West Virginia storyteller and actress, Karen Vuranch, recreates the fire and energy that was Mother Jones in a living history performance. She tells the story of Mother Jones’ life and, treating the audience as if they were a group of workers, she cajoles and exhorts them to work together for the cause of the union. The audience is encouraged to participate by asking questions. Karen’s lively presentation will leave the audience knowing how it felt to sit in a union hall and listen to the outspoken Mother Jones.

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