

The Wagon Tongue

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From the Wagon Seat:

The calendar says spring is here, but from the weather we've had here in the valley for the past few weeks, I think the calendar is wrong. Anyway, we should be having some warmer days soon. And with warmer days comes more activity at the MVHA museum site. Our fund raising efforts have been somewhat successful and we believe we now have enough money to begin construction of the Otto Cross-Oscar Angle Forge Building. The foundation was poured last summer and construction on the building should begin in May. Ticker Jones will serve as construction boss with the work being done by MVHA member volunteers. Kieth Mainwaring has offered to help and Larry Keifer will be on hand to oversee the installation of the original forge equipment. So those of you who are available when work begins will be asked to volunteer a few days to help with the construction.

The "Walk of Names" project is still ongoing. We have sold 257 boards and have had promises of some more purchases to come. I want to thank all of you who have purchased boards and made this project such a success. We now have enough boards to complete the walkway down to the parking lot and will soon start on the ramp that goes off the porch toward the Forge Building. If you or someone you know wants to honor someone, we are still accepting orders for boards. The price is \$50 and the board will be routed with the recipients' names (and brands if they have one.)

Our monthly programs have been well received this winter. Joe Smithson was our January speaker and gave a very interesting presentation on the Highland Mary Mine and other related stories. In February, Joe "Red Feather" Bettinger, a member of the Oglala Lakota tribe, presented a informative (and entertaining) program on Native Americans with special emphasis on the Lemhi-Shoshone. On March 17, the MVHA had its third annual William Ennis Day Birthday Celebration complete with Irish stew, Irish soda bread, Blarney Stones, Irish tea, birthday cake, and Irish accordion music played by Jan Beekman. The MVHA also sponsored a writing contest, "I like William Ennis because....," for the Ennis Junior High School 8th graders. Walker McKitrick won the contest and he and his family enjoyed a complimentary dinner at the Birthday Celebration and Walker received a copy of Jimmy Spray's book *Early Days in the Madison Valley* for his prize.

We have some exciting presentations scheduled for our regular Thursday afternoon presentations in April-June. Then in July and August we will have our traditional MVHA field trips. Keep watch in the *Madisonian* for the announcement of these events.

The paper work has been filed with the Montana Department of Transportation to recognize the MVHA as the sponsor for cleaning two miles of Montana Highway 287 in front of the Museum site. As soon as we receive the materials, we will schedule a safety training program for volunteers and then we will have our first "clean-up" party.

Our condolences go out to the Chuck "Charlie Brown" Armitage family with the passing of Charlie. Charlie was quite a collector of photographic memorabilia of Ennis and the surrounding area. Charlie had promised his collection would go to the MVHA with his passing. His sister, Esther Warburton, followed through with Charlie's request and the MVHA now has a storage room full of Charlie's photos. We hope to sort through this collection and then have a rotating display of his photographs on the Museum walls.

Election of two board members will take place at the general membership meeting in May. If you are interested in serving on the board, contact one of the members of the nominations committee, Larry Love or Neil Kent. And if you are around in May, expect a call from one of us to come help with the construction project. Let's keep the wagons rollin'.

Your Wagon Master, Otis Thompson

History Tidbits Brooks DeHoney, a trapper from Meadow Creek area, got a coyote measuring 68 inches long on the Revenue Mine (Madisonian March 28, 1924 from Sue Ren)

1970's: Meanings have changed: Olive Losee's School House Gallery and Pot Shop which was opened in 1971 seems to be an example of the type of development the community needs more of. By Minnie Paugh by way of Don Black

Welcome to Membership The following have joined since the January issue. Please add to any membership list you might be keeping.

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Membership Update 2010 memberships are now past due and 2011 memberships are starting to come due. Please check your address label on your issue of the Wagon Tongue and you can tell when your membership is due or if you have not purchased it yet. Some of you have taken care of business and your membership has been received. Thank you! Your membership is good for a full year from the date that you purchased it and you are not penalized for submitting early. Memberships are \$5.00 for students, \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for families, \$50.00 for Businesses and \$100.00 for Patrons.

