# HIKING THROUGH HISTORY JANE GILSINGER

#### **JANUARY** 1 1882 Marie Reichenecker, South Park pioneer, dies 2 1871 Louis Guiraud land filing 4 1860 Tarryall I P. O. established 5 1880 Mountaindale P. O. established 6 1962 Roberts Tunnel from Dillon Reservoir completed 7 1862 Co. seat moved from Tarryall City to Buckskin Joe 1917 18 bldgs. burn in Alma fire 7 10 1862 Abraham Bergh land filing 10 1893 Explosion at King Coal Mine kills 24 16 1876 Ned Corbin, Bailey rancher, is born 17 1882 Open house at Fairplay's new stone school 19 1909 Milton Gibbs, Shawnee rancher, dies 21 1936 Boreas Pass train wreck 25 1880 Cicero Simms (later hanged) kills John Johnson in Alma 28 1916 Charles Wilkin (Fairplay lawyer, judge) dies 29 1862 Charles Hall land filing 30 1914 Ah Yut, last Chinese miner, dies near Fairplay **FEBRUARY** 1 1874 No snow reported in South Park 1 1905 Forest Reserves transferred to USFS 2 1900 Last train over Boreas Pass before 5 week snow closure 4 1915 Hotel, Catholic Church and mine office destroyed in Alma fire 5 1913 Oswald Henriks killed in Montgomery Gulch 6 1894 Balfour P. O. established 7 1848 James Tyler, Shawnee rancher, is born 11 1913 James Link killed in train wreck in Guatemala 12 1930. William Tyler, Shawnee rancher, dies 14 1889 Spinney P. O. established 17 1883 Fairplay gets quarantine law for smallpox 18 1871 John Buyer, South Park rancher, is born 20 1879 First issue of Fairplay Flume 22 1965 Tom McQuaid, Salt Works Ranch owner, died 24 1874 Holland P. O. established 25 1915 3 Lake George ice houses filled with 7,000 tons of ice 26 1869 South Park City (Fairplay) incorporated 26 1951 Shorty, Fairplay burro, killed by car 28 1861 Colorado Territory established

MARCH

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1
      1876 Tim Borden land filing
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      1907 Pike National Forest evolved from Forest Reserves
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      1938 William McConnell, Fairplay miner, dies
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      1928 Engineer J.P. Nichols dies in RR wreck near Como
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      1873 Alma P. O. established
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      1900 5-week snow closure on Boreas Pass RR ends
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      1906 Richard Tremayne, Guffey rancher, dies
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      1928 6 county residents arrested for bootlegging
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      1862 Adolph Guiraud land filing
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      1905 Agnes Hepburn, Grant rancher, dies
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      1874 Charles Hall land filing
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      1875 Hartsel P. O. established
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      1869 George Parmelee land filing
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      1900 End of 3-month RR snow closure between Fairplay & Alma
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      1884 Fairplay jailbreak by accused murderer Byard
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      1875 Olney Borden land filing
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      1881 Alma Town Hall destroyed in fire
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      1880 Murder in Alma
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      1937. Fire in Alma
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      1935 Wood part of Como roundhouse burns
APRIL
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      1863 Hepburn Ditch, oldest water right in Platte Canyon
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      1879 Johnny Hoover (later lynched) kills Tom Bennett in Fairplay
      1881 Horseshoe smelter burns
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      1872 William Bailey land claim
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      1905 Isabella Horn, Bailey rancher, dies
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      1902 Alice Eos, Bailey saw mill owner, is born
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      1884 2 month snow blockade on Boreas Pass RR ends
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      1896 Hammond P. O. established
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      1937 Last passenger train leaves Como
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      1937 Last freight train leaves Como
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      1921 Glentivar P. O. established
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      1931 Charles Eddy, South Park rancher, dies
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      1884 King P. O. established
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      1900 Shawnee P. O. established
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      2002 Snaking fire begins
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      1877 Hardy Epperson land filing
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      1880 John Hoover lynched & hanged from Courthouse window
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      1904 Old Mose (grizzly) is killed
MAY
      1866 Borden, Crosier, Farnum (1868) Ditches, oldest water rights on upper
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Tarryall

