

SELF GUIDED

PIONEER WOMEN OF THE ERA



Centennial Celebration
1905-2005

Embracing our past,
Shaking hands with our future
August 18, 2005

WALKING TOUR

May, 2005

Almeda Stauffer

Pharmacist

Kate Moylle

Dentist

Mattie Gibson Fulton

City Clerk

Hanna Crann

**School Board Member for RHS
Owner and Operator of the
Winchester Hotel**

Sarah Ola Aflinson Garrison

Photographer

Birdie Caton

Justice of the Peace

Blanche Todd Goodrich

**Treasure of Presbyterian
Church and 1st Apple Pie Day
Queen**

Betty Clark

Aviator

Nina Studer Boies

**Ran a trap line, was a midwife
Helped tame wild horses**

Alice Reeves

**Dr. and nurse traveling by
horseback, wagon or on foot.**

These are only a few of the pioneer women who didn't know the meaning of "I can't". All of the pioneer women of Rifle helped make this town our home. We owe them all a debt of gratitude.

Welcome to The Rifle 1905-2005 Centennial Walking Tour. The history of Rifle has shown us many pioneers who were willing to go the extra mile to make Rifle a good place to live and raise a family. Mr. Abram Maxfield and his wife Flora were the founders of Rifle. They weren't the only ones, however, who loved it here and we hope you find this walking tour of Rifle will help acquaint you with some of the other pioneers of the early years.

We wish to thank the following sources for our tour.
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The houses we included were all built 1908 or earlier. We would have loved to add many more historical homes, but then we would have had a book. We had to stop somewhere. We've divided the walking tours into three parts for simplicity.

On the last inside page you will see a list of Pioneer Women and their importance in making Rifle a great place to live.

We have researched each home and building in anticipation that each will be as factual as possible.

Sincerely
Barb Kissell and Karen Rhoades

My Town

Wilma Fuchs

**Give all a town in which to dwell
One like my very own:
A town of beautiful houses
And every house a home;
A town of fine churches and schools
Where streets are safe and wide;
A town where cleanliness is found,
One that has civic pride;
A town of many stalwart trees
Providing restful shade;
A town with a friendly Main Street
Where fine friendships are made;
A town that's one big neighborhood
Where brotherhood is shown.
A town like this is near our hearts
Give us each one, our own.**

Poem donated by Sondra Harder

TOUR ONE
SECOND STREET RESIDENCE

In the early 1900's, 2nd Street was known as Main Street.

1. 200 E. 2nd St. Sinele home
This home was built in 1903 and later an additional half story was added. Peter J. and Mary Rose Sinele owned it. The Sineles came from Nebraska in the late 1800's. The family was very musical and Peter played the fiddle at various functions. He was well known in town for his steam threshing machine. In 1916 he was instrumental in bringing a team of horses and wagon into town, backing it up to the Christian Church and digging out the basement. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

2. 201 E. 2nd St. Zack Berthoff & Mary Jane Kiggins
This home was built in 1903 and the original home was brick. The structure combines Colonial Revival brickwork with folk Victorian patterned shingles and gable trim. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

3. 211 E. 2nd St. Ellis home
Built around 1889, and it was owned by James Walter Albert Ellis and his wife Flora Crann Ellis. This is one of the oldest surviving homes in Rifle. Bert, as he was known, was an early cattle rancher in the Rifle area. Originally he came from Illinois through Texas into Glenwood Springs before finally settling in Rifle. He worked for C.L. Todd when he met Flora Crann who was working for Mrs. Todd. They married and owned a ranch on Mamm Creek for twenty years before they moved into this home in town. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

4. 214 E. 2nd St. John Grigor
John Grigor built this home in 1903. In the 1950's an additional room was added to the rear of the house. There are turned spindles as porch supports and unique decorated verge boards. Around 1984 while repairing the porch roof, the owner found some 1934 issues of The Denver Post and The Glenwood Springs Daily Sentinel, perhaps placed here as a 'time capsule.' John Grigor was a farmer, a rancher and a miner. Teddy Roosevelt became friends with this family through their guide service and hunting when he was vice president of the United States. On more than one occasion TR was an overnight guest. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

