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Professor to Speak on Latino History

The history of Latino populations on Colorado's Western Slope will be the focus of presentations by professor Ernesto Sagás on Saturday, March 14, at Glenwood Springs Branch Library.

The presentation explores the ways in which Latinos have historically interacted with western Colorado's Anglo society, carving out their own spaces while struggling for social and legal equality. He presents a demographic and socioeconomic profile of the Latino population, dispelling common stereotypes and pointing out areas of concern for policymakers.

Dr. Sagás will give his presentation in English at 11:00 am and in Spanish at 3:00 pm. Both presentations are free to attend. A limited supply of Dr. Sagás book, *Latino Colorado: The Struggle for Equality in the Centennial State*, will be available for purchase.

Dr. Sagás is professor of ethnic studies at Colorado State University and a political analyst for Univisión Colorado. In 2022 he was a Fulbright U. S. scholar in La Paz, Bolivia. Along with Latino Colorado, he is the author of *Race and Politics in the Dominican Republic*, and author of several articles on race and politics, democracy and authoritarianism, and immigration policies, among other topics.

On April 11, Clara Miller speaks on the 1897 Sunshine Mine Disaster.
In addition to sponsors, the speaker series receives support from Garfield County Libraries.

We're Hiring

The historical society is seeking a part-time **Tours, Events, and Education Coordinator** to lead the planning and delivery of guided history tours, assist with the implementation of fundraising events and other public programs, and plan and coordinate educational activities for local schools.

The position pay is $25/hour, and some evenings and weekends are required. Desired skills and qualifications include:

- Experience in event planning, education, museum work, or non-profit programming
- Strong organizational and communication skills; able to work independently and collaboratively
- Knowledge of local history preferred
- Bilingual (English/Spanish) a plus

For a full job description and additional information, write to Mark Jensen, Executive Director, at director@glenwoodhistory.org.

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Leave No Coke Oven Behind!

A Cardiff Coke Ovens Status Report

In mid-January, more than 30 people attended the historical society's presentation on the Cardiff Coke Ovens, including Carolyn Cipperly's informative presentation on the site's history.

Based on the feedback provided then, the society's board of directors has resolved to work toward solutions to the various issues regarding the ovens, including resolving property boundary and ownership questions. Charting a path toward the complimentary goals of preserving the ovens and enabling meaningful public access and enjoyment.

The board has decided to proceed with a property line survey and an appraisal of the property to help determine next steps (so that, indeed, no coke oven is left behind).

The survey and appraisal, unfortunately, are not provided for free. While the society can currently cover the expense, doing so will redirect funding from other worthy goals. To help achieve this and all of the society's goals, the board of directors hopes for financial support from the community to defray that expense.

Contributions qualify towards society membership and can be made at GlenwoodHistory.org. Or, contact Mark Jensen using the contact info at the bottom of this page.

Thank you for your helping save the Cardiff Coke Ovens

These tykes were crowned winners of a child's pageant in the early 1950s, but we don't know their names! Do you?

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Glenwood Springs Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to collect and preserve materials relating to the history of Glenwood Springs and Garfield County; make these materials available for research; interpret them through exhibits, publications, and educational programs; and cooperate with others to achieve these goals.

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NOTICE

The next issue of this newsletter will include a listing of society members. We're proud to show your support and hope you are, too!

But, if you'd like to keep your contribution confidential, just write or call Mark Jensen to clarify your wishes,

director@glenwoodhistory.org
or 970-945-4448.

Help Preserve History

You're invited to become a member of Glenwood Springs Historical Society!

Your annual donation helps the society preserve and share the unique history of Glenwood Springs, a Colorado treasure.

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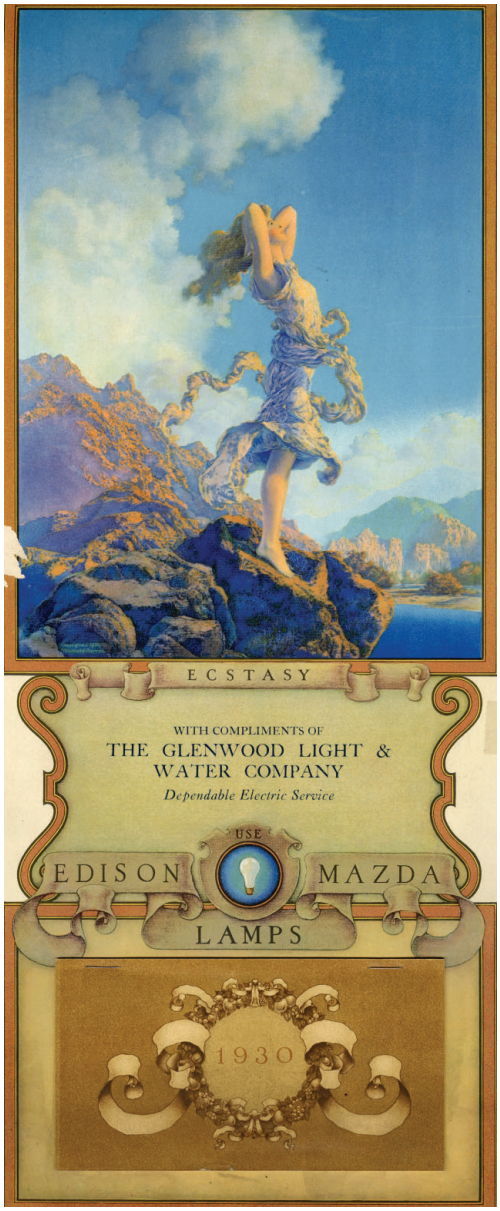

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~~Tier 1 $5,000 (10 tickets)~~
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Tier 2 $2,500 (6 tickets)
Thank you Glenwood Hot Springs Resort
Tier 3 $1,000 (4 tickets)
Tier 4 $500 (2 tickets)

Gingerbread Competition

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Thank you Glenwood Hot Springs Resort and Hotel Colorado
Tier 3 $250

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Speaker Series (7 events)
Special History Tours (3 events, TBA)
Tier 1 (8 tickets/season)
Tier 2 (4 tickets/season)
Tier 3 (2 tickets/season)

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Guided History Walking Tours (ongoing)
Tier 1 (10 tickets/season)
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Tier 3 (2 tickets/season)