1 1868 Farnum Ditch oldest water right on lower Tarryall 1 1928 Trump P. O. established 7 1877 Webster P. O. established 10 1871 Tremayne #1 ditch, oldest water right on W. Fourmile 10 1872 Mining Law enacted 12 1905 Pikes Peak Forest Reserve created (now Pike NF) 14 1916 William Craig, Jefferson rancher, dies 15 1891 Lake George P. O. established 15 1928 Alma School burns 15 1957 South Park City Museum first opened 1870 Huge forest fire in northeast part South Park 16 16 1871 Grant P. O. established 16 1891 Kenosha P. O. established 17 1916 Henry Rockett acquitted of murdering Tom Mullican in Lake George 19 1879 Railroad construction reaches Kenosha Pass 20 1862 Homestead Act enacted 20 1926 Harriet Cassells, rancher (later Camp Santa Maria), dies 23 1883 Dake P. O. established 23 1896 Guffey P. O. established 28 1871 Buffalo Springs P. O. established 28 1873 Charles Hall land filing 29 1928 Charles Fitzsimmons, Bailey pioneer, dies 1900 William Bailey, Bailey pioneer, dies in California 30 JUNE 1 1880 "Long Jack" shoots Jack Taylor in hip at Hamilton 1 1882 Peter Horn land filing 2 1894 Streeter sentenced to hang for killing Como Marshall Cook 3 1863 James Castello land filing 3 1901 Ward Maxcy, early South Park sheepman, dies 4 2001 Reggie's Restaurant near Pine Junction burns 5 1902 Insmont P. O. established 5 1909 Marie Guiraud, Garo rancher, dies 6 1868 Jacob Radliff land filing 6 1969 Park County Historical Society organized 8 2002 Hayman fire begins 9 1867 Salt Works reports 4,000 lbs. salt per day 11 1881 Mack Harris, 12, drowns in flume near Fairplay 11 1906 Forest Homestead Act enacted 12 1883 2 feet snow in high peaks near Fairplay and Alma 12 2000 Hi Meadow fire begins 14 1884 Peter Allstrum kills neighbor Horace Voss on 31 Mile Creek 15 1861 Beery Ditch oldest irrigation right in South Park

- 17 1912 1½ feet of snow in Fairplay & Alma
  17 1914 Lake George dam breaks
  18 1874 South Park City P. O. established
- 19 1899 Cassells P. O. established20 1899 Black Mountain P. O. established
- 21 1879 Railroad construction reaches Como
- 23 1871 John Link land filing
- 23 1885 Boiler blast kills 2 at sawmill near Herring Park
- 25 1883 London P. O. established
- 25 1888 Howbert plat filed
- 26 1859 Prospector killed near Jefferson Lake
- 26 1864 Reynolds gang robs stage
- 28 1880 Mullenville P. O. established
- 29 1880 Garo P. O. established

# **JULY**

- 3 1885 J.J. Smith kills ex partner J.W. Grow at Webster
- 6 1892 Louisa Holthusen, Como rancher, dies
- 7 1897 Conrad P. O. established
- 8 1934 Bank of Alma is robbed
- 10 1873 Mary Ella Tyler, Shawnee rancher, is born
- 15 1874 Hall Valley smelter reported ready for operation
- 15 1892 Chase P. O. established
- 18 1946 Gus Peterson, Bailey rancher, dies
- 19 1880 Robbers take stage strongbox at Red Hill Station
- 19 1880 Fairplay incorporated
- 21 1862 Montgomery P. O. established
- 23 1879 Mosquito Pass toll road opens
- 23 1879 Como P. O. established
- 23 1880 Hundreds see murderer Cicero Simms hang in Fairplay
- 24 1874 Zach Taylor shoots Indian at Kenosha House
- 25 1936 Engineer McGowan dies in runaway train on Kenosha Pass
- 26 1860 Hamilton P. O. established
- 26 1864 Reynolds gang robs stage near McLaughlin Ranch
- 27 1903 Town hall & blacksmith shop burn in Jefferson
- 29 1907. Timothy Borden, Tarryall rancher, dies
- 30 1870 James Castello land filing

