



Genoa Connection

The Town of Genoa—Nevada's Oldest Settlement—Founded in 1851

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Genoa's 88th Annual Candy Dance

September 27-28

2008 VENDOR BOOTH SPACES AVAILABLE

Contact the Town Office: (775) 782-8696 or

visit our website: www.genoanevada.org

for more information and vendor application

Candy Makers Wanted!

The Town of Genoa and the 2008 Candy Dance planning committee invite interested volunteers to help make approximately 4,000 pounds of candy for the 88th Annual Genoa Candy Dance. No experience is needed—veteran candy makers will show you how Genoa's famous homemade candy is made and help you get started. Whether you volunteer for an hour or many hours, your help will be appreciated. Support your community, meet and socialize with old and new friends, and help continue a historic Genoa tradition! Candy making will begin on Monday, August 18, and continue through **September**. The schedule will be posted on the Genoa Web site (<http://www.genoanevada.org/>) when confirmed. To volunteer, or for more information, contact Marian Vassar, 782-4584, or the Genoa Town Office, 782-8696.

History of the Candy Dance

by *Billie J. Rightmire, Genoa Town Historian*



Lillian Virgin Finnegan

The Genoa Candy Dance originated in 1919 as an effort to raise money to purchase streetlights for the small but enterprising community of Genoa, Nevada's first settlement.

Lillian Virgin Finnegan, daughter of then prominent judge Daniel Webster Virgin, suggested the idea of a dance and making candy to pass around during the dance as an incentive for a good turnout of couples.

With the help of her aunt, Jane Raycraft Campbell, and the female populace of Genoa, she made delicious samples of candy, which really made the evening special. Of course, the midnight supper

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Spotlight on Local Business

Gillmor Coons Real Estate Group

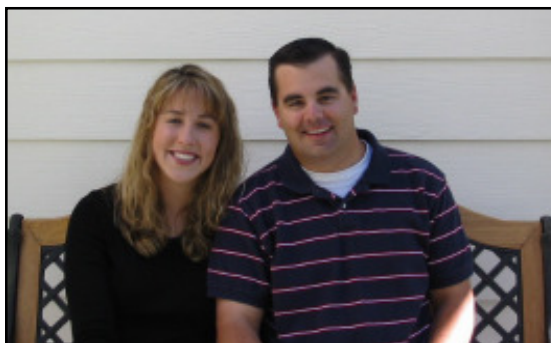
Next to the Genoa Masonic Building on Main Street, sits the office of family-owned Gillmor Coons Real Estate Group. The corner site was chosen by Gina Gillmor-Coons and Chad Coons for its convenient center of town location and easy access parking. The couple, local residents of Genoa, have worked in real estate for over seven years and opened the new office in June

2005. Both are licensed brokers in Nevada and California.

Chad is a CCIM (Certified Commercial Investment Member), which is one of the top commercial designations in the country.

Only 6% of all Commercial Brokers nationwide hold this designation. Chad assists clients with consulting, leasing, purchasing, selling and 1031 exchanges. They

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