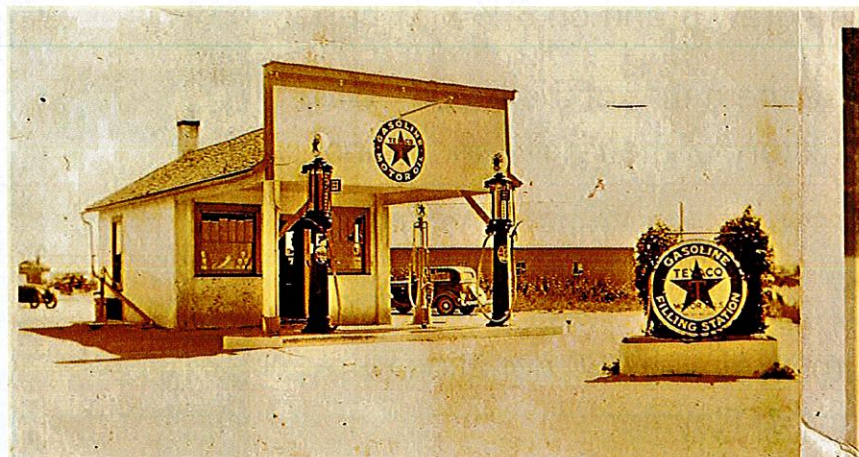
Please let us know if you have photographs to share. We will scan them and give you a USB of your scanned photos.




Ben Walker's Texaco Station will be reviewed for the National Historic Register in September, 2019!!





Harold Turner and Ben Walker in front of the station with the mercantile in the background.





Tales of the Branding Iron. Did you ever wonder how a brand came to be? What is the story behind it? We are collecting and framing the local brands and they have some interesting histories. Some local brands are pictured here. These stories are handed down by ancestors who may have come up with the brand or purchased the brand and know the story behind it. If we don't work to preserve these stories, they will be lost. This is the heritage part of our museum that is beginning to grow--won't you be a part of it?


The Rocking R brand  came into being when the owner of an Oklahoma ranch was thrown from a horse and so injured that he was forced thereafter to direct the activities of his ranch from a rocking chair.

The Double O brand  was devised by a heartbroken husband, whose wife was killed by Indians soon after they had settled on their ranch. The brand symbolizes their two wedding rings.

The Guitar brand  was established by a young New Mexico rancher who had wooed and won his beautiful Mexican wife by serenading her with that instrument.

The Broken Arrow brand  was used by a Colorado rancher whose wagon train had been attacked by Indians. During the fight an arrow struck the butt of his rifle and broke, thus saving his life.

The famous Texas brand, the Barbecue, , was used because of the owner's inordinate fondness for meat cooked in that fashion.

The Bar V M  brand was devised and used by a Wyoming rancher as a memorial to the sweetheart of his youth who had died before they could be married. His name was Marvin and hers Virginia.

BRAND FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Please draw brand on 8 ½ x 11 paper.

Include the name of the brand. Give us a history of the family and brand.

Where did they homestead? When? Who? Was it for cattle, sheep, etc.?

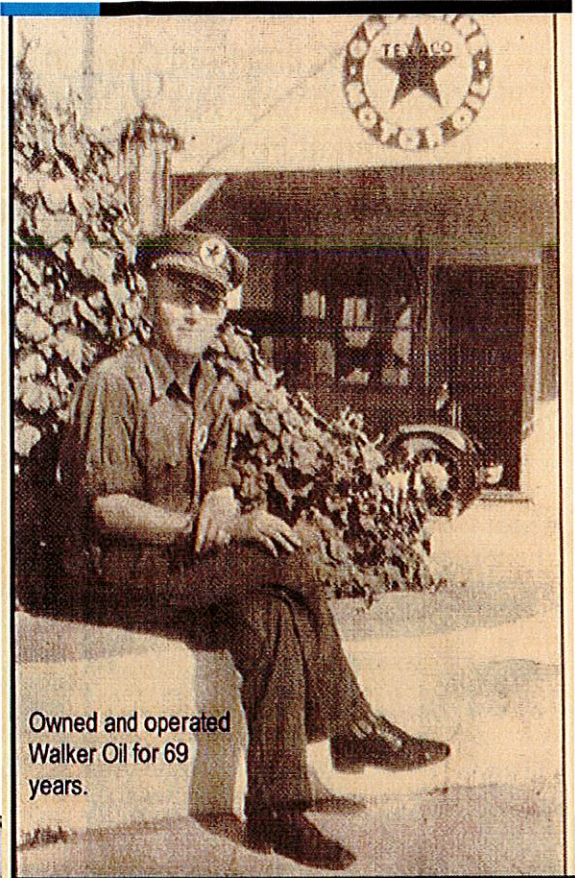
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25265 Rd. T-5, Brush, CO 80723.

