

January 2026

LITTLETON MUSEUM LIVING HISTORY FARMS

JANUARY

In Colorado January can have pleasant, brisk days as well as bitterly cold snows. When you live on a farm you must be prepared for whatever nature sends your way! During the cold winter months, you will often find the historic interpreters indoors during the day, working by a fire or stove. But they are also outside making sure the livestock is safe and comfortable in all kinds of weather.

"The house was heated by a coal stove. They had what they called the old potbelly stoves. I can remember there in the old log house at the ranch, they had it sitting in a corner, and behind it was a bench. We'd come in with our feet cold and...we'd pull everything off...We'd sit there and rest our feet on the bottom ring around the bottom of the stove to warm up our toes. – and usually we'd wind up burning them. But all we ever had was just the coal heat, both for the kitchen, to cook on, and for the heat."

- Jennie Steele Mott, *Homesteading Women: An Oral History of Colorado, 1890 – 1950*, pp.40-41.

Spend this month exploring day-to-day life in 19th century Littleton, on two living history farms. We are a working farm, and our daily Life on the Farm programs demonstrate how early citizens of Littleton may have worked and played during the same time of year. Our historic Interpreters demonstrate cooking, clothing, trades, games, agriculture, and much more.

In addition to Life on the Farm, we also offer special weekend programs!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 New Year's Day Museum Closed	2 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 2:00pm.	3 10:00am – 1:00pm: Pork and Beans
4 11:00am – 2:00pm: Corset Flossing	5 CLOSED	6 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	7 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	8 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	9 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 2:00pm.	10 10:00am – 1:00pm: Sewing
11 11:00am – 2:00pm: Apple Butter	12 CLOSED	13 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	14 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	15 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 2:00pm.	16 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	17 10:00am -1:00pm: Knitting to Keep Warm
18 11:00am – 1:00pm: Penny-Rug Making	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Museum Closed	20 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	21 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	22 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	23 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 2:00pm.	24 10:00am – 1:00pm: Berlin Work
25 11:00am – 1:00pm: Knitting for Warmth	26 CLOSED	27 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	28 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm	29 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 2:00pm.	30 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm. Chores – 3:00pm.	31 10:00am – 1:00pm: Vinegar Pie



JANUARY - WEEKEND STAFF PROGRAMS

- **Pork and Beans**
Learn about this comforting winter staple in the 1860s Cabin.
(Saturday, 01/03)
- **Corset Flossing**
Nothing to do with teeth! See what Victorian women did to make corsets last.
(Sunday, 01/04)
- **Sewing**
Making and mending clothing was a necessary and time-consuming task for Victorian women. See the process in the 1860s Cabin.
(Saturday, 01/10)
- **Apple Butter**
Taking the last apples from cold storage and canning them to last even longer.
(Sunday, 01/11)
- **Knitting to Keep Warm**
Knitting can be done at times during the long winter evenings, when a host of useful things can be made by industrious fingers.
(Saturday, 01/17)
- **Penny-Rug Making**
Putting those old scraps together to make a penny rug. See how they were made in the 1890s Farmhouse.
(Sunday, 01/18)
- **Berlin Work**
Learn about the ancestor of needlepoint and counted cross stitch in the 1860s Cabin.
(Saturday, 01/24)
- **Knitting for Warmth**
Knitting can be done at times during the long winter evenings, when a host of useful things can be made by industrious fingers.
(Sunday, 01/25)
- **Vinegar Pie**
Baking a uniquely tasty treat when fresh food is scarce was import part of life in the 1860s. See how it was made in the 1860s Cabin.
(Saturday, 01/31)