# **AUGUST**

- 1 1876. Colorado becomes a state
- 2 1861 Fairplay P. O. established
- 5 1918 Last Midland RR passenger train leaves Park Co.
- 7 1966. New Park County Hospital dedicated
- 9 1880 Estabrook P. O. established

- 9 1881 Bailey plat filed 10 1874 Kester P. O. established 10 1874 Hall Valley P. O. established 11 1887 Truro P. O. established 13 1882 15-24" snow in mountains 13 1904 Hayman P. O. established 14 1863 Pro-Union party picks candidates at convention in Fairplay 14 1867 Henry Farnum land filing 16 1862 South Park salt for sale ad in Rocky Mountain News 19
  - 1861 800+ residents vote in 1st Territorial election. Hamilton's Daniel Witter elected to Legislature
  - 1909. Bailey flood 19
  - 19 1951 Lightning hits Ling Mine
  - 20 1863 O. W. Turner land filing
  - 21 1909 Flood on 31 Mile Creek destroys crops and house
  - 21 1913 Maria Decker robbed and murdered at Hay Ranch
  - 23 1880 Horse Shoe P. O. established
  - 24 1903 Joseph Hartsel's body found after missing for 2 yrs.
  - 25 1871 Deer Valley P. O. established
  - 27 1868 Schuyler Colfax (future vice president) party makes pilgrimage up Mt. Lincoln
  - 31 1851 Benjamin Tyler, Shawnee rancher, is born
  - 31 1882 High country miners driven out by 15-24 inches of snow

# **SEPTEMBER**

- 2 1938 Last scrap train leaves Como
- 3 1894 Saloon in King robbed
- 5 1962 Sarah Tyler, Shawnee rancher, dies
- 7 1899 Fireman Clayton dies in runaway train on Boreas Pass
- 11 1879 Garo plat filed
- 13 1878 Fairville P.O. established
- 15 1860 Laurette (Buckskin Joe) town council organized
- 18 1871 Elizabeth Entriken land claim near Bailey
- 19 1896 Tarryall II (Puma City) P. O. established
- 20 1867 Sarah Tyler, Shawnee rancher, is born
- 20 1874 Fairplay Masons reported to have had meeting on top of Mt. Lincoln
- 22 1885 John Parmalee, Deer Creek/South Park, pioneer dies
- 23 1905 2 killed at London Mine
- 24 1870 Edward Smith land filing
- 25 1884 Garo depot burns
- 26 1873 Most of Fairplay burns
- 27 1878 Platte Station (Weston Pass tollgate) P. O. established
- 29 1879 Bordenville P. O. established

### OCTOBER

- 1 1867 Margaret Kleinknecht, Hartsel merchant, is born
- 2 1871 Henry Guiraud, South Park rancher, is born
- 3 1879 Jefferson P. O. established
- 3 1965 Mary Ella Tyler, Shawnee rancher, died
- 5 1874 Vigilantes run hoodlum Jack Reynolds out of Alma
- 6 1863 Samuel Hartsel land filing
- 10 1882 Gunplay in attempted Mosquito Gulch holdup
- 10 1917 4 businesses & P.O. burn in Alma
- 11 1940 Kiowa Lodge in Bailey burns
- 12 1882 3 die in train wreck near Park City
- 13 1875 Attempted break in at Fairplay bank
- 18 1905 Fire in Alma
- 20 1866 New buildings at Salt Works nearing completion
- 22 1877 John Tremayne land filing
- 22 1907 Sam Hartsel sells his ranch
- 23 1879 Gambler Red Hanley kills William Cochran at Weston
- 25 1882 Billy Redman blinded by dynamite at Champaign Mine
- 27 1827 Elizabeth Link, Como rancher, is born
- 29 1879 Drunken Keogh shoots bystander at Alma bar
- 29 1904 Hayman plat filed
- 31 1872 Dudley P. O. established
- 31 1910 RR closes Boreas line and reopens in 1913