The MVHA is currently doing a campaign to raise funds for the Phase II of the Museum. If you made a donation of \$500 or more, your membership status has been elevated to Benefactor. If your membership comes due before the next (July '11) Wagon Tongue, you will find a membership application enclosed. If you are inviting a new person to join or want to purchase your membership before it is due, just write out name, mailing address and type of membership and mail with membership fee to MVHA at P.O. Box 474, Ennis, MT. 59729.

The Board of Directors of your Madison Valley History Association appreciates all the memberships that are purchased as this allows them to have funds to continue the work of developing a museum in the Madison Valley:)

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Member News

Longtime MVHA member, **Don ('Kid') Neville** celebrated his 80th birthday on Feb. 7.

Local historian and MVHA member, **Gary Forney**, has his latest book available. It is entitled It Takes all Kinds. Dick Pace began the book and although he was unable to complete the project before his death, he left an outline and chapter drafts which Gary was able to use in completing the poignant token of Dick's forty year legacy of living and working in Virginia City. The MVHA will be hearing from Gary later about this book.

Memories

The Wagon Tongue has been getting favorable feedback on the memories of our members and long time Madison Valley residents and natives who have passed on. Please help out by sending your stories and memories about deceased members or residents to the Wagon Tongue. Obituaries from the local newspapers will not be reprinted. We are looking for stories that

will expand on the deceased lives, genealogy, and contributions, etc. to the history of the Madison Valley. The Madison County Trails and Trials and Progressive Years have helped but not everyone's family history is included there and sometime there are good stories out there that have never been printed. So help out if you have information to share. The Wagon Tongue does not want anyone excluded because of lack of new stories. Please, I need your stories. I do not have much information on some of these folks.

Dec. 28, 2010 **Jerry Lee Smith** passed away in Three Forks. Jerry's father, Lloyd, was born in Conrad, Mt. He left that area in the fall of 1936 and he and a friend came to the McAllister area to work at the Hagl Sawmill up North Meadow Creek. Lloyd married Sarah E. Mize on Oct. 28, 1940. Jerry was born of this union on Jan. 12, 1945 in Bozeman. He grew up in McAllister and played, fished, hunted, trapped and explored the Meadow Creek area he loved so much. He graduated from Ennis High School in 1963. He married Roberta Roberts of Whitehall on June 14, 1965. After serving in the Army, he and Roberta purchased the Texaco Station in Norris. Then after working out of the area for many years, Jerry came full circle and his final job was back at Norris as service manager for A. M. Welles. Jerry's father and mother, Lloyd and Sarah Smith still have a home out of McAllister on the lake. Obituaries *Madisonian*, Jan. 6 '11 Progressive Years, pg 697-698

David Allen Doherty passed away on Jan. 2, 2011 at his home in Ennis. Dave was born Aug. 17, 1924 in Butte, Mt. He was raised in Butte and started his education career at Montana Tech, and then served his country in the Air Corps. After W.W.II, he attended Montana State College in Bozeman getting a Master's Degree in Mathematics and Physics. He and his wife, Dorothy, moved to Ennis where Dave taught school for over 9 years. Then they moved to Seattle where he worked for Boeing. After 25 years there, they moved back to Ennis for retirement in the 1980's. Obituaries *Madisonian* Jan 6 '11

Long time MVHA member and a prominent area rancher, **Gene Walsh**, passed away on Jan. 14, 2011. He was born to Carter and Elizabeth Walsh in Stockton, Calif. on Nov. 1, 1924. In Dec. of 1950, he married Lois Shields and in 1956, he brought his young family to Montana and took up ranching in the Madison Valley. He and his family have owned and operated a cattle ranch south of Cameron since 1957. He was proud of the registered quarter horses and cattle that were produced there. For many years the cattle were trailed from the home ranch to summer range in the beautiful Centennial Valley. Obituaries *Madisonian* Jan. 20, '11

Roger Ray Reichman passed away on Jan. 23, 2011 in Billings. He was born Aug. 15, 1946 to Warren and Wilma Reichman of Sedan, MT. Shortly after his birth, his family moved to Missoula where his father graduated
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ed from the School of Journalism. His parents purchased the *Madisonian* and moved to Virginia City in 1950. Roger attended school in VC through the 8th grade and graduated from Ennis High School in 1964. He got a degree from the U of M, joined the Air Force retiring in 1989. After retirement, he purchased a small ranch at his birthplace at Sedan, MT where he lived until passing on Obituaries *Madisonian* Jan. 27, 2011.