5. 223 E. 2nd St. Charles and Anna Miller
This home was built around 1898. It was owned by Charles H. and Anna J. Miller. The original cabin was from aspen logs with a stone foundation. Charles was of Prussian descent and his wife Anna J., known as Jenny, was of Irish descent. Charles was a stone mason and carpenter. He built several of the homes and laid up the stone-work on the McLearn Building. He also worked on the foundation and was instrumental in the carpentry work for the original Catholic Church on East 5th St. where he and his family were members. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

6. 235 E. 2nd St. Holder's Rooming House
This one story residence was built in 1900. During the depression it was referred to as Holder's Rooming House run by Henrietta Alice Holder. Rifle was without a hospital by the 1940's and so, with some remodeling, it became the hospital where Dr. O. F. Clagett delivered and cared for mothers and their babies. This was the Thomas Maternity Home where many residents of Rifle were born. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

7. 241 E. 2nd St.
Built in 1898 with a stone foundation and a wood frame. There are two spindled pillars and patterned shingles in the gables. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

8. 300 E. 2nd St. Clonch
This home was built in 1903 with a hipped roof. The Clonch family owned it. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

9. 301 E. 2nd St.
Built in 1902 with a stone foundation and a gabled front. George Clarkson and John Munro were the builders. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

10. 310 E. 2nd St.
John Munro and George Clarkson built this home in 1908. It had a concrete foundation and a metal roof on the original structure. It was a front gabled home. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

11. 313 E. 2nd St.
Another home built by Munro and Clarkson. It had piers for the foundation and fiberboard siding. This is a very modest dwelling for an early Rifle family.

12. 318 E. 2nd St. George E. and Hattie Harris
A home built in 1908 by Clarkson and Munro. It had a concrete and stone foundation. It had a Swiss flair with stick wood trim that made this home unique. Former owners were George Edwin Harris and Hattie Harris. Also, Hobart Neal and his wife "Sug" owned it. Hobart was the adopted son of Rifle's banker Joseph N. Neal. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

13. 323 E. 2nd St.
A home built in 1902 with a stone foundation and brick on block. The roof is hipped in a more unusual way for the early home site. Clarkson and Munro built this home. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

14. 324 E. 2nd St. Joseph and Etta Gately
Home was built in 1898 with a stone foundation and brick and was built by our local builders, Clarkson and Munro. The front of the home is gabled with multi level eaves and it has curved brick trim above the windows. Joseph and Etta M. Gately owned and ran an early garage and service facility for automobiles from this home. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

15. 338 E. 2nd St. Sinele Terrace Duplex
 Clarkson and Munro built Sinele Terrace Duplex in 1900 with a stone foundation. It had a rectangular, box type design with a flat roof. Peter J. and Rose Marie Sinele of 200 E. 2nd St. owned this duplex. *Rifle Museum Historical Project Book*

TOUR TWO
RIFLE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS & HOMES

ADDRESS	PRESENTLY	IN 1905
1. 201 Railroad Ave.	The Rifle House	Wisemen's Rifle House

There are buildings like the Wiseman's Rifle House that were damaged by the fire of 1902 that still stand. The Rifle House was a boarding house and it is at this building where the fire was stopped, most likely because it was brick. It took 75 men working with their bucket brigade to save the building. While the men formed their brigade, the women soaked quilts and blankets brought from home and ransacked from every store in town. They crawled up the sides of the buildings and nailed the cloth to roof tops and sides. The building was saved. *Rifle Vignettes and Rifle Shots*

2. 101 W. 3rd	Flintlock Bldg.	J. W. Hugus Mercantile
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This building was built in 1903. The site of the original Hugus store was here and is where the 1902 fire started. Mr. Hugus had 2 stores in Colorado as well as 7 banks. The Rifle J.W. Hugus store started in 1885. Fred Munro was employed as head clerk here. *Rifle Shots*

3. 121 W. 3rd	Rifle Lock & Safe	Stone Meat Market
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The fire of 1902 caused the main business district of Rifle to move from 2nd to 3rd St. This damaged building helped form the backbone of the new downtown area. The front covered with wood siding camouflages this historic building. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

4. 133 W. 3rd	Old Town Hall
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This building was Rifle's first Town Hall. This was the center of Rifle. The building provided town meeting space and city government. The town bell is now in the Rifle Creek Museum. It signaled fires, floods and other community disasters. The present City Hall on Railroad Ave. is where the old historic Winchester Hotel once stood where President Teddy Roosevelt stayed 100 years ago on April 22nd, 1905. Look up to the big top window at the tin ceiling. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*
(PLEASE CROSS THE STREET)

