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MINI-BIOGRAPHY
GEORGE AND ANITA BROWNLOW

George and Anita Brownlow moved from Binghamton, NY to apartment #233 in Frasier Meadows Manor in May of 1999. George is a Binghamton native. Anita, born in Scranton, PA, came to Binghamton before she was two years old. The Brownlows were born within a day of each other in the same year — Anita on May 7 and George on May 8. Both attended Binghamton Public Schools. They met at a YMCA/YWCA social affair and were married in 1940. Daughter Diane Harding lives in a suburb of Houston, TX. Diane has two daughters. Son, West (George W. Brownlow III), lives in Nederland, CO and daughter, Gail Brownlow lives in a suburb of Austin, Tx.

George has had a number of business ventures. He began his business career by working in his father’s wholesale hardware business. He has also owned a building materials business, a real estate holding company, and was part owner of a company manufacturing transformers and electrical specialties. In the early 1940’s he opened a Kaiser-Frasier automobile agency in Greene, NY. From 1977 until his retirement in 1998, he owned the George W. Brownlow Real Estate Company. For thirty years he was part owner, manager, and president of the condo association of the Palm Club, a 108 unit condominium complex in the Bahamas retiring in 1997.

For two years prior to her marriage, Anita was employed by the Binghamton Press newspaper. Her grandmother was a professional dressmaker and taught Anita the trade. Anita made her own wedding dress and most of her clothes during her high school and college days.

The couple’s foremost hobby has been sailing. At the age of fifteen, George took sailing lessons at a Boy Scout camp and soon built his own sailing kayak. He introduced Anita to the sport and she soon became an avid sailor also. The two spent their 1940 honeymoon camping and canoeing for a week at an unoccupied camp site on an island in the St. Lawrence river five miles from either the Canadian or U. S. shore. They both have many stories to tell of their sailing adventures including one of George’s narrow escape from drowning. For some 50 years the family had a log cabin seasonal residence on Piseco Lake in the Adirondacks. They have enjoyed sailing vacations in Florida, the Virgin Islands, and the Bahamas.
A hobby of George’s in high school was taxidermy. Skiing has also been an interest. Son, West, broke his neck in a skiing accident in New Hampshire in 1973.

Anita’s pride and joy for many years was her herb garden by the lake. She has artistic talent, and may often be found in the Frasier Arts and Crafts room. She has been president of the Binghamton Garden Club, and enjoys working in the gardens at Frasier Meadows Manor. In the 1950’s she went to Surrey, England, to visit Kew Gardens. George and Anita have gone to Zermatt, Switzerland to ski at the base of the Matterhorn. They also visited daughter Gale in the Netherlands when she operated a book store in Amsterdam.

George’s interests have had to do with the use of tools. He says, “I am always curious to see how things work.” He is presently active with a senior tennis group in Boulder.

Janet Ross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
JEAN CLINE BURGOON

Jean Cline Burgoon was born in Adams, NE on May 24, 1921. She attended grade schools at Lincoln and Wayne, NE, and graduated from high school in Wayne. She attended Wayne State College for one year and then transferred to Colorado State University at Fort Collins, CO where she received a B. S. degree in Vocational Education in December 1943. In 1967 she completed an M. S. in Guidance and Counseling at the University of Colorado.

Jean’s varied career included teaching home economics at Boulder High School from 1955-60; teaching and supervising the Adult Education program in the Boulder Valley School district, and serving as Guidance Counselor at Centennial Junior High School.

Jean met Ken Cline at CSU and they married in December 1943 when he had a short leave from his training as a pilot of B-24’s. In the eleven months before he went to England, they lived in six different communities from South Carolina to California. After WW 2, Ken developed and operated Cline Trout Farms in Boulder and operated them until 1980 when he was forced by health problems to retire. Jean also retired at that time and they bought a home in Sun City, AZ where they spent the winter months swimming, lawn bowling, and square dancing. Ken was active in the military organizations in the area. He died suddenly in May 1985. Jean continued living in Sun City and married David Burgoon, a fellow Presbyterian. They shared many church activities before he died in 1994.

Jean’s sons, Kenneth Cline Jr., Thomas Cline, and Steven Cline attended Boulder schools and graduated from Boulder High School. When Ken Sr. retired, Ken Jr. and Steve took over the trout farms and continued to expand them. Son, Tom, earned a degree in veterinary medicine at Colorado State University after he returned from service in the Air Force. He had a thriving business at Carson, ND and now works as a State Veterinarian out of Pierre, SD.

Of her own interests and activities Jean writes, “In 1990, when Dave was ill with Alzheimer’s, I began piecing and quilting. Since David handled his illness by withdrawing – namely sleeping – I needed to be at home with him but needed my own activities and interests so I quilted. A year ago, Sun City Church had a crafts fair where I showed six of the quilted garments I had made. Then I was featured artist one month where I had fourteen quilted pieces shown. I have shared this love by teaching various phases of quilted clothing to member of Creative Quilt-
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
ALIDA BUTH

Alida Bonelli was born in Frederick, CO on January 13, 1914. She proudly says that she is an F. B. I. (Full blooded Italian). Her grandparents immigrated to the United States from Italy. Alida’s father was employed in the coal mining industry in Colorado and was known as a Godfather to other Italian immigrants here. She had two sisters and two brothers.

When Alida was six years old, the family moved to Boulder and lived on Water and 24th street. She graduated from Boulder High School and then went on to major in Physical Education at C. U. However, just before graduation she developed a heart murmur that dictated a less active occupation. She then attended Miss Brown’s Business School and after graduation worked for the Navy Department in San Diego, CA. Later she became Office Manager in the City Attorney’s office in Denver.

In 1932 she married Richard Roe. He was a mining engineer. They lived in Peru and Chili for twelve years. After Richard’s death, Alida was married three more times, the last time to William Buth.

Alida loved to knit, crochet, and tat, and enjoyed golf. Her religious affiliation is with the Catholic church.

In 1996 she moved to Frasier Meadows Manor and is happily ensconced in Apartment 236.

Jane Borchert
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
LOIS HODGSON CROSS

Lois Cross moved from Boulder to Frasier Meadows Manor, apartment #331, on July 12, 2000. She has written the following:

“From the time of my first six year old hand printed “Newspaper” which was carried from tenant houses holding hired men’s families to neighbors, up to the present 78 year old printed (by computer) manuscripts, I have loved to write, whether fact or fiction. That is the thread which has held my convoluted life experiences into a continuum which remains compelling and rewarding.

“I was born on a central Kansas country property of many acres with a large, imposing southern style house, holding our family of ten plus two or three single hired men, a hired girl, and often bereft members of the extended family who needed food and shelter at the moment.

“My husband, Richard Cross, and I met while we were students at Kansas State College in Manhattan and although immediately agreeing to marry, it was three years and a thousand letters later, just as World War II was ending in 1945, when we were wed in Trenton, New Jersey. We moved to Wilson, Kansas where my husband was a rancher and farmer, and we also owned the natural gas company. More remarkably he was an inventor who built machines not yet envisioned by others, which, with other attractive qualities, made him the object of much admiration. Our house was a beautiful large oak-trimmed house that had never been completely finished because the original owner/builder ran out of resources. We proceeded to make this big house even bigger, adding a recreation room, office, and remodeled extended kitchen.

“Three wonderful children, two daughters and a son, were born to us and we were heavily involved in school, community, and church activities. For ten years I wrote a humorous column for the Hutchinson and Salina daily newspapers and in response to it, also gave talks all over the western half of the state. I also had a nursery school with 36 children that met in our classroom-sized living room five days a week. Someone told me if I could bottle my energy and sell it, I would be a millionaire before I was 30. Unfortunately I never found the time to do it.

“When he was 33 years old, my husband was killed in an auto collision that took six lives. I, and others in the two cars, had numerous serious injuries. Three weeks after his death, and following my extensive surgery I learned I was pregnant. Miraculously, a 9 pound 11 ounce treasured son was born eight
months later.

“With my four children, I moved to Boulder in 1959 to go to graduate school and received my Masters in Personnel Administration. For two and a half years I worked as an Assistant Dean of Men and Women at the University of Colorado, then was employed as the Public Relations Director and Coordinator of Volunteers at Boulder Community Hospital. I was chosen a representative to the National Public Relations Directors in Medical Agencies, and was vice president of the State Volunteers Directors Association.

