NEW MEETING DATE
Due to scheduling problems, the monthly meeting date has been changed to the second Thursday of the month. The time will remain at 7:00 P.M. and the meeting will be in the small meeting room of the Missoula Public Library (down the hall to the right of the main entrance) unless otherwise noted.

OCTOBER MEETING
The October meeting of the Western Montana Genealogical Society (WMGS) will be on Thursday, October 12th, 7:00 p.m. in the Montana Room of the Missoula Public Library. Following the business meeting, Don Spritzer, reference librarian with the Missoula Public Library, will talk about the genealogical sources available in the Montana Room of the Missoula Public Library. After the talk we will be able to take a look at some of the books. Since this meeting will be in the Montana Room, no refreshments will be served this month.

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Program: open

IN THE MAIL THIS MONTH
The Montana State Genealogical Society is going to publish a cookbook as a fund raiser. The book will feature recipes handed down by our ancestors. If you have a recipe that you would like to see include in this cookbook please bring a legible copy of it and a short history of the recipe to the next meeting. You can also mail your recipes to Florance Wagstaff, P.O. Box 823, Billings MT 59103.

The Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County, MI. Inc., P.O. Box 7155, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-7155, announces the reprint of Charles C. Chapman's 1881 History of Washtenaw County, Michigan. Prepublication price is $75.00 (until 31 Oct. 1990, $85.00 after), with $5.00 p&h for the two volume set. Send orders to the society by T. Liskow, treasurer.

National Genealogical Society Quarterly, Sept. 1990. Would you have searched for the surname OWERTON under HOWERTON? Take a look at an interesting article by Thomas W. Jones on p.169 of this issue!

The PANGBURN LETTER, Sept. 1990.

Gallatin Trails, Aug. 1990, vol.11, no.4. Index to Vol.11.

The Last Leaf, vol.1, nos.1 & 2. This is the publication of the new Dawson County Tree Branches genealogy society.

Bit O’ Roots, vol.3, no.1, by the Bitterroot Genealogy Society, P.O. Box 1290, Hamilton, MT 59840. Their next meeting will be Oct. 24th at 1:00 P.M., Council for Aging Room, Hamilton Courthouse. The program by Marion Gebhart is to feature ideas and materials to help you do independent research based on data obtained from group study in Salt Lake City. Materials such as migration trails and annual books of morticians of U.S. will be presented and discussed.


1900 Federal Census Index, Fergus County, Montana, comp. by the Lewistown Genealogy Society. R929.3786 NINETEEN#GenColl.

1910 Federal Census Index, Fergus County, Montana, comp. by the Lewistown Genealogy Society. R929.3786 NINETEEN#GenColl.

Liberty County Homesteader Names, comp. by Marilyn H. Brown. R929.3766 BROWN#GenColl.

Earliest Marriages of Missoula County, Montana, 1863-1902, comp. by members of the Bitterroot Chapter, N.S.D.A.R. R929.3786 EARLIES#GenColl.


Lolo Creek Reflections. R978.6 LOLO#GenColl.


Names of the Face of Montana, by Roberta Carkeek Cheney. R978.6 CHENey 1983#GenColl, MontColl.

Echoes from the Prairies. History of North Toole County. R978.6 ECHOES#GenColl.

Our Times, Our Lives; Dawson County, Montana. R978.624 DAWSON#GenColl.


[Index to] 1870 Montana Census, Cedar Creek Mines; [Index to] 1880 Montana Census, Dist. 92, comp. by Catherine J. Strombo. R978.689 MONTANA#GenColl.


Ravalli County 1910 U.S. Census [Index]. R978.689 RAVALLI#GenColl.


Kalispell Weekly News Vital Records Index, comp. by Paulette K. Parpart. In card form #MontColl. 1982-

Hungry Horse News Vital Records Index, comp. by Paulette K. Parpart. In card form #MontColl 1982-.

A Preliminary Index to Biographies in Montana Subscription Histories and Other Selected Works, comp. by the Montana Historical Society. R928.0786 PRELIMINARY#Ref. (also referred to as the "Mug Book Index"

History of Montana, by Burlingame and Toole. R978.6 BURLING#GenColl.

Encyclopedia of Northwest Biography. R928 ENCYCLO#MontColl.
Illustrated History of Yellowstone Valley. R978.6 ILLUSTR@MontColl.

An Illustrated History of Montana, by Joaquin Miller [Cincinnatus Heine Miller]. R978.6 MILLER@GenColl, MontColl.

Men of Affairs: a Newspaper Reference Work. OVERSIZE R920 BUTTE@GenColl.

History of Montana, 1739-1885, by Leeson. R978.6 LEESON@GenColl, MontColl.

Montana: the Land and the People, by Robert George Raymer. R978.6 RAYMER@GenColl, MontColl.

Progressive Men of Montana. R978.6 PROGRESS@GenColl.

Montana, Its Story and Biography, by Tom Stout. R978.6 STOUT@GenColl, MontColl.

A History of Montana, by Helen Fitzgerald Sanders. R978.6 SANDERS@MontColl.

ALSO IN THE MISSOULA PUBLIC LIBRARY:
The Genealogical Collection has many of the states' genealogical newsletters. They are shelved at the end of the genealogical books. These bulletins contain a lot of research material. Some of them have annual indexes, but most are not accumulated indexes. The Western Montana Genealogical Society Bulletin is shelved in the Montana Magazines. There is an index in the works, but it is not yet completed.

Polk's City Directories are filed in the Montana Room and are requested very often and are a very valuable source (1903, 1907- about every other year to present).

The Missoula County Cemeteries File is now in the magazine storage area.

INFORMATION AND RULES:
1. Each person listed in the Missoula County Cemetery has a sheet. The sheets are files chronologically. The guide sheet to each number is found in the front of the index.
2. To obtain sheet, get death date from the Index, have librarian pull sheet from the file.
3. Photocopying is allowed, but SHEET MUST BE RETURNED TO THE FILE—it is the only copy!!!!
4. Color coding on the sheets is very helpful. Tombstone information (black), cemetery records data (blue), obituary information (red), mortuary files (green), church records (orange), official government record (purple) can tell you what information can be found.
5. This project is NOT complete. Not all sources have been searched. A second edition will be published when these sources have been consulted.

If you are doing research in Montana and your ancestor may have owned livestock, be sure to check the Brand's Book. This is located in the Montana area of the Mansfield Library, University of Montana. Check the card catalogue for call numbers.

Just in from the National Archives -- (MICROFILM RESOURCES FOR RESEARCH; A Comprehensive Catalogue), lists more than 2000 microfilm publications available from the National Archives. Gives a good idea of the extent of the records available.