5. 124 W. 3rd	Flora Maxfield
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Flora Maxfield owned this property in the early 1900's. After the death of her husband, Abram Maxfield in 1897, Flora continued as a developer of Rifle. She developed and sold the Maxfield addition, which includes much of Railroad and East

Avenue and sold property on the east side of East Avenue (known as Silk Stocking Avenue). This house survived the 1902 fire. Look up at the front gable at the top of the house for the sign "Flora Maxfield House Circa 1902". *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

6. 120 W. 3rd	Stuver, LeMoine, & Burwell	Leyner family home
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The residence of Leyner stood on this site. There was a birthday party in progress at this home when the 1902 fire was first seen and alarm was sounded. The modern brick building totally encompasses this early Rifle home. Mr. Leyner was the town pharmacist. *Rifle Museum Historical Project and Rifle Shots*

7. 108-110 W. 3rd	Moda Apparel/Jackson Hewitt Tax	Dr. Kate Moylle
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This home, build in 1898 - 99 was built by Fred Munro (prominent business man of the era). The home was sold to the Moylle family where Kate was the first lady dentist in Rifle. In fact, she was the first dentist period. She inherited the building on the condition that she would never marry, and she didn't. She practiced her dentistry until her retirement. She was known as "a meticulous delicate lady, capable of taking care of the smallest child, the crustiest farmer and the toughest cow waddie." *Rifle Vignettes*

8. 100 W. 3rd	Sports Bar	McLearn Mercantile Bldg.
305-311 Railroad	Calamity Jane, Hair Clipper & Exquisite Design	

The citizens of Rifle rebuilt the downtown area after the fire of 1902 even better than before. The McLearn building on the corner of W, 3rd and Railroad was built and on the first story, dry goods, grocery and hardware departments as well as the office occupied it. There was a second story that was filled with a fine display and stock of furniture. It was the largest mercantile concern in Garfield County and one of the most up to date and enterprising firms to be found anywhere outside the large cities. The building was erected from native stone that had been quarried just across the river south of town by expert workmen. It cost a whopping \$22,500 to build. Mr. McLearn lived at 320 E. 3rd St. He was the first President of the Rifle Chamber of Commerce in 1905. *Rifle Shots/Rifle Vignettes*



McLearn Bldg.

9. 401 Railroad Odd Fellows (Lighthouse Restaurant) Odd Fellows
The Odd Fellows was the first organized group in Rifle. The hall was finished in 1895. The building survived the fire of 1902 and housed the Presbyterian Church in 1901-03. It was the first theater, hosted dances, plays and many social events. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*
(PLEASE CROSS THE STREET)

10. 330 Railroad U.S.Post Office U.S. Post Office
The Post Office became part of the business district in 1902. The first Post Office on this site burned during the 1902 fire and Ed McLearn attempted to save the mail but when threatened by falling awnings, was lucky to save himself. This building is on the National Historic Register.
(WALK BACK TOWARDS 3RD STREET)

11. 101 E. 3rd Timberline Sporting Goods Stauffers Pharmacy

The damaged Leyner Pharmacy site (called City Drug Store) was bought by J. E. Stauffer along with the drug stock that was salvaged from the big fire of 1902. He was the first registered pharmacist in the new town. He rebuilt his new drug store on this site. Almeda Stauffer, JE's wife, who was also a pharmacist, graduated from Kansas University School of Pharmacy in 1897. They operated Stauffer's Pharmacy for 52 years and retired in 1954. *Rifle Vignettes*

12. 103-107 E. 3rd Forerunner Corporation Glover Barber/Jewelry Shop
The 2 story building on this site belonged to Mr. Glover and was a barbershop. The original building was damaged in the fire but Mr. Glover rebuilt a 2-story brick building and continued with his barbershop and jewelry store as well. The building looks much the same as it did in 1902 over 100 years ago. Notice the balcony and artistic brickwork in the upper level. *Rifle Shots/Rifle Vignettes*