“In 1960 Dr. Joel Husted, Specialist in Internal Medicine at the Boulder Medical Center, and I were married, uniting our families to make eight children — four older girls and four younger boys, all between three and thirteen years of age. We were divorced in 1966.

“I later worked for 12 years in two state agencies, the Colorado State School for the Mentally Retarded and the Colorado State Library for the Blind, as Director of Public Relations and Coordinator of Volunteers. In 1972 I married my daughter’s father-in-law, George Karakehian, from Boston. We bought a beautiful resort on Flathead Lake in northwestern Montana about 40 miles from Glacier Park. We were divorced in 1983, having moved back to the Denver area.

“After retiring in 1988, I volunteered at the Boulder Public Library as a receptionist for about a year. Then I was employed part time in the Boulder County Commissioners’ office as receptionist and file clerk for nine years.

“I am an Elder and served two terms on the Session of First Presbyterian Church in Boulder and have been an active member for 41 years. At the present time I am Moderator of Presbyterian Women. For seven years I was on the Boulder County Mental Health Board and on the State Mental Health Board for two years. I have belonged to the Boulder Writers Club for 12 years, am a 38 year member and past president of Chapter CB, P.E.O., and served for ten years as secretary for my Chateau Village Condo Board.

“Fortunately, my four children and their families presently live in the Boulder area for which I am very thankful. At Frasier Meadows Manor I anticipate getting to know many delightful people, participating in numerous activities, and enjoying many productive years.”

Lois Hodgson Cross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY

GEORGE AND PEGGY EARNEST

A well known and loved couple, especially at the University of Colorado, are George and Peggy Earnest. They are now residents of Frasier Meadows Manor North having moved from their home at 860 University Avenue in Boulder in April 2000. George is an alumnus having earned his degree in Business in 1933. Peggy spent 35 years at the University of Colorado of which 25 years were as Director of the Alumni Center. She was honored when she retired with a porch built to increase the size of the Alumni Center which is now called “The Peggy Porch.” The years spent in the Alumni Center working with students and traveling with the Roaming Buffaloes, a travel group, and supporting the athletic teams were most satisfying years.

Born in 1917 in Hays, Kansas, Peggy was an only child of elderly parents. When ready for first grade, she was sent to Marymont Academy and College in Salina, Kansas where she stayed until graduation in 1939. It became like a home to her. She appreciates the sacrifice her parents made to send her there. She became a teacher for two years, served with the Red Cross in 1943-45, and then came to the University of Colorado. She is active in the St. Thomas Aquinas University Parish, a member of the Board of the Director’s club, the Buffalo Belles, and the Flatiron Ladies Golf Association where she served as president for two years. Peggy met George Earnest on a football trip to the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl in Houston, TX.

George S. Earnest was born in 1912 in Denver, CO. His mother was born in Georgetown, CO and his father came to Leadville, CO as a young man. The family have many ties to Colorado. It was recorded that George’s father won several races skating in the famous Ice Palace built in Leadville.

After graduation George became a Marketing Analyst for the A. C. Nielson Company in Chicago and remained with the company for 35 years and became a Chicago Cub fan. After coming to Colorado he followed the CU Buffaloes and became a Colorado Rockies fan. During the trip to Houston he met Peggy and asked her for a date. She refused but later regretting it she took the initiative and called him. As she says, “the rest is history.”

George and Peggy spent 22 happy years sharing their mutual interests — travel, sports, golf, bridge, and reading. They enjoy George’s two sons, Lane and Craig; their grandchildren, Hillary and Keith; and their four great grandchildren, Allison, Matt, Erin, and Connor.
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
WAYNE AND KATHY FRANK

An attractive couple, Wayne and Cathy, live in Apartment #87 in Frasier Meadows Manor North. In June 1996, they moved from their Boulder home in north Boulder having lived in Boulder most of their married life. They continue to live the active lives they enjoyed, both being interested in sports, travel, volunteering and their children and grandchildren.

At present, Cathy is Resident trustee on the Frasier Board of Trustees, Chairperson of the Resident Relations and Quality Assurance Committee (QA), and member of the Admission Committee and of the Public Areas Committee here at Frasier Meadows Manor. Cathy is also a long time member and was an officer in the University of Colorado Buffalo Belles, a CU athletics support organization. She is presently Membership Chairperson. She is a past treasurer of the Boulder Community Hospital Auxiliary and presently volunteers at the BCH Gift Shop one a week.

Cathy's early life was spent in South Dakota. She was born in Ree Heights, a farming and ranch community, in June of 1921 and lived there until graduating from high school in 1939. She and her two brothers, both deceased, were raised on a farm. She remembers well the dust bowl days of the 30’s! She attended Yankton College in Yankton, SD, a school from which her mother had received a BA Degree in 1919. After two years of college, Cathy received a teaching certificate and taught school for a year. In 1942 she took business courses at a Jr. College in Baytown, TX where she had gone to visit relatives and later worked for the Humble Oil Co. in the Treasury Department in Houston, Tx for two years. After not being overly enthused about any of her previous endeavors, she decided to go to the University of Colorado and work toward a degree in Home Economics receiving a BS Degree in 1948.

Most of Cathy’s adult working life was devoted to various aspects of housing for the aging population. Because of her affiliation with First Christian Church in Boulder, she assisted in developing Golden West Manor, a Boulder senior housing facility. She became its full-time administrator, a position she held for 27 years. During this time, she became active in national, regional, and state committees, serving as president of the Colorado Homes and Services for the Aging for two years, spending 12 (non-consecutive) years on the House of Delegates of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA), also serving on various national committees during that time. For her contribution, she received many awards, among them the Distinguished Service Award from the Denver Regional Council of Governments in 1980, Colorado Distinguished Pio-
neer in Gerontology from the Colorado Gerontological Society in 1986 and in 1990 one of three in the United States awarded a Regional Meritorious Service Award by AAHSA “for Outstanding Service in the Cause of the Elderly. Cathy retired in 1990.

Cathy met Wayne Frank at the University of Colorado where he was attending the Navy Cooks’ and Bakers’ School during World War II and she happened to be working her way through school in the Food Service Department. He had joined the Navy in 1944 and spent most of his service time aboard the cruiser USS New Orleans. Among the battles in the Pacific arena this ship was involved in was the battle of Okinawa.

Wayne was born in Jewell, KS in December 1923 where he lived until he was five years old, then his family moved to Wray, CO, later to Hayden, CO, and ultimately to Denver. He had a brother and three sisters now deceased. His father was a carpenter — Wayne a frequent helper. He attended high school in Denver where he was captain of the football team, a team that went to the state finals in their division. After graduation he worked as an electricians helper in the Mt. Harris, CO coal mine. After entering the navy and after boot camp, he was sent to Cooks’ and Baker’s School at CU in Boulder. After the war a job awaited him in the Meat Department at CU where he was employed until March of 1961. At this time he decided to open a retail business which was known as Village Meat Mart. He had opportunity to sell this business after approximately 7 years. He then worked as a sheet metal machinist for Beech Aircraft Co. in Boulder. He had a security clearance to work on their missile program. In 1971, he was asked to return to the Meat Department at CU to serve as foreman of the department. He retired in December of 1983 after a total of 26 years at CU.

In Wayne’s retirement years, he spent 11 years as a part-time courier for Countryside Management Corp. He has enjoyed hunting and fishing and presently spends a good deal of time in his woodworking shop. When the move was made, all of his shop equipment was moved to a friend’s garage and they have developed a comfortable working shop and relationship. Wayne also takes care of the recycle for the Garden Level trash room once a week — sometimes more!

Wayne and Cathy were married in 1946 soon after Wayne came home from the Pacific. They have three children: Mary in Pagosa Springs, CO where she and her husband have a printing business; Diane in Casper, WY where she is a Speech-Language Pathologist at the Wyoming Medical Center in Casper; and Bruce in Golden, CO where he is Computer Systems Administrator at Coors Tech. Seven grandchildren give them much pleasure. Wayne has a cap he often wears which says, “If we had known Grandchildren were so much fun, we would have had them first!”
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
ELMER AND MAYME FRASIER

These names seem familiar to the residents of the Manor since Frasier Meadows Manor was named after the FRASIERS for the donation of the land on which the Manor was built.