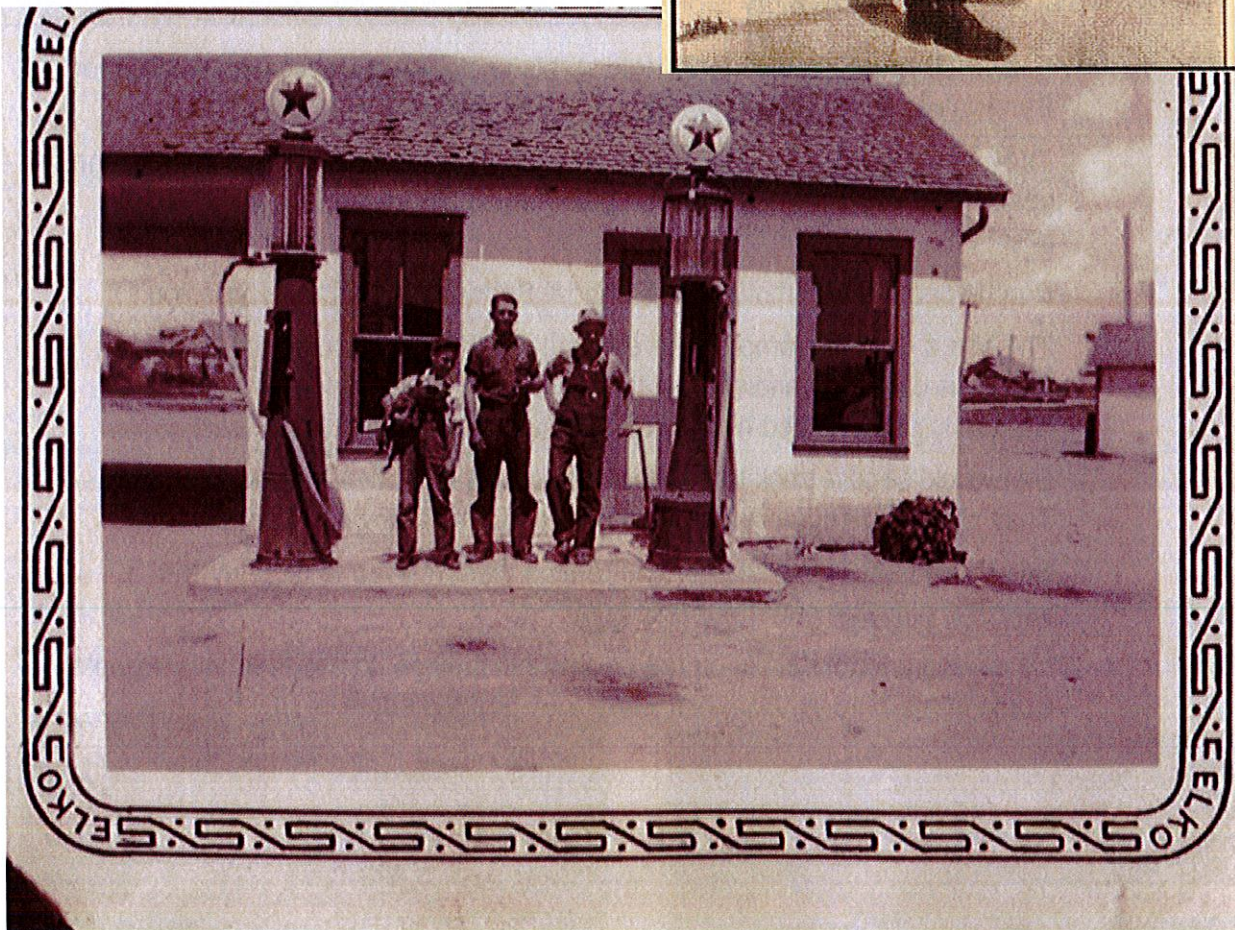




Ralph & MTC
Lambert Fische
1939



Owned and operated
Walker Oil for 69
years.



Alford Noel & May
1939

Doris Knoll and Fred Davis in his Texaco uniform. Photo provided by Ellis Knoll. Fred was working for Ben Walker at the time. Also, here is a photo of Noel Barker in 1939 working on a car at the station.



Ellis Knoll shared some stories told by his uncle, Fred Davis, who worked for Ben Walker at the Texaco Gas Station. The following are those stories:

They would send a truck to Grand Junction each fall for peaches to sell. One year they had a bunch of overripe peaches so decided to make peach brandy!

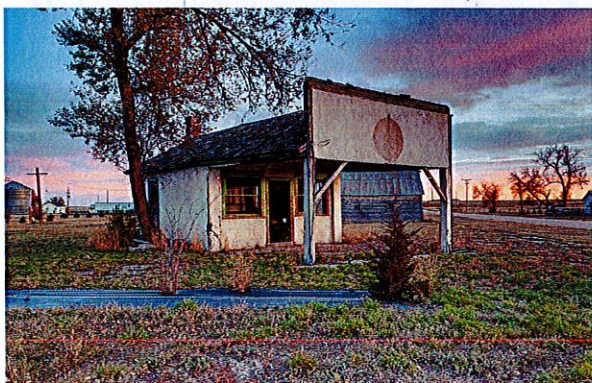
Ben helped families move to Steamboat Springs during the depression.

They had a drive-on ramp on the east side of the station. One time a person drove his car up on and without thinking, opened the door and stepped out. He got up and brushed himself off and said "Pert near hurt myself!"

Ben would send a truck to the packing houses in Denver (I think each fall). They would pick up animals at various farms until they had a load.

Ben looked after his customers. One time he sent Fred to Greeley with a very sick girl. She had rheumatic fever.

He carried a lot of people on the books until they could pay their bills. People would borrow money from him when they needed some cash.



STAR FILLING STATION

This historic gas station was built in 1925. It is eligible for National Historic Designation. The Review Board will consider our nomination of the station on September 20, 2019.