Malvin R. Estes of Beaverton, Oregon passed away on Jan. 27, 2011. He was born July 21, 1938 in Ennis to Malvin V. and Katherine F. (Hinton) Estes. He was raised and received his education in Ennis, graduating from Ennis High School in 1957. He attended Western Montana College in Dillon and Montana State University before entering the Marine Corp in 1962. After his service years, he worked for TWA Airlines and for IBM. Obituaries *Madisonian*, Jan 27, '11

Mark Austin Jeffers passed away on Feb. 26, 2011 at age of 63. Mark is preceded in death by father, Paul Myron Jeffers, father-in-law, Howard Stephens and nephew, Corporal Joshua Wade Cody. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Sharon Stephens Jeffers, His mother, Ardis Emma Jeffers, son, Michael Todd Jeffers and daughter Laurel Christine Jeffers and three grandchildren, Emma Adeliegh, Annelise Elizabeth and Micah Patrick Jeffers. Mark graduated from Louisiana State University with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering. He was a professional petroleum engineer for 29 years serving many companies including Amoco, British Petroleum and Seagull Energy, where he served as vice president of drilling and production before retirement. Mark, Sharon and their children settled in Richmond, TX in 1988. Here he began his every tenacious and brave battle with cancer. Mark was the grandson of Paul and Pink Jeffers and great grandson of Myron and Florence Jeffers. Memory submitter by Shirley Jeffers Gustafson.

Harold "Charlie Brown" Armitage passed away March 9, 2011 at his home in Ennis. He was born March 24, 1931 in Ennis to pioneer family, Charles "Chick" and Lenora "Sis" (Wiedner) Armitage." Charlie Brown's" grand father, Charles Harry Armitage was son of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Armitage and was born in Virginia City. He parents moved to Helena where Charles attended school. When a young man, he and his brother, Jesse, opened a jewelry store in White Sulfur Springs, Mt. Tiring of indoor work, Charles came to the Madison Valley and took up a homestead on Indian Creek, being the first person to take up land in that vicinity. He build a good sized house, barn, sheds and corrals. In Feb. 1888, he married Miss Emma O. Whitney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis C. Whitney, pioneers of Montana. Charles and Emma had five children, one of them "Charlie Brown's" father, Charles A. "Chick" Armitage.

"Charlie Brown" lived all of his life in Ennis except 1958-1961 when he lived in California working for TWA Airlines. He worked for Leonard McAtee operating the Blue Moon Saloon at Cameron and later operated the bar himself. He worked for the US Postal Service as a rural route driver for 30 years. Pioneer Trails and Trials p 8

Obituaries *Madisonian*, March 17, 2011

Lester Klatt, long time MVHA member, provided this story in memory of his brother, Ernie Klatt.

Ernest Louis Klatt was born May 17, 1917 at Denton, Mt. His time in the Madison Valley began in 1946 when he and his brother, Cecil, purchased the Wall Creek Ranch south of Cameron from Ben and Laura Lockhart.

My experience with Ernie in the valley was to stay with him when Cecil's family was not at home, this being mostly in the winter. Roads were real tough from the McAtee bridge past the Lichte place/Holts and on to the ranch at Wall Creek. A couple of experiences--I was awakened one morning with this hollering. Looking out the window, I see batch lor, Ernie, with a broom, chasing the moose from the load of hay in the yard. He was dressed in long johns and 4 buckle overshoes.

Another time after a week or more of living as hermits, we decided to go to town. A team of horses and bob sled took us a mile to the "lower place". There the universal jeep had been left in low range, 4 wheel drive so when we pulled it with team all 4 wheels would not turn--so the engine would not start. We drove the team back to the ranch barn and checked out the thermometer -27° below. Well, we decided to still go to town so put on the snow shoes and headed cross country. Part way there was a yearling moose caught up in the fence. We twisted the wire from both sides and the moose ran off across the open field. On to the Shelton's for warming up and coffee with Glen and Bev. Then to the highway and down to the Hippe place. From there we caught a ride to Ennis. You know, I can't remember how we got home. Maybe Gib Clark or Eddie Shipman brought us back?