In November 1998, Bill Wilson, a resident since August 1990, wrote a comprehensive article about the Frasiers and their involvement in the community. He also included background information about their coming to Boulder and their earlier family life in Nebraska. (Incidentally, Bill Wilson had worked for the Frasiers on this land, their cattle ranch.)

Long overdue, this mini-biography is appearing in Volume V, published in the fall of 2000, and is an edited version of Bill Wilson’s article for the Manor Mirror.

Eileen Metzger

“I recently spent an interesting hour with Melvin Frasier, hearing him reminisce about his family and the founding of Frasier Meadows Manor. His father, Elmer, was raised on a homestead in Dundy County, near Benkelman, Nebraska. Elmer and his wife, Mayme, moved to Wallace County, Kansas, where they operated a wheat farm. In 1946, the family moved to Boulder with their sons, Melvin, Harold, and Marshall, and their daughter, Helen, (who died later). In 1951, they bought a 240-acre ranch in the southeast part of the city, bordered on the north by Baseline Road. The southwestern border of the ranch was the Boulder-Denver turnpike, later Highway 36. The eastern border started somewhere just west of what is now the intersection of Osage and Apache and angled northeast toward what is now the intersection of Pawnee and Ricara Dr and then north on Pawnee to Sioux Dr. The southern border at that point went east to Thunderbird drive which is now the frontage road for Foothills Parkway. The eastern boundary then continued north to Baseline Road.

“Elmer and his sons bought and sold Hereford beef cattle; the herd, at times, consisting of 250 to 300 head. In addition, Elmer built the Thunderbird Bowling Alley. It was later torn down and the Exercise Center and Homewood Suites Hotel occupy the area. The family also erected the first Safeway Store at the Meadows Shopping Center. By 1959, they had sold the entire herd of cattle, and Elmer began to convert the ranch into lots for the construction of homes.

“Elmer installed the infrastructure of sewer and water lines and electricity. He then sold the lots to builders. Later, encouraged by his father in Nebraska, Elmer,
Mayme, and their three sons entered into an agreement to donate part of the land. They met with the Rocky Mountain Homes Organization, an arm of the Methodist Church Conference. The first phase included 20 acres for the building of a Retirement Home, which, after discussion, was named Frasier Meadows Manor. It also included ground for the Mountain View Church, across from the Manor, and 15 acres, including a lake, given to the city for a park. Originally called Thunderbird Park, it was recently renamed the Admiral Burke Park. The School District purchased 5 acres for the Burke School.

“Elmer and Mayme moved into the Manor in 1973. Elmer died in 1976, and Mayme moved into the Health Care Center, where she died on March 25th, 1981. Melvin and his wife, Marilyn, live near the Manor, on Inca Parkway, and spend some time in their winter home in Naples, Florida. They take an active interest in the Manor. We all benefit from the generosity of the Frasier family in enjoying the beautiful setting of Frasier Meadows Manor.”

Bill Wilson
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
DONNA HUNTER

If you visited Fable Cottage in Victoria, B. C. during the summers from 1967 to 1973, you might have been greeted by Donna Hunter. Set in a garden by the seaside, the cottage has hand-cut shingles and hand-crafted furniture. When Donna and her husband were looking for a pleasant place to live after their three children were grown, they found the cottage, bought it, and kept it open to the public in the summer months.

Donna has lived in a variety of places. When her father died shortly after her birth in Logansport, IN, and her mother became ill, she lived with grandparents just outside of Marion, IN. In 1942 she attended Northwestern University for a year, then worked in a defense plant during World War II before enrolling in Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School in Chicago. In 1947 she married her husband, Richard, who had been with the 69th Infantry that met the Russians at the Elbe river.

She and her husband lived in Chicago until 1950, then moved to Atlanta, where they raised their son and two daughters, and where her husband sold radio and TV space. He was one of the first in the country to do so. They then found the cottage in Victoria, where they spent five years. The property was sold to make way for a high rise condominium. Then they moved to Ft. Collins, CO where their son was living. Donna’s husband sold real estate in Ft. Collins and later in Steamboat Springs, CO. They spent ten years in Polson, MT, where they had a cherry orchard and a vineyard. Champagne was made from their grapes. Their son and one daughter still have a bottle of it.

Donna’s last move was to Boulder. She moved to apartment 191 in Frasier North in November 1999. Her son lives in Littleton, a daughter lives in Lakewood, and another daughter lives in Moose, WY. She has three grandchildren.

Janet Ross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
CATHERINE A. LACHER

Catherine A. Lacher was born September 11, 1923, in Oklahoma City, OK and lived there during her childhood, completing her schooling at Hills Business College in that city.

Trained in secretarial skills, she became a secretary for the Air Force in various locations as she accompanied her first husband on his assignments.

Cathy, as she is known to Manor friends, met Bob Lacher when she entered Frasier Meadows Manor in the summer of 1981. She had moved here from Green Mountain, CO. After they were married, they traveled all over the world.

Cathy says she has “too many children and grandchildren to number,” but she must enjoy them because her favorite activity is family reunions.

Cathy is a delightful, friendly person and we are all happy that she is a part of our community.

Grace Martini
Bernice Chowanaski was born in Chicago, IL on March 23, 1911. This was her home all of her life until she moved to a retirement home in McEllen, TX to be near her youngest son, Thomas. Texas proved to have too hot a climate for her, so in August of 1998 she came to Frasier Meadows Manor. Her son, Noel, an attorney, and his family live in Boulder. She had two other children, Robert, a retired chemist in Elmwood, IL, and a daughter, Sherry, who is an x-ray therapist in Oak Park, IL. Bernice has eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren including a pair of twin boys.

As Bernice says, her family is quite a League of Nations. Her parents immigrated from Poland. Sherry’s husband, a pathologist in the Cook County hospital in Chicago, came from India. Her daughter-in-law, Lydia, came from Paraguay, and her daughter-in-law, Christina, came from Poland.

Bernice met her husband, Charles Lindenmuth, at a Sunday afternoon dance at the famous Aragon Ball Room in Chicago. The Aragon, as well as its sister ball room, the Trianon, hosted the best and most famous bands of the day — Tommy Dorsey, Paul Whiteman, Benny Goodman, Guy Lombardo, Sammy Kaye, Xavier Cugat, etc, etc. Charles drove her home in his sporty car with a rumble seat. They were married on June 30, 1935.

Charles died when their youngest son, Thomas, was five years old and Bernice brought up her children and put them all through college. She was employed by Sears Roebuck in Chicago and after her husband’s death worked as a File Clerk at the Chicago Sewage Pump Company.

Reading has always been her favorite pastime. Unfortunately, failing eyesight has limited this activity. Her church affiliation is with Sacred Heart of Mary and she is most grateful for the televised service this church provides for Frasier Meadows Manor residents.

Jane Borchert
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
MARION LYONS

Marion Lyons went to buy a car at the Lyons Chevrolet and Toyota dealership in Boulder in 1958. In 1985 she married the owner, Russ Lyons. She lived in Gunbarrel, northeast Boulder, from 1974 until June 1, 1999, when, after the death of her husband, she moved to apartment 291 in Frasier North. Born in Chicago, she grew up in the Chicago suburb of Midlothian, then lived in Denver, where she attended Cathedral High School. She has lived in Boulder since 1950.

After seeing three children through college, Marion enrolled at the University of Colorado and completed a B.S. degree in Accounting and Marketing. She then became an accountant in the research division of the Ball Corporation, and later, was assistant to Clarence Decker, minority leader of the Colorado Senate. She has also been accountant for the Tull Construction Company. Her daughter, Mary, and husband, Gerald Malm, live in nearby Louisville, CO and have four children. Son, Marty McElwain, and his wife, Debbie, also live in Louisville with their two children. Daughter, Donna Thallman, lives in Chandler, AZ.

Marion is a member of the Sacred Heart of Mary Church, the Boulder Country Club, and the League of Women Voters. In 1972 she ran for the state legislature against John Buechner. Among her many activities, she has served as president of a number of organizations — the Boulder Toastmistresses, National Association of Parliamentarians, the Women’s Golf Association of the Boulder Country Club, the Democratic Women’s Club, and the C. U. Alumni Board. She was the third woman to serve on the Board of the Boulder Country Club, and was chairman of the House Committee. She organized the women’s bridge club there for two years. She has also been a Girl Scout leader at Burke School, and a “room mother.” Her brother, Herb Holm, is a retired bank president of Winter Park, Florida. His wife, Vernetta Weiss Holm, from Longmont, is a nurse. Marion and Russ had a winter home in Tucson, where they were members of the Tucson Golf and Country Club until 1996.