**13. 111 E. 3rd Thai Chili Bistro/
Creekbend Cafe Rifle Sanitarium**

A large building was built next to the Glover Bldg. by Pike Donnell in 1904 for Dr. Dymenberg. It was sold to Dr. Beal and was called the Rifle Sanitarium. It was a hospital with 10 beds, operating room, maternity care, X-ray, exams and massage. In 1917 the building was sold to A.D. Raynard for a hotel. Don and Marilyn Ukele owned the property from the mid 1960's until 1978 where the oil shale boom made the property highly desirable to outsiders. Finally in the 1980's, because of an Oil Shale Bust, it went out of business and laid in disrepair for a number of years before Mr. Shapira bought it and transformed it back to it's former splendor in 2003. It has also been said that when the building was dwntrrodden there were footsteps heard on the upper floors. Do you suppose it is haunted? *Rifle Shots/Reflections*

14. 118.E. 3rd Miller's Dry Goods A.D. Raynard
This building was built in 1907 by C.W. Donnell and was a hotel/restaurant until the year of 1912 when it was a ladies clothing store and then Wilson's Clothing Store. Gary and Monica Miller now own this vintage decorated clothing store and they will even let you try out the antique cash register when you come in for a visit. Gary has a unique vintage collection of bubble gum machines in his store. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

15. 120 E. 3rd Base Camp Cafe Hoffmeister Bakery
This building was also built by C.W. Donnell and was a bakery. It was built in 1905 with the 2nd story added in 1906. This building and the Miller Dry Goods building are virtually intact as they were in 1912. This space was bought by J. Albert Zieseniss and Charles Todd for their mercantile. It was sold to Glen and Daisy Donnell in 1905 and turned into a car dealership. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

16. 129 E. 3rd Cowboy Calf A Dr. W. J. LeRossignol
This was the original physicians office for Dr. LeRossignol. It was built in 1898. An Influenza Epidemic in 1917 was responsible for killing many of the local youth. The people of Rifle sent a petition to Camp Funston where Dr. LeRossignol was stationed and he was given a furlough to return to Rifle to care for his patients. *Rifle Shots*

17. 144 E. 3rd Garfield County Bldg. Munro Mercantile Co.
Fred Munro built this building. He was the first Garfield County Surveyor. Munro, George Clarkson and William Dougan started a general mercantile store in this building. The store operated for 30 years and had branches in neighboring towns. J.C. Penney's and Henry's Department Stores were housed here before the County bought it. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

RESIDENTS OF EAST THIRD

18. 201 E. 3rd

LeRossignol Home

The Walter J. LeRossignol family owned this home on 3rd St. in Rifle as early as 1900. He and his wife Laura (widowed) married in late 1899 or early 1900. Walter was born in Canada, but took pride in his and his father's French origins. He immigrated to the United States in 1894 and soon became a U. S. citizen.

Walter was a practicing physician and in 1905 owned the building that we have known for several years as the (old) Base Camp Café. According to Rifle Shots, he was the first secretary of Rifle Light, Heat & Power in 1908. This house was built on the Maxfield lot where Abram and Flora Maxfield first had a cabin.

Mattie Fulton was the City Clerk who, as a little girl, had fallen in love with this home. It was bought for her by her husband as a wedding gift. Mattie had her office in the front parlor and 3 generations of Fultons have lived here. *Rifle Shots and Fulton Family*

19. 202 E. 3rd

Coleys Filling Station

Edgar Coles Filling Station was known as the first filling station in Rifle. It is now a studio where ceramics is taught and items are displayed in the windows. It was known as Coleys Station. *Rifle Vignettes*

20. 208A E. 3rd

Fremont Dixon Home

This home was built approximately in 1900 and owned by Fremont Dixon who was previously a rancher on Piceance Creek. Frank Squire was another resident of this home whose wife, Anna Russell once made a grueling marathon ride of 100 miles in 2 days to post legal notices of court actions for water rights that were vital to area ranchers. *Rifle Creek Museum Historical book*

21. 215-217 E. 3rd

William and Hannah

Vaughn Crann

Hannah was a lady School Board member for Rifle High School in 1926 and owned and ran the Winchester Hotel for 2 years. Their house was built in 1903. She and her husband were the first married couple in Pitkin County as well as being the first to drive a wagon through the narrow canyon west of Glenwood Springs. *Rifle Creek Museum Historical book*

22. 218 E. 3rd

Mock/ Kendall home

Cyrus Kendall was an early owner of this home. He was sheriff in 1887 and Rifle's mayor in 1910. This home was built in 1904. One previous owner, Gladys Dow was the Director of The Denver Mint and her husband Norman a contractor. *Rifle Creek Museum Historical book*