Ernie was raised and completed high school while on his Dad's farm in the Dakotas. He was in World War II stationed in England with the U.S. Air Force--B17's. There is a Veterans block for him the Memorial in Ennis.

After the ranch was sold, Ernie moved to Bozeman and married Shirley Craver. He had a job with Milan's Nursery, driving the pink trucks. He said he enjoyed delivering the pretty roses to the ladies.

Enduring several years of cancer treatments, Ernie joined his savior on March 7, 2003 at 85 years of age.

William Ennis Day Birthday Celebration

William Ennis, the founder of Ennis, was born in County Down, Ireland on March 17, 1828. In honor of his birthday the MVHA had the third annual William Ennis Day Birthday Celebration on March 17 which replaced our usual meeting for the month of March. The mayor made the proclamation and we have more to celebrate in Ennis on March 17 than just St. Patrick's Day. An Irish Beef Stew dinner was held at the Fire Hall with Vicky Noack catering the stew and coleslaw and MVHA members providing the Irish Soda Bread and Blarney Stones and did the serving for the evening. Birthday cake was donated by Madison Foods, cole slaw serving cups donated by Bynee's, napkin wrappers from Yesterdays, water pitchers and packets of honey and butter by Ennis Cafe, and advertizing banners by Pepsi.

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Please thank the businesses for their donations and support them with your patronage.

Jan Beekman provided Irish music on her accordion and Larry Love sang a few Irish songs. Don Black made a 2011 edition custom made Connemara Marble necklace with marble from Ireland which the MVHA sold by silent auction. Many local businesses got into the fun for the day with specials at their stores and Irish music playing during the day. A great time was had by all and you missed a great celebration if you did not get to participate.

The MVHA also sponsored a writing contest, "I like William Ennis because.." at the Ennis Junior High School and Mr. Bills' 8th graders participated. **Walker McKittrick's** essay received votes from all four judges and won the contest. He and his family enjoyed a complimentary dinner. Walker read his essay to the gathering and received a copy of Jimmy Spray's Early Days in the Madison Valley.

Walker McKittrick submitted this essay:

I like William Ennis because.. William Ennis was born on March 17 in County Down, Ireland in 1828. He came to the United States in 1863 He settled in the Madison Valley while in the freighting business. He lived in a small log cabin in present downtown Ennis. He opened a store, which later became the post office.

He became postmaster of the post office. He upgraded to a thirteen room mansion three years later.

William was shot on June 18, 1898. He was hospitalized about a month, and died on July 4, 1898. He was shot by his neighbor. He is a hero for establishing the settlement of Ennis, MT.

Congratulations, Walker, on your essay and thanks to the judges Jane Rybus, Shirley Love, Phyllis Wasick and Larry Love.

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MVHA member Robert Hughes has provided the WT with a electronic copy of his father's (Thomas Hughes)diary written from Oct. 31, 1904 to early 1906. This diary has been reprinted in past, this, and future issues of the WT. First part was in Oct. 2010 and second in Jan. 2011. If you have missed the first two installments check the web site or request a copy of the previous 2 issues.

DAD'S Diary submitted by R R (Bob) Hughes. The Jan. '11 issue left them on Nov. 16 and they had just learned who was president.

Nov. 17

Camped tonight on Antelope Creek on a mans ranch. Horses in the barn eating good timothy hay for 25c a pair. This Idaho is certainly a cheap place to live.

Weather still good.

Nellie had commenced to get a fistula so I traded her off this morning for an old saddle horse, older than I am.

Didn't get much but was not trying to make a good trade, just wanted Nellie to get a good home. She will get to run in a pasture now and may get well where if we keep her she would have to keep right on going.

Besides we can get more out of this old skate as he is a good saddle horse yet.