Marion enjoys bridge, handwork, exercise, a memories class, and travel. In her display case is the collection of Beleek china that she purchased in Ireland. We hope she drives a “Chevie.”

Janet Ross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
DAVID AND RUTH McGuire

David McGuire grew up in Cedar Rapids, IA. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology at the University of Oregon and his doctorate in Microbiology from the University of California at Berkeley. After serving as a professor at Utah State University, he was recalled to the Navy in 1952 and did research on cold weather survival. In 1954 he went to Cairo, Egypt as Director of the Navy Medical Research Unit.

David retired in 1983 after twenty five years as Director of Laboratories for the Colorado department of Health. He is a former Director of the Colorado Health Association and the Association of State Public Health Laboratory. In addition, he has been with the Professor of Medicine volunteers at the University of Colorado Medical Center.

David met his wife, Ruth, at a bridge game at the Congregational church in Eugene, OR and they were married on November 18, 1944. The McGuires have three daughters and four grandchildren, all living in the Denver area.

Ruth Van Buskirk was born in Willamina, OR on April 24, 1924. She graduated from the University of Oregon in 1945 as an English major and then continued her study of music for five years. After her daughters were old enough, Ruth went to CU and got her teaching credentials. She then taught English for seventeen years at the Morey School in Denver. This was one of the first integrated schools and Ruth still hears from former students.

Ruth’s interests have included her church (now Methodist), PTA, Headstart, gardening, PEO, camping, and she has written two books for young adults.

The McGuires moved to Frasier Meadows Manor in January 1996 from their home in Coal Creek Canyon, CO. David moved to the Health Center in 1999. Ruth and her dog, Mitzi, continue to live in their plant filled apartment in Frasier North.

Jane Borchert
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
FRANCES BOUTS NAKOSTEEN

Francis Bouts was born on August 14, 1915 on a wheat farm in Saskatchewan, Canada. When she was five years old her family moved to Las Cruces, NM. She was married in her late teens and had three sons: Robert, now a professor at Amherst; Alan Richard, an engineer in Santa Barbara, California; and J. Carl, a retired professor living in Tennessee. Frances has two grandsons. This youthful marriage ended within a few years and Frances brought up her boys as a single parent. A really important event in Frances’ life was the time she spent with her son, Allan, after he was labeled retarded because he hadn’t learned to read by the age of ten. She taught him at home for two years and watched him overcome dyslexianism. Today he is a master engineer in charge of a team of forty engineers.

Frances was employed at the University of Colorado’s Publication Department. Here she met Mehdi Nakosteen, a CU professor of History and Philosophy of Education. They were married in 1938. He was also an author and Frances edited much of his work. Mehdi died in 1982.

Francis has always loved music. She plays piano and is currently taking flute lessons. She started a Colorado music group that is still active and has performed at Frasier Meadows Manor.

In 1999 she moved to Frasier Meadows Manor, apartment #322 from her home in Englewood, Colorado.

Jane Borchert
Gordon and Eleanor Payne were both born in Michigan — he in Detroit and she in Flint. Gordon earned a B.A. in Business and Pre-Law at Wayne State University. Eleanor Mills Payne graduated from Michigan State with a B.S. in Home Economics and Education. They met in Detroit on a blind date through an Alpha Gamma Delta sorority sister of Eleanor’s, and were married in June 1942 at Martha Mary Chapel, Greenfield Village in Dearborn, MI.

Gordon volunteered for one year of service in the army in 1941, then went to officer training school and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in 1942 at Camp Lee, Virginia. He was in charge of basic training in the Quartermaster Corps. In 1945 he went to France, and retired as a major in 1947. He began his business career as field manager for Bendix Home Appliances, then became manager of Ben Rubin Company, a Philco Distributor in Toledo, OH. In 1950 he bought an existing marine business in Toledo, OH. He organized and was president of Toledo Marine Dealers, and was on the board of Sea Ray Industries. Gordon and Eleanor bought Tall Timbers Marina in Montecello, IN, and the family moved to West Lafayette, IN in 1960.

Eleanor has taught and has been a homemaker and also a partner in her husband’s business. The couple have four daughters. Three live in the area and one lives in Los Angeles. During the summer months the entire family lived and worked at the marina. The family retired in 1967 and moved to Boulder where Gordon entered into many investment projects. In their retirement years Gordon and Eleanor have enjoyed traveling, bridge, and golf. Eleanor also keeps busy with sewing, knitting, and interior decorating. She has a large thimble collection with items that come from many countries. The couple moved to Frasier North in April 1999.

Janet Ross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
ROLLIE PHILLIPS


Rollie’s grandfather, a civil war veteran, had marched with the army to Iowa and he left the army and first settled in Iowa. Later he homesteaded near Enid, OK. His family traveled from Iowa in a box car with animals on one end, his farm machinery in the other end, and a space in the middle where they lived as they traveled.

Rollie was born on the farm near Enid on November 6, 1912 and spent his childhood years there until his family moved into Enid in 1926. He attended a one-room country school for his elementary education and graduated from high school in Enid. He studied electronics at Oklahoma University.

Rollie met Cyrena at the Methodist Church in Enid and they were married in 1935. They had 2 daughters, Marilyn and Barbara. Marilyn lives in Boulder and Barbara lives in Longmont. One grandchild lives in Boulder and 1 lives in Longmont.

Rollie worked his first 6 years after leaving the University in the bakery labs of the Pillsbury Company in Enid. He spent one year in the army and then worked in Electronics at the Champlin Refinery Co. until moving to Colorado in 1952. He joined the Instrument Department at the Rocky Flats Plant in 1952 and worked mostly on process instrumentation in all the production buildings at the plant. After moving to Colorado, Rollie and Cyrena lived the first 11 years in Arvada, CO and then moved to Hanover Ave. in Boulder where they lived until coming to Frasier Meadows Manor.

Rollie retired from Rocky Flats in 1977. He is a member of the Boulder Valley Christian Church. Ninety percent of Rollie’s activities are spent doing volunteer work for the church.

We are pleased to have this very friendly person as part of our community.

Ed Putzier
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
EUGENIA (JEAN) PIERDOLLA

When Jean Pierdolla moved to Frasier Meadows Manor in January 1979, she brought with her a bulletin called, “The retired army nurses corps association’s magazine.” In it was “A 17th Century Nun’s Prayer” marked SPECIAL by Jean. It relates to the year 2000 as well as 1700.

“Lord, thou knowest me better than I know myself and that I am growing older and will some day be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody’s affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

“Keep my mind from the recital of endless details, give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of other’s pains, but help me endure them patiently.

“I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory clashes with the memory of others. Teach me the lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken. I do not want to be a saint — some of them are so hard to live with, but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the Devil. May I see the good things in unexpected places, and the talents in unexpected people.”

In recalling Jean’s years at the Manor, she was one of the residents that spoke about fairness to residents and staff. In the 80’s, when there was turmoil evident among residents and administration, she helped ease the extreme confusion and agitation.

Jean was born on December 23, 1907 in Seguin, TX. She graduated from Baylor University School of Nursing in 1930 and entered the Army Nurses Corps. She retired in 1943 with a physical disability. She then moved to Denver where she worked at the Denver Nurses Official Registry and in 1979 moved to Frasier Meadows Manor.

There were many times during her stay at the Manor that unrest caused too much disagreement and Jean moved to Fitzimmons Hospital. She stayed for only a short three weeks and returned to the Manor, saying turmoil here was better than at Army hospitals.

Jean died February 2, 1999. Interment was in San Fernando Cemetery in San Antonio, TX. While in Boulder she had been an active member at St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church. Contributions were made to Frasier Meadows Manor
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
AVIS PRENTICE

Avis was born on October 21 in Butler, PA, the daughter of Vida and Hugh McFeeters. Her mother was of Holland-Dutch ancestry and her father was Scotch. As a small child she loved to visit her maternal grandfather’s farm. Later, her family moved to Chicago where she graduated from high school in 1927. She earned her bachelor’s degree at Northwestern University in 1932.