### **NOVEMBER**

- 1 1861 Park County established
- 1 1901 Doran P. O. established
- 2 1867 Daniel McLaughlin land filing
- 4 1817 James Link, Como rancher, is born
- 5 1880 John Herman killed in Handcart Gulch avalanche
- 6 1875 25,000 lbs. weekly freight from Colorado Springs to Fairplay & Alma is reported
- 6 1889 John Horn land filing
- 7 1874 Dedication of Fairplay Presbyterian Church is reported
- 8 1892 Milo Case, Como rancher, dies
- 9 1896 Pacific Hotel in Como burns
- 11 1879 E. L. Thayer, contractor for Chinese labor, badly beaten by Como Italians
- 11 1905 Cassells Hotel burns
- 13 1867 Thomas Dunbar land filing
- 13 1875 Attempted break in at Fairplay bank
- 14 1861 Laurette (Buckskin Joe) P. O. established
- 15 1863 Henry Farnum land filing
- 15 1943 Ned Corbin, Bailey rancher, dies

- 16 1894 William Derby homestead land filing
- 16 1951 Raymond Knisely, Bailey pioneer dies
- 19 1880 Harry Epperson, South Park rancher, is born
- 20 1878. Bailey Post Office established
- 21 1874 Courthouse is reported completed
- 21 1918. Sam Hartsel, South Park rancher, dies in Denver
- 22 1883 Old Mose (grizzly) kills Jake Radliff
- 22 1889 Cortrite P.O. established
- 24 1880 Miner John Dunn dies in Mt. Bross avalanche
- 25 1880 Courthouse saved from serious fire
- 25 1880 Grant roundhouse burns
- 26 1879 Park City P. O. established
- 26 1915 Henry Rockett kills Tom Mullican in Lake George
- 28 1874 Telegraph line from Denver to Fairplay near completion
- 28 1882 Boiler blast kills Julius Gomer at Hall Valley sawmill

### **DECEMBER**

- 2 1873. Alma becomes incorporated
- 4 1922 Lake George Hotel (former George Frost home) burns
- 6 1862 James Castello land filing
- 7 1874 Telegraph line from Denver to Alma is completed
- 8 1972 Hartsel Hotel burns
- 9 1892 S. Platte Forest Reserve created (now Pike NF)
- 11 1971 Walter Schattinger, Jefferson rancher, dies
- 12 1872 Slaght reports season's crop of 40,000 lbs. potatoes
- 13 1888 Phone line from Denver gets close to Jefferson
- 15 1953 Lucinda Alden Rogers, 100, South Park rancher dies
- 16 1912 Silas Wright homestead land filing
- 17 1899 Snow closes RR between Fairplay & Alma for 3 mos.
- 18 1867 William Beery land filing
- 22 1887 Howbert P. O. established
- 23 1862 Sterling P. O. established
- 23 1874 Rocky P. O. established
- 23 1883 1 killed, 2 injured in Montgomery Gulch avalanche
- 24 1936 Criminal killed in Bailey
- 26 1874 Telegraph line is reported completed from Denver to Hall Valley smelter
- 29 1896 Leavick P. O. established
- 29 1916 Stockraising Homestead Act enacted
- 31 1860 Fairplay gets oldest county water right
- 31 1920 Ann Bailey, Bailey pioneer, dies
- 31 1993 Eric Eos, Bailey area sawmill owner, dies