Nov. 18

Roaded 35 miles today. Got into Idaho Falls about 5 o'clock. Windy and dusty all day. Put the horses in a livery stable, expect to stay in town all day tomorrow. This place seems to be booming, but is about the toughest hole I ever saw. About 3000 people and growing right along. Big sugar factories close to town. Army and J.D. Smith had an oyster eating contest this evening.

Nov. 19

Haven't left town yet but will leave this afternoon. Looks like we are strictly up against it. Got about \$10.00 yet and 500 miles to go on it. Worst of it is, we will have to buy feed from now on and can't even do that south of here is our most direct route, as it isn't settled up very much. No respect for a poor devil here. One good thing, we have about 300 lbs. finest meat in the world so won't get very hungry for awhile.

Wrote to Mabel today, didn't tell her exact circumstances. Got a haircut and shave this morning, from outside appearances am apt to be taken for some railroad magnate or at the least some wealthy cattleman, while if the truth be known, I feel like thirty about half spent. My experience of human nature is that a man should never let people know how hard up he is. Somebody said "laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone" Whoever wrote that didn't go around with his eyes shut.

Left the city about 3 o'clock, went out of town about 8 miles, camped on an old girls' ranch. Bought hay of her. Evidently didn't look very good to her as she made us pay in advance. It's queer, the difference in people. Asked a fellow down the road where there was someone who had lots of horses, meant to strike him for a job twisting and this fellow took us for horse buyers. Ate supper with a horse thief last night and he didn't seem to think we were in the wrong kind of company. Idaho Falls full of horse thieves and they seem to be proud of it.

Nov. 20

Bad luck again. Something wrong with Red this morning, could hardly get out of barn .Went within about 3 miles of Blackfoot City today, had to stop, Red couldn't go no farther. Knocks us out completely, well have to put horses in pasture for awhile. Worst country in the world to get laid over in, they never saw more than 15 cents at one time here and that belonged to some one who didn't live here. They won't give you a pleasant look without you pay in advance for it.

Nov. 21

Laid over today. Red still lame so we are looking for pasture for the horses, and intend taking the train out of here, leaving them for awhile. Are trying to sell some of our elk meat, may get into trouble as we don't know who we can depend on. Got to risk it though as we need the money. Hell of a country, toot hole of the world.

Nov. 22

Still in Blackfoot. There isn't a good pasture in whole damn country. I've been sicker than a dog all day and Army is doing all the rustling. Sold a piece of meat for a dollar and 50 lb. of grain tonight. Red still lame, don't

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know just what we will do yet. Hate to leave horses in this god forsaken country, for that would mean another trip in here and I've got enough of this country. Only redeeming feature is the weather, they don't expect any winter at all until Xmas.

Nov 23

Am writing this by moonlight. Still in Blackfoot, intend to leave in the morning, taking the whole bunch. Red still lame but will pack him. Army sold the rest of our elk meat for \$3.00 today. Have just been on a tour of inspection through a sugar factory, trying to absorb a little knowledge. Would have stayed longer but every floor walker or manager on the job got to asking us if we wanted a job, so we left. Was afraid they might use compulsory methods to put us to work. I haven't done anything that I know of to warrant such punishment, \$2.40 per day and eat yourself for \$1 per day.

Nov 24

Left Blackfoot today. Traded Red and Fidge for a little brown mare and a mean little devil off of the Lost River Desert. Red was so lame on the stifle that he couldn't travel and Fidge had a running sore on her withers. Probably got beaten on the trade except that we can keep on traveling with these and couldn't with the others. Had a can of sardines for Thanksgiving dinner, expect to do better next year.

Nov. 25

Came through Pocatello today. Bum town, everybody broke. A fellow struck Army to get something to eat. Probably took him for a millionaire in disguise. Army had just exactly 50 cents in his pocket. We don't look so nearly broke as we are. Our new "pet" can kick farther than any cayuse I ever saw, and always seem to be trying to establish a new record.

Nov. 26

A typical Weary Willie came along last night. Fixed him a bed and fed him. In the visions which I have over the rest of our grub, I can see the Hon. T. S. and his side kicker A. A. and the picture looks strangely similar to our guest of last night.

Nov. 27

Laid over today, intended to sell a horse or two. Forgot about it being the Holy Sabboth.