Avis met Thomas (“T. J.”) Prentice at the church which both attended. They were married in 1932 and moved to California where Avis taught school for ten years and T. J. worked as a consulting engineer. They had two sons, Barry who now lives in Boulder and Rodney who resides in Broomfield. It is interesting to note that Barry’s little granddaughter is the first girl born in five generations.

Avis moved to Frasier Manor in September 1986 from her previous home in Oakland, CA. She enjoys watching baseball on TV and is interested in music. When health permitted, she liked to play bridge and travel. She is a member of the Mountain View United Methodist Church.

Grace Martini
MINI-BIOGRAPHY

ELVIE PROFFIT

Elvie Proffit, who was born on May 21, 1900 near Gunnison, CO, has lived at Frazier Meadows Manor for 30 years. Needless to say, she has become well known to FMM residents, but, even more importantly, has been one of our most appreciated and best loved residents for just about all of that time.

During Elvie’s early life, her father homesteaded for mining claims, living in numerous mountain communities. Then the family moved to Boulder where Elvie graduated from Boulder High School.

About this time Elvie’s father died and she took care of her invalid mother and sister. Her devotion to those needing help grew through the years, and as we all know, remained one of her outstanding qualities here at the Manor.

It was 1917 when the Proffitt family moved to Boulder. After graduating from CU, she went to teach in the Yuma County High School District. It was in the eastern Colorado prairie, where school teachers often rode horse-back to school. During one heavy snow storm, Elvie and another teacher chose to ride a work-horse into town. The stirrups were not quite right and the horse bolted, throwing both teachers. Elvie landed on her head, suffering the loss of her sense of taste, which she has never regained. (That’s what school was like in those days).

There were other country schools still prominent in Elvie’s memory. She and her family lived at Hain’s Peak, high above Steamboat Springs, while her father mined in that area. For their household needs they drew water from mountain streams, cut timber for heat, fuel, and building, and fetched ice from the river in winter to store for summer use. The naturalness of all this must have been a delight to Elvie since she talked about it lovingly. Then to discover a cave where ice remained frozen all summer — modern refrigeration.

After teaching in rural schools, Elvie moved to Littleton where she taught for thirty years, interrupted only by five years teaching on the high school level at the Army air Force Base.

Here at the Manor, Elvie has been an avid volunteer. She worked in the linen room for twenty three years — yes, that’s twenty three years — and was head of it for a good part of the time. For years she has said grace at Health Care, but has begun to feel that it may be time to retire. She has helped with the library and has pitched in wherever she was needed.

It was a great pleasure, she says, to build her life in this fashion and to live it in such a way as to have reached her 100th birthday here among her old friends. Let us all salute this lovely lady who continues to mean so much to us.
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
ROBERT (BOB) AND RENA RHODE

Painters were still at work on the interior walls of newly constructed Frasier North when Bob and Rena Rhode moved into their apartment during the Christmas holiday season in 1995. They were new to the Frasier Community, but long term residents of Boulder and natives of the American West. Bob was born October 24, 1916, on a cattle ranch adjoining the small town of Ranchester in north central Wyoming and Rena was born April 13, 1920, in Rock Springs, a southwestern Wyoming mining and railroad town.

Bob attended school in Ranchester through the 12th grade, and the University of Wyoming in Laramie, graduating in 1938. He began working as a reporter on the Boomerang, Laramie’s afternoon newspaper, an hour after he received his diploma. He was later employed on newspapers in Sheridan, and Cheyenne, WY, before enlisting in the army in 1942. He served during World War II in the antiaircraft artillery, including 18 months in Alaska and the Aleutian Islands, and in military intelligence at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. At the time of discharge in 1946 he held the rank of captain.

Bob returned to newspaper work in Rock Springs before accepting a position as assistant professor of journalism at the University of Denver, where he also earned a masters degree before moving to Los Angeles to teach at the University of Southern California. He joined the faculty at CU in 1955 and was associate dean of the School of Journalism when he retired in 1982, and received the Stearns Award for extraordinary service.

During Bob’s tenure at CU he coauthored two books on photography, and after retirement he wrote a history of Rock Springs, WY titled “Booms and Busts on Bitter Creek,” a copy of which is available in the Frasier Meadows Manor library.

Bob spent 1961 in Australia on a Fulbright grant, doing research in the history of Australian journalism, observing the operations of the Australian Broadcasting Commission’s television news department, and lecturing at the University of New South Wales in Sydney.

As a member of the Boulder Rotary Club, he was named Rotarian of the Year in 1979 and in 1987. As a member of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, he helped organize its photojournalism division, for
which he also served as secretary, vice chairman, and chairman.

Rena was christened Cattarina Colomba Francisca Fedrizzi, the seventh child of immigrant parents from Tyrol, Austria. Her childhood and schooling were in Rock Springs, a small community boasting of 54 nationalities. Rena and Bob were married in 1946 and have a married daughter, Loretta, who lives in Boulder, and a married son in Tucson, AZ.

Rena was primarily a homemaker, but also worked as an office employee for forty years. She did many years of volunteer work with school programs, the American Red Cross, and senior centers.

Bob Rhode
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
FLORENCE ROESLER

Florence Whittington Roesler moved from the Bramford Apartments to Frasier Meadows Manor, apartment #360, in April 2000. She was born in Kansas City, MO, but when she was quite young she moved to Garnet, KS, a small town near Kansas City, KS where her mother’s parents lived. Later, with her mother, father, three brothers, and a sister, she went by train to Amarillo, TX where her father was in the farm mortgage business. As her mother looked out the window and could see nothing but prairie, she thought it was “the jumping off place.” Florence grew up in that flat, dry climate, but says, “I guess it was healthy.” While she was growing up in Amarillo she took ballet lessons. One of her classmates was Cyd Charisse who became a renowned professional ballet dancer.

Florence attended a small college in Kansas City, MO where she worked evenings in the college office. She met a good looking young man who also worked there and they would have an ice cream soda after work and he would walk her home. Of course they went dancing on week ends. Then her father was ill, so she returned home to Amarillo and got a job in the office of the First Presbyterian Church.

While working at the church, she heard of the Church of the Saviour, an ecumenical church in Washington, D. C. When the choir director of the Presbyterian Church went to Princeton, NJ, Florence was asked if she would like a ride to Washington, D. C. In Washington she asked a young man, William Fred (Bill) Roesler where she could find a cafeteria. He took her to one and then to the YWCA where she was staying. They started dating and were married. The couple had two daughters, Florence Marie and Cynthia Jane. When the daughters were teenagers, the couple separated. Florence Marie is a physical oceanographer in Boulder. She recently returned from a research trip to Iceland where she had dinner with the woman president of Iceland. Cynthia Jane makes documentary films. One of her films was shown at the Cannes Film Festival.

Florence worked as a secretary at the National Academy of Science and retired at age 65. She moved to Boulder to be near her daughter, Florence Marie, and Florence’s husband Tom Fetter.

Janet Ross
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
CHARLES A. SCUDDER

Charles Scudder was born in Jefferson County, Indiana on Aug 8. About 2 years after his birth the family moved to Owen County, Indiana. Charles received his elementary education - grade 1 through 8 - at one room school #2 in Owen County. He graduated from Paragon High School in Morgan County, IN and then entered Central Normal College in Danville, IN. He received a teaching degree in elementary and junior high education. Charles then returned to school #2 in Owen County where he taught for 4 years. He then went back to college and completed a master’s degree. He then taught elementary and junior high school in Hendricks County, IN.

In 1942 Charles enlisted in the Navy. He served in the European theater and was involved in the Normandy invasion. Later he served on a repair ship in the Pacific. Charles advanced to the rank of Commander during the 4 years he served in the Navy. When he was discharged in 1946, he went back to teaching in Indiana and shortly went into administration serving as Assistant Principal and Principal in school #59 in Indianapolis, IN. After retiring from teaching he lived in Indianapolis until he moved to Frasier Meadows Manor on August 7, 2000. He resides in apartment 470.

Charles was married after the war to Mabel who worked for his brother in a hardware store. Mabel passed away in 1992. Charles has 2 daughters and a son. Gary lives in Nashville, Tennessee where he teaches at the college level; Shirlene Burroughs lives in Texas; and Sharon Nehls lives in Boulder. Charles has 6 grandchildren of which 2 live in Boulder.