23. 228-230 E. 3rd

Frank Cook (Dr. John Morelock)

Frank Cook came to Rifle by wagon train with his father and 5 brothers. His father, John Cook, was a Civil War Veteran. Dr. John Morelock later owned this home and added an addition for his office. *Rifle Creek Museum Historical book*

24. 241 E. 3rd

Charles and Mina Todd House

Charles was an orphan boy from Maine and was raised by foster parents in Wisconsin. He built the store that became Western Mercantile Company and was appointed Rifle's postmaster in 1903. In 1893 he bought Rifle founder Maxfield's homestead and built this imposing brick home on it in 1900. As Rifle's "first promoter", Todd served as an editor, school board member, mayor, Fair Association founder, power company president and undertaker. *Rifle Creek Museum book*

25. 303 E. 3rd

This home was built in 1908 and has lovingly been taken care of. It was occupied by Dr. O.F. Clagett and his wife Effie and family. Dr. Clagett came to Rifle in 1923 and faithfully served the community for 30 years. There are arched windows and decorative shingles in the front gable.

26. 306 E. 3rd

First Christian Church

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During the 1890's, Minister Horace Mann built the First Christian Church. This church became the Presbyterian Church a few years later. There was a window in the church that has an open Bible with a star above it, white lilies below and on each side there is an American Flag with Roosevelt's motto, "All Men Up- Not some Men Down" This beautiful window is in the Rifle Library at 107 East 2nd Street.

Reverend Mann was also the first Chairman of "Apple Pie Days". Imagine how busy he must have been.

The second First Christian Church was built in 1904 and stands to this day.



27. 312 E. 3rd St.

First Christian Church

parsonage

The building at 312 E. 3rd St. is presently the parsonage for the First Christian Church. It belonged at one time to Jimmy Neal who worked for the stockyards and he sold to Mr. Fred Garrison who, with his wife, Ola, chronicled much of Rifle with their photographs. Reverend Otto Duckworth called this home for many years. *Rifle Vignettes and the Rifle Creek Museum Book*

28. 317 E. 3rd

Harry Smith home

The Smith home was built in 1900. Harry lived in this home for over 50 years and was identified in Rifle Shots as an employee of Munro Mercantile Company. He was one of the people who came from Nova Scotia with Mr. McLearn. *Rifle Creek Museum Book*

29. 320 E. 3rd

Jim McLearn home

Mr. McLearn was the first President of the Rifle Chamber of Commerce in 1905. He was also County Commissioner, town trustee, and member of the school board. He was instrumental in getting a sewer system, water, electricity and paved streets for Rifle and pioneered road building throughout the county. Mr. McLearn was the patriarch of a large Nova Scotia family that migrated to Rifle in stages starting in 1890s. Notice the trees look like they have stories to tell about this home. Rifle Shots

McLearn Home



30. 327 E. 3rd

Duckett house

The Duckett home was built in 1908 with an addition in 1960. He was a schoolteacher on Piceance Creek. There is a nice flower garden at this home for all to enjoy.

TOUR THREE
EAST AVENUE

This street was known as Silk Stocking Avenue. It was a major road through town from the South Rifle [Grand River] Bridge.

1. 102 East Ave.

Caton House

The home was built in 1900 and owned by Frank and Adelaide (Birdie) Caton. It was a log and frame home. A log cabin was moved from nearer the Colorado River (in earlier times it was known as the Grand River) and combined with another log cabin believed to be an early stage stop. Frank was a forest ranger for the White River National Forest. Birdie was Justice of the Peace. The south end of the home was used for judicial purposes. The north end was their residence. (The Forest Service is also celebrating their centennial at this time.)

2. 200 East 4th

United Methodist Presbyterian Church

The Methodist Church was begun in the fall of 1889 and was ready for use the early part of the next year. A. W. Maxfield gave the lots on which it was built. He also donated colored glass windows, the pulpit and the painting of the letters of the Lord's Prayer. Mr. C. L. Todd donated the sizeable amount of \$150.00 towards the church.

In 1905 this frame church was replaced with a brick building, which still stands and turns 100 years old this year. It cost \$8,000 to build the new church. The old church is still standing also and is on County Road 233 where it was moved.