Nov. 28

Left all the horses and hit the "pike" last night. Got into Ogden this morning. Nearly froze to death last night until "brakey" found us and he hauled us out, made us dig up and then put us in a better place. Told him we didn't have any money so he took a couple of old jack knives and an elk tooth. We didn't have to stretch the truth very much about not having any money as we have just \$2.60 between us. Could go to work here but want to get farther south. Very pretty place. Would like to stay awhile.

Nov. 29

Still in Ogden

Nov. 30

Came on down to Salt Lake this afternoon. Fine place, saw more girls in one string tonight than I ever

saw before. Were office girls just going from work every blamed one of them good looking. Bumming around taking in the town tonight. May stop and work here awhile.

To be continued in July 2011 Wagon Tongue

Museum Opening The new MVHA museum will open over Memorial Day weekend May 28, 29 and 30 and then open for the 2011 season on June 14. Hours will be 1:00 to 4:00pm. The MVHA will be calling on you to volunteer at the museum so please say yes. For folks who live out of the valley, plan your trips to Ennis and call and let us know when you can volunteer. You will be working in teams of two so you will not be alone and it is fun visiting with the guests from all over and catching up on Madison Valley History in the quiet times.

The construction of the Otto Coss/W.S. Angle black smith shop will start in early May and this addition will help a lot in adding to the display space. It is not too late to make a donation toward the blacksmith shop if you have not done so already. Every dollar helps and as we have said over the years "We are building this museum one dollar at a time."

The Walk of Names continues and if you still want to honor your family or give a memorial to departed family members, just request an application or better yet, just write the name/names as you want them to appear on the board and mail that and \$50 to MVHA, P.O. Box 474, Ennis, MT 59729.

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High Winds Whip Snow Into Worst Blockade of Winter

Temperatures moderated this week, bringing some relief after a two months cold spell, but high winds prevailing throughout this section have whipped the prolonged winter's accumulation of snow into the worst blockade of the season.

Ennis and the Madison Valley had been without highway communications yesterday. since Sunday, except momentarily Wednesday when the road to Norris was opened by snow equipment only to fill in again within a brief period.

Ennis mail piled up at the Virginia City post office, as the best efforts of county and state equipment failed to break the blockade which had existed on the Madison Valley side of the Virginia City-Ennis hill since Sunday. County Commissioner Chas. E. M. Bauer of Ennis was unable to attend the board's regular February session here this week, although he kept in telephone communication with his fellow commissioners, W. H. McKenzie of Alder and John W. Lasich of Twin Bridges.

Neither county nor state crews engaged in battling the mounting snow drifts would predict when the Ennis blockade might be relieved. High winds continued to whip the afflicted area yesterday, undoing in minutes what had cost the laboring crews hours to accomplish. *Madisonian* Friday, February 11, 1949 Article provided by Carol Hacker of Alder.

For Your Reading Pleasure

Montana Place Names From Alzada to Zortman A

Montana Historical Society Guide by the Montana Historical Society Research Guide. This book explores the origins of more than 1,200 place names, including entries describing town and cities, geographic features, parks and battle field, properties on the National Register of Historic Places and more.

Available from the Montana Historical Society in Helena

Looking Ahead

May 19, 2011 MVHA Annual meeting. Potluck dinner at Trinity Church in Jeffers at 5:00pm. Program will be Zoe Ann Stoltz with Branded! Brands and brand histories offer a wonderful glance into our past. You will be called or e mailed as to what potluck item to bring.

June 16, 2011 MVHA monthly meeting at 4:00pm at the downstairs meeting room at the First Madison Valley Bank. Program will be Gary Forney with his latest book It Takes All Kinds which was the book started by Dick Pace and finished by Gary.

July will be a field trip to be announced. Watch the Madisonian and you will be called or e mailed.

Montana Trivia Only room for one this month.



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Meetings held monthly on the **third** Thursday of each month. Watch Madisonian for details of time and place and program. (Note the change from 2nd to 3rd Thursday)

Board Meetings are held the **1st** Wednesday of each month 10:00 am at First Madison Bank conference room Oct. to April and at Museum MVHA Office May to Sept.

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