Charles’ religious affiliation is Baptist. Charles was a 32nd degree Mason. He has been a member of several education related organizations. His interests include sports, cooking, gardening, and bird watching. A euchre enthusiast, Charles played euchre with a group of other retired Masons for 15 years in their lodge in Indianapolis.

We welcome this very personable member to our community.

Ed Putzier
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ALAN AND KATHRYN SHAPLEY

Alan and Kathryn Shapley, a well known and respected Boulder couple, moved from their home on Pinon Drive to Frasier Meadows Manor North in April of 1996. They occupy apartment #186.

Alan had come to Boulder in 1954 with the National Bureau of Standards from Washington D. C. He was a member of a committee to choose the out of Washington site for the Bureau in Boulder.

Alan was born in Pasadena, CA on March 23, 1919 but spent his childhood years in Cambridge, MA where his father was Director of Harvard College Observatory. Alan attended Belmont Hill school and Harvard College where he received his AB in 1940. His graduate work was done at Washington D. C., Harvard, and the University of Wales at Aberystwyth.

Alan’s remarkable career was devoted to physics, radio, geo and solar at the National Bureau of Standards from 1947-65, then with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration until 1985 which included research, administration and coordination of national and international programs (notably the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58), and various follow-up programs, especially ionospheric physics, solar activity, Antarctic, earth satellite programs, and international data exchange. He was founding director of the National Geophysical Data Center and World Data Center “A” in Boulder. He spent much time in travel, foreign and domestic, including many weeks at the Antarctic stations in 1959 and in 1969.

In Boulder Alan was a scientific associate of Walter Orr Roberts. There he met Kathryn Maloney, who worked as an administrative assistant at the High Altitude Observatory. She had gone to Washington in 1941 to “help the great war effort,” working at the Pentagon before it was finished. She worked in the Small Arms Division, with a 36 hour “stretch” at war’s end! After the war she came to Boulder and worked for Dr. Roberts. She remembers her first view of Boulder as she arrived from Washington and was driven via Louisville, “Coming through the goal posts on Arapahoe and seeing the lights of the city with a full moon and a light dust of snow on the ground was a beautiful sight.” This was 1948.

Kathryn was born in Roseglen, ND in May 1920. Her mother had homesteaded 160 acres there and met and married Frank Maloney. They had two children. Kathryn and her brother attended one room rural schools and then high school in
Bismark. She worked in the Public Library as a typist-editor of the ND State WPA project.

Alan and Kathryn were married in 1956. They have one daughter, Carol Louise. Carol was graduated from Fairview High School and from Swarthmore in 1979. She married a class mate, John Karl Etter, from Seattle. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Tulane Law School and now is an associate in a professional law corporation. Both had undergraduate degrees in engineering. Carol and John have two children, Darryl William 15 years, and Vanessa 12 years. They live in New Orleans where Carol is Director of Economic Development for the City.

Alan and Kay, as she is known, have given their time, talents, and energy to many organizations and causes, especially the Democratic party. They were both early organizers of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Boulder. Alan was president of the Colorado Music Festival, was one of the founders of Rocky Mountain Skeptics, and is a member of the Polar Society and Sigma XI. Kay was an organizer of Eco Cycle, has been very active in it for many years and is a volunteer at Frasier North for the Manor Eco Cycle program. Both Alan and Kay are interested in travel, concerts, cards, TV sports, house plants, their cat, and politics. They are a wonderful addition to the Frasier community.

Flo Grieder
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
ELEANOR SIKES

Eleanor Sikes came to Frasier Meadows Manor to make her home in August 1999 and now lives in Apartment #363. Knowing that she had a full and interesting life she was asked to recount it in her own words. This is her story.

“One does what one has to. I was born on February 23, 1916 in La Salle, IL before the doctor arrived at the house. I came on my own, and I’ve been on my own ever since. As one can imagine, my parents were Independents in political matters: I am so thankful for this.

“We were, and children and grandchildren continue to be, an athletic family. I was on every team in high school including swimming and varsity tennis. I was Illinois Valley singles and doubles champion. My daughter was an all-team player at Baseline Junior High. My son was Colorado Boys tennis champion; and he had a few tennis honors while at Carleton College. My grandson played No. 1 tennis at his high school and was swimmer of the year for all suburbs in the area. He is an expert skier. He is a freshman at Colorado College. His sister, a high school freshman, is on the diving team and also gymnastics team. My two Austin, TX granddaughters got a lot of exercise as cheerleaders and later at Middlebury College, in modern dance.

“My sisters and I ‘lived’ in the Carnegie (may God bless him) Library. I remember reading by flashlight held under the bedclothes, so my mother wouldn’t see the light.

“One year in our high school orchestra, my oldest sister was at the piano, my middle sister was first violin, and I had first chair in the cello section. The whole cello section was indescribably inept! My little brother was a vocalist at age five and still is.

“Although there was a whole set of Balzac to read, I decided to settle down and do well enough to go to college. There I became a member of Pi Omega Pi, honorary business education fraternity. Later I belonged to Longmont Swinging Seniors, the Texas Fritztown Squares, Rocky Mountain Climbers Club, Zonta International, Toastmasters International, and I served as PTA president. I was an ardent member of the Congregational Church and of the Presbyterian Church.

“My sister and I, when in our sixties, decided to improve our minds by taking a few lessons in bridge at the senior center in Boulder. After two or three lessons, I
moved to Texas. There was no bridge teacher in Fredericksburg, so I said, ‘Well, I’m a teacher, so I’ll teach bridge.’

“I taught business subjects in Illinois. In 1950, I earned a second bachelor’s degree in primary education so I could pick the town my two children and I would live in after my divorce. I taught in Boulder and then high school in Wheat Ridge. After earning an M. A. in guidance and counseling at C. U., I moved back to IL and was assistant college counselor in a suburban high school until I retired. During this period, my mother was to move to a retirement home where she had no friends, so I took a few courses in library science, and a big reduction in salary, and became head librarian in that town.

“I traveled in Europe extensively, always on my own. My first trip overseas was in 1958 on a slow small ship — lots of fun and games. I was there all summer in part doing a comparative education study in a number of countries. Another year I spent one month in Germany going from town to town in Bavaria searching for family records. One month was spent in Ireland driving a ‘tin can’ and staying in farm homes. Later years took me to the enchanting islands of Mallorca and Madeira.

“After driving from Michigan across five states, by myself of course, I arrived at my new home, Frasier Meadows Manor, on August 18, 1999.”

Eleanor Sikes likes people and the life and activities at the Manor. She is ready to assist when needed. She has enjoyed hearing of the accomplishments of residents, some with notable achievements. She knows that she made the right choice.

Flo Grieder
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
RUTH AND ED STAUFFER

On November 19, 1998 a very delightful couple, Ruth and Ed Stauffer, moved to Frasier Meadows Manor from Estes Park, CO. They reside in apartment #488

Ruth was born in Otelfingen/ZH, Switzerland. She says, “We were a very close knit, Christian family with warm caring parents.” She had 2 sisters and 2 brothers. She lived in Otelfingen until she was 8 years old at which time the family moved to Zurich. She attended primary and secondary schools in Zurich, then 3 years of Trade School, and 1 year in French Switzerland au pair.

Ruth became an Interior Decorator in the family business in Zurich. She had an additional 3 years of training at 2 other locations and then was in charge of a women’s workshop training apprentices for 5 years. She met Ed in church youth groups and they were married in 1950.

Ed was born in Zurich, Switzerland, the second of 6 children, but later lived as a child in Lenzburg, AG. He obtained a primary and secondary education in Zurich and Lenzburg. After World War II he studied at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and graduated in 1949. Immediately after he joined Brown Boveri, now known world wide as ABB.


Ed and Ruth have 6 children. One lives in Boulder, CO; one in Marlten, NJ; one in Escondido, CA; one in Summersville, MO; one in Princeton, NJ; and one in West Palm Beach, CA. They have 12 grandchildren.