The Church has a 2,400 pound bell. A fire gutted the interior of the church on January 19, 1916. It was repaired with the addition of an organ donated by Herman Heinze in memory of his wife. The organ is still a part of the church today. .

Heinze Park was named after him. This church is part of the living history of its community. Stones were quarried and brick was kilned locally. The stained glass windows honor the Union's contribution to the "War between the States." There is a time capsule in the corner stone of this church. Carillon bells were installed January 2005.

3. 436 East Ave.

State Farm

The home was built in 1905. It has a front gable porch. This is the only original home on this block with the Methodist church. The 4th St. School once occupied most of the rest of the block.

4. 504 East Ave.

Pike Donnell House

D.M. (Pike) Donnell was an early Rifle businessman, architect and contractor. With his brother Glen, Donnell started the Ladies Bazaar, later the Rifle Creek Mercantile Company. He incorporated the Rifle Telegram Publishing Company on Jan. 17, 1905. He built the Midland Hotel and was the first Ford dealer on Colorado's Western Slope. It was stated in the 1902 Rifle Reveille article by Flora Maxfield, that the house cost \$3,500. It has been remodeled and restored to its former beauty showing the folk Victorian architecture of Silk Stocking Avenue. There is a carriage house out back of the home. Rifle Museum Historical Project/Rifle Shots

5. 532 East Ave.

Conger/Moore house

Dr. Mary Moore was raised here with her parents after they moved to the area from Leadville. She practiced medicine in Rifle during the 1940's and her office was in the Moylle building. It was built 1908. The large blue spruces are probably as old as the house.

6. 600 East Ave.

Hamp and Veda Haley

This wonderful home was built in 1901-1902. The Haley's came to Rifle by train in 1900. Hamp started the First National Bank of Rifle in 1901. He was treasurer of the Rifle Light, Heat and Power Company, which built the first hydro plant below Rifle Falls. He was also very active in civic affairs. He sold his interest in the bank and moved to Denver in 1920. Notice the large white columned front porch with jigsaw cut fencing around the deck. Rifle Museum Historical Project

7. 601 East Ave.

An attractive intact small home on Silk Stocking Ave. There is a unique round window on the north side of the home. It represents the early 1900's construction in the community. The home was built in 1908. It has a full width porch, turned spindled supports and attractive patterned gable. Rifle Museum Historical Project

8. 612 East Ave.

Mr. And Mrs. Richard Magor

This magnificent home was built in 1889. It is the best example of a Tudor style home in Rifle. Mr. Magor was instrumental in forming the Rifle Fruit & Production

Association and was Mayor of Rifle for 8 years. They celebrated their 63rd anniversary at this home in 1954. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

9. 615 East Ave.

Ray and Memie Reigan

This home was built in 1898. The Reigan's owned it and he owned the first Chevrolet Auto Dealership in 1922. During the building boom at the beginning of WW II they moved across the street to the Sands home at 618 East Ave. and turned 615 into a duplex. It has arched windows and patterned gables. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

10. 625 East Ave.

Tippett/Schemerhorn/Lillian

Zaun

This is one of Rifle's oldest homes dating back to 1893. It was sold from Tippett to Mr. Schemerhorn and then to Lillian Zaun who opened the first theater in Rifle with her son Carl at the Odd Fellows in 1911. This home served as a town house for a series of Piceance Creek ranchers, Benjamin Franklin and Gabrielle Haley as well as Rose Alley primarily for their children's education and retirement to town. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

11. 730 East Ave.

This home was built in 1908. Rifle grew rapidly between 1900 and 1910. This is a typical home of the era and adds to the character of Silk Stocking Ave. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

12. 756 East Ave.

Wilshires

Built in 1898 this folk cottage remains virtually intact with it's square medium pitch hip roof and full porch and turned spindle supports. The rocking chairs and old lanterns in the front of the home make you want to come sit a spell. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*

13. 808 East Ave.

Stanley Harp

This 1908 home is a plain but elegant addition to Silk Stocking Ave. Stanley with his brother Thad, owned 2-ten passenger buses, horse drawn sleds for winter, 2 Studebaker cars and 3 International freight trucks, 8 harness mules and 8 horses all of which were used for carrying passengers, express, and freight between Rifle and Meeker. This was the oldest continuous transportation freight company (run by family members) in Colorado and it existed until 1963. *Rifle Museum Historical Project*