Ed and Ruth belong to the Presbyterian Church USA. Over his career years, Ed was active and held offices in the Rotary Club. He attended International Conventions in Minneapolis, MN; Rome, Italy; and Birmingham, England. In the community service area, Ed was elected to join the Board of Directors of several organizations such as the Raritan Valley Chamber of Commerce, the YMCA of New Brunswick, and the New Brunswick Savings Bank. He also served on the Middlesex County NJ Transportation Coordination Committee. When Ed and Ruth retired to Estes Park, CO in 1986, he was active in Rotary Club and a group of Scientists and Engineers who met on a regular basis. Ed watches Congress and the Senate in action on TV as well as documentaries and the Discovery Channel. Ruth’s interest include reading, gardening, sewing, driving, traveling, and working on the computer. It is a pleasure to have this friendly couple as part of our Man-
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LYMAN TAYLOR

Lyman was born on May 20, 1915 in Michigan City, Indiana to Clyde and Linda Taylor. He completed elementary and high school in Michigan City. He graduated from Northwestern University in 1937. In 1943 he was commissioned in the Army Air Corps, and then was stationed at a B-17 bomber base in England until the end of the war in Europe.

His business career was primarily in sales promotion through advertising as a principal in the Taylor - Chalmers Advertising Agency in Indianapolis and Michigan City from 1959 to 1975.

As an active participant in art activities, Lyman founded the Canterbury Summer Theater and the Flying Carpet Travelogue series both in Michigan City and both are still in operation.

While living in Michigan City he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, a member of Rotary Club, and a member of the Lions Club. He was in several Masonic bodies, including sponsorship of DeMolay, an organization for boys of high school age. He was on several boards: bank, hospital, family welfare, and he was a church elder.

Lyman spent many vacations and holidays in Boulder where his sister and brother-in-law, Frances and Thomas Newberry made their home after moving to Boulder from Chihuahua, Mexico with their two children Linda and Kent. Linda now resides in Rolla, MO and Kent resides in Chihuahua. Lyman is deeply thankful for the love he shares with his niece and nephew and their children all of whom - over the years - have spent many summers at nearby Cheley, Camp at Estes Park — that way he has enjoyed seeing them often. In a few years the next generation - now numbering five - will be old enough for Cheley, he says.

Lyman moved to Boulder in July 1988 and quickly became involved in the community. He transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian Church in Boulder and he served on the boards of the Boulder Philharmonic Orchestra and the Boulder Council for International Visitors.

After living 12 years only four blocks away at Villa del Prado apartments, Lyman decided to move to Frasier Meadows Manor in July 1999 and is gradually participating. He says it has so much to offer and asks, “Why didn’t I make the move sooner?”
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HAZEL VANDERKOOP

A small sprightly lady with a happy contagious laugh lives in Apartment #483 at Frasier Meadows Manor. She is Hazel Hockett Vanderkooy. She married Garrett Vanderkooy on Valentines Day 1999. She became acquainted with the tall good-looking man and they found they had many mutual interests, especially traveling. Hazel had lost her husband, Garrett had lost his wife. It was a happy solution.

Hazel was born in Melrose, MA to Carl and Lillian Weiler. She had one sibling, a sister, Marjorie. Times were hard during her early years. Her grandfather, after much persistence, took the family to live with him in Sioux Falls, SD. This is where Hazel received her education. Later in Minneapolis she took some courses toward teacher training. She met and married Kenneth Crowley there. They came to Boulder which became home to Hazel. As a business woman, she helped her husband to open and operate Crowley Furniture Store. She was a mother then too, raising their two children, twins.

Hazel became a member of the First Presbyterian Church. She loved working with children and helped there in several capacities of lay leadership and also at Highlands church camp and YMCA retreat camp. She was a valued volunteer.

Kenneth Crowley passed away leaving her with four children. Her time was then devoted to caring for and raising her children.

In 1981 she married Howard Wayne Hockett. They both loved dancing and enjoyed their work with the Golden Age dancing at the Senior Center and the Friday night dance there. This became “Senior Fun Dinner Dance” at the Elks Club. Hazel was rewarded with the title of Volunteer of the Year, 1985. The volunteer work at the Elks continued for many years, promoting parties, interviewing musicians, fund raisers, but especially her favorite, “Dance Showcase Extravaganza.”

Hazel is an outgoing friendly person who enjoys being helpful to others and useful where needed. “The AARP Widows Service” was such a place. Her husband had died in 1994. She joined the group and assisted with their program.

Hazel enjoys the support of her large extended family: the twins, Dr. Kenneth Crowley and David Scott Crowley; Beverly Rae Frick of Conroe, TX; Diane Beth Martin of Westminster, CO. David lives in Tunjunga, CA. Hazel also has step-children: Shirley Thoele of Longmont, CO; Roger Hockett of Loveland, CO; and Carolyn Reaume of Sault Ste. Marie, MI. She has 13 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

Frasier Meadows Manor is now home to Hazel where she has friends and activities she enjoys. She says she can now add the rest of the title of the autobiography she has written which is “Rejection and Blessings” for she knows her
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**DORYCE VINK**

Doryce Vink moved from Holland, Michigan to Frasier Meadows Manor, Apartment 469, on August 2, 1999.

Doryce’s parents lived in Belleville, MI and she was born in a hospital in nearby Ypsilanti. Doryce’s father was a Public School Superintendent. She lived her first 2 years in Belleville after which the family moved to Northville, MI. Doryce’s 1st 5 years of education was in Northville. The family then moved back to Ypsilanti where her father went into real estate and later insurance. Doryce graduated from Roosevelt high, a lab school under State Normal Teacher’s College in Ypsilanti, in 1936. Doryce then continued her education at Albion college in Albion, MI for 2 years after which she transferred to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and completed a degree in English literature.

By this time Doryce had met Donald Vink, a Chemical Engineer who specialized in Petroleum engineering. Donald had taken a job with Standard Oil of California. He returned to Ypsilanti at Christmas of 1940, the couple were married and Doryce moved with him to California. In 1942 they returned to Ypsilanti where Donald took a job with Parke Davis Pharmaceuticals. The war essential work he was in at Parke Davis deferred him from serving in the military. Both their children were born during the war years. Don continued to work for Parke Davis after the war and in 1950 the family moved to Holland, MI where Don was in charge of the Parke Davis facility. Because of failing health, Don was forced into retirement in 1965. Don passed away in 1998 and was buried at Spring Lake, MI — his original birth place. He was a descendant of Netherlands Dutch immigrants who settled in Spring Lake.

Both Doryce’s children live in Boulder. Daughter Lori’s husband, Norman Peddie, is retired from the US Geological Survey of Golden, CO. Lori and Norman’s children are Daniel and Richard. Son, Dr. Donald James Vink, taught at the college level for 12 years and spent one year in Ankara, Turkey teaching English Literature at the graduate level. Donald then became a free lance poetry writer. Donald’s wife is Debbie and their children are Jacob and Sara Lori.

Doryce’s grandfather on her mother’s side of the family, a son of Scottish immigrants, founded, edited and published the Capac, MI journal for 66 years. At age 94 he received a birthday letter from the London Daily, the oldest newspaper in the world, congratulating him as the oldest newspaper editor in the world. He lived to age 97 when he was killed by an automobile as he walked to work.

Doryce has been a Presbyterian, an Episcopalian, but mostly a Methodist and currently attends the Mountain View United Methodist Church. In the past she has been active in church activities including founding and editing a church news-
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**BILL AND JEAN WAINWRIGHT**

Bill and Jean Wainwright moved from their home on nearby Chippewa Dr. to Frazier North, apartment #493, on May 1, 1998.

After meeting on a high school hayride in 1943, Bill and Jean became high school sweethearts which eventually led to their marriage in June of 1951.

Jean Pierce was born in Kendallville, IN on April 24th. She grew up in Wolcottville, IN where she attended grade and high school. After graduating from high school it 1947, she attended the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Indianapolis and graduated in 1950 as a registered nurse. She worked at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Lafayette, IN for 2 1/2 years until their first child was born. Jean is and has been well known at Frasier Meadows Manor for many years for her volunteer work in the Health Care Center. Jean has played the marimba since age 12 and has shared her talent numerous times with the residents at the Manor as well as other groups. She is a member of P.E.O. and the University Women’s Club. She has been active in the Mountain View United Methodist Church serving on several committees and especially with the United Methodist Women. She shares her musical talent, not only with her marimba, but has been a loyal member of the church choir since coming to Boulder. Her other interests include bridge and cooking.

Bill was born on December 8 in Fostoria, OH. During his childhood he lived in La Grange, IN on a farm near Wolcottville. He also received his early education in Wolcottville. Bill was in the army with duty in Japan from April of 1946 to the fall of 1947 after which he entered Purdue University where he received a B.S in 1951 and an M.S. in 1954 — both in Engineering Mechanics. He earned a PhD in the same field at the University of Michigan in 1958. Bill then was on the faculty at the US Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, CA where he taught mathematics and mechanics until he accepted a job on the faculty of the University of California at Berkeley where he taught Engineering Mechanics and was on the Research Staff. In 1964, Bill joined the Mechanical Engineering Department at the University of Colorado where he taught Engineering Mechanics until retirement. During his career he was also an industry consultant and received several awards as an outstanding teacher. Bill is an alumnus of Delta Tau Delta, a social fraternity; and a member of Tau Beta Pi engineering society, as well as other technical societies.
Bill comes from a family of considerable musical talent. His mother was an accomplished musician on piano and stringed instruments. His father was a teacher of band instruments and a band leader — his bands received national recognition in competition. Bill’s father founded a summer music camp in the 1920’s just five miles from Wolcottville. Bill’s sister was an excellent harpist. While in college, Bill sang in a barbershop quartet which received international honors. Bill is also a member of the Mountain View United Methodist Church Choir and at times has substituted as its director. In addition to music, Bill is interested in computers, photography, and reading.

Bill and Jean have 4 children: Jill is married to Randy Peper and they live in Champaign, IL. They have 5 children and their 3 older daughters attend BYU. Jain Wainwright is married to Hernán Loza and they live in Denver. They have 4 children. Son, Jack, lives in Boulder. Son, Joseph, is married to Monica and they with their one son live in Denver.

The Frasier Meadows Manor community is most pleased to have Bill and Jean as members.

*Ed Putzier*
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
NINA WALLACE

On Christmas day 1917, a daughter was born to the Battles family at their home in rural Iowa near the town of Jefferson. She joined a family of three sisters. We now know the diminutive, neat, and attractive lady living in Apartment 91 as Nina Wallace.

Nina was raised on the small farm and attended a rural school taught by her sister who demanded high standards. She attended Jefferson high school and the University of Iowa to study music. She had begun piano lessons at age seven. Throughout her life music was her main interest. At 15 years she was organist at Central Christian Church in Jefferson except when attending college.

Nina was married to William Wallace for fifty years. They had a son Richard (Dick). They lived on a farm where they raised purebred Angus cattle. In later years when they moved to Boulder, CO, he was in the real estate business. They lived at 950 Sycamore until his death in 1987.

Son, Richard, received his BA at the University of Colorado. He served as an officer in the Navy for three years and afterwards returned to the University of Colorado for his MA and to Stanford for a PhD. He married Mary Soulé. They live at Los Altos, CA. Dick is now vice president of Light Ware, a company that does research and development on lasers. Nina visits them often and is a devoted mother.

Nina continued her interest in music by teaching both organ and piano. She played professionally with dance bands, for fashion shows, horse shows, and dinner music. She formed a combo call Three Jacks and a Jill playing for dances and clubs in the Boulder area.

In September 1997 she moved to Frasier North and occupies apartment #91. Although her family live in Iowa, she believes she made a good decision to come to Frasier Meadows Manor where she enjoys her life and many friends. Bridge is an important diversion and the many activities there. She is always generous in contributing her time and talents when called upon.

Flo Grieder
Louise Loomis was born on March 8, 1919 in Wichita Falls, TX. Her ancestors came to the United States from England in 1638. They were the founders of Windsor, Connecticut. Louise’s father was a cereal chemist. They moved to Saskatchewan, Canada for a short time and then her father became a chief chemist for the North Dakota Mill and Elevator in Grand Forks, ND. The place that Louise associates with home is Grand Forks, ND where her father established Loomis Laboratories. Grand Forks is where Louise went to high school, and then attended the University of North Dakota, majoring in Medical Technology. She interned at Fairview Hospital in Minneapolis and then moved to Tulsa, OK where she was employed as a technician with the Springer Clinic.

It was in Tulsa that she met Dean Wellman, a geologist with the Pure Oil Company. They were married in 1942. This marriage produced three children; a daughter, Deanne, and two sons, Charles and Robert. Deanne is a speech pathologist, Robert is a dentist in Denver, and Chuck, a graduate architectural engineer, is a most familiar person to us all. On the Manor staff, he is presently overseeing the new construction at Frasier Meadows Manor and was formerly head of our maintenance department. Louise has seven grandchildren.

Louise loved to ski. She was a member of the “Winter Park Over Seventy Skiers,” and has a gold medal from the Winter Park NASTAR race. In college she did a great deal of ski jumping. In 1994, because of declining health, she had to hang up her skis.

Louise has an enviable list of civic involvements. While in Oklahoma City, she was President of Delta Gamma Alumni and a Girl Scout leader. In Denver she helped organize the Rocky Mountain Association of Geologists Wives. She started a University of North Dakota Alumni group, was a volunteer at the Denver Art Museum, and was on the Board of the Denver Symphony.

Louise’s apartment at Frasier Meadows Manor is filled with her handiwork and her collections. She has embroidered and put together six clocks, has a spoon collection memorializing her travels to Alaska, the European countries, Switzerland and Monaco. Her granddaughter, Nina, was born in Monaco, and Princess Grace wrote Nina a note on the occasion of her birth.

In 1949, Louise constructed a Christmas village. It was so remarkably done that the Denver Post wrote an article about it complete with pictures. But, perhaps at Frasier Meadows Manor, Louise is most noted for her large collection of animat-
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CAROL ATWOOD WENTWORTH  

Carol Atwood Wentworth was born in Janesville, WI on December 29, 1924, the daughter of Leo Holmes Atwood and Besse Burch Atwood. She attended elementary schools at Ft. Atkinson, WI; Evanston, IL; South Bend, IN; and Mishawaki, IN. She graduated from high school at Delavan, WI in 1942. She attended the University of Wisconsin from 1942 to 1946 earning her B. A. degree in International Relations.

Carol began her career as Letter of Credit Clerk with the Massey-Harris Company in Toronto, Canada and continued in that position until her marriage in 1949. Later she was an Executive Secretary at Dupont of Canada in Montreal. Returning to the States, she held a similar position at the First Wisconsin National Bank in Milwaukee from 1959 to 1967.

Carol met and married her first husband in Toronto during her employment there. After her return to the States, she married Walter A. Wentworth whom she met in Madison during World War II.

Carol is a member of the Methodist Church and of the DAR. She has served as a board member of the Child Abuse Council in Georgia and of the Mental Health Association in that state. She is a member of the Golden Isles Genealogical Association; a founding member of “Safe Harbor,” a home for abused women; and a charter member of First Families of Western Pennsylvania.

Carol joined the Frasier Meadows Manor family on April 13, 2000, coming here from St. Simons Island, GA.

Grace Martini
MINI-BIOGRAPHY
RUTH YEARNS

Ruth Yearns is no stranger to foreign travel. With her husband, Kenneth J. Yearns, a career Foreign Service Officer, she has been at home in China, India, Brazil, and Argentina. Her apartment is furnished with beautiful carved wooden pieces from China.

Ruth was born in Everett, Washington. When she was three years old she moved with her family to central Oregon where her father homesteaded. The land was dry and poor, so when she was eleven her father took his family to Alberta, Canada where he bought land from the Canadian Pacific Railway and had a cattle and sheep ranch. “Alberta was paradise after central Oregon,” she says.

Ruth attended high school in Wetaskiwin, Alberta and passed the Provincial examination before returning to Everett where her mother was living on an income left to her by an aunt. Her father died when he was thirty three. Both of Ruth’s parents were firm believers in education. In Everett, Ruth took courses in business and obtained an appointment in a Federal office in Washington, D. C. She attended evening classes at George Washington University and received a B. A. degree in history. At the university she met her husband.

After years abroad, the couple retired to Boulder to a home in Four Mile Canyon. Later they had a house in the Frasier Meadows area of Boulder. After her husband’s death Ruth had an apartment near the University of Colorado campus.

Apart from her life as wife of a Foreign Service Officer, Ruth has been involved in a number of volunteer activities. These include the Red Cross and nursing homes in Boulder for twenty five years. She won the Minori Yasui award of 2000 to go to non-profit organizations or households. She is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Ruth moved to Apartment 436 in Frasier Meadows Manor in August 1999.

Janet Ross