



Park County Historical Society

Quarterly Newsletter - February 2016

Letter from the President

As always, a huge thank you to Yvonne Garrison for continuing to publish and email all the Park County Historical Society members our Newsletters. She does a magnificent job and is deeply appreciated. I'm hoping one day she will become a PCHS Director.



2015 was a fun and profitable year. Christie Wright was our first speaker on March 14th. Her topic, of which she is quite knowledgeable, was about "Robbers and Murderers in Park County". Christie is now a Director/Curator for the PCHS.

April 11th, Dr Peter Modreski, a Geochemist and Geologic Specialist, was our speaker on the geology of Park County. There was also a field trip in May of which Pat Mauro and Jim Glenn organized.



Our May 12th presentation was snowed out so we rescheduled Gary Higgins and Jackie Powell on September 12th to educate us on the history of the Snowstorm Dredge located in Fairplay/Alma.

Bailey Day, on June 27th, was a hoot! There were roughly 300 visitors at the Park that day. Jim and Sue Glenn, with the help of the Girls and Boys Club, sold a lot of hot dogs! The hot dogs were mostly donated by Jim Sapp. Allen McGlone eagerly gave folks the history of the Wren Cabin; Rex Rideout was in the Entriken

Cabin playing music on his fiddle; Margaret Jaeger was in the School House doing spinning wheel demonstrations; our daughter, Raquel, had a booth selling Cub Scout survivor bracelets and Origami Owl Jewelry; and Linda Watson manned our store in the School House. Bailey Day in 2016 will also be exciting. Jim Glenn will have a booth and sell hot dogs again; Allen McGlone will be in the Wren; John Redmond will be in the Entriken portraying Father Dyer; Margaret Jaeger will be in the School House; Cody Harris will also be in the school House doing presentations on old time "Edison phonograph cylinder recordings". We're going to suggest John Redmond have 20 minutes on stage in town to talk about Father Dyer and the Entriken cabin.

Hartsel Days (August 1st and 2nd) was quite successful and we are planning to have a booth again this summer. We are also planning at least two dinner/history presentations in Hartsel. They will be posted on Pinecam and in the Flume.



John Redmond (aka Father Dyer) was our guest speaker on October 17th. He portrayed Pastor Sheldon Jackson, another well known figure from South Park. Clyde Johnson said, for him, it was the best presentation we've ever had.



Rex Rideout honored us with his presence once again on November 21st and sang saloon style music.



1-Derful Roofing reroofed the Way Station last fall, free of charge to the PCHS, so I now try to send business owner Ron.



We had a brass plaque made to honor Harold Warren, founder of the Park County Historical Society in 1969. It was cemented into the ground by the blue spruce tree that was planted in his honor.

We are getting a ton of compliments on how wonderful McGraw Memorial Park looks. The manicured lawn and flowers bring in a lot of new visitors. Thank you again to all who are making this happen.

2016 is shaping up. The Entriken cabin will be bat proofed and cleaned so we can have it open more often this summer. When time and weather allows, Allen McGlone is working on the Wren cabin. A couple of his projects are to install new windows and bat proof the cabin. Mike Caton is doing a lot of landscaping using boulders and flagstone. When it's complete, it will be a nice attraction to the Park.

To all our members, thank you for supporting the Park County Historical Society! And thank you Board members for all your hard work! You are all greatly appreciated.

Karen Christenson

Proudly, President of the Park County Historical Society

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Hello to all our Historical Society Members. Just a quick rundown on 2015. McGraw Memorial Park is getting a beautification thanks to volunteers, so stop by and walk around. We have been very fortunate with each monthly dinner and guest speaker and are receiving rave reviews and making money for our Society.

2016 is looking very promising since we are planning to reach out to the western most part of Park County and have several guest speakers and dinners lined up in Hartsel at the Community Center. They have been gracious and offer their Center to have us expand to their location. We hope to have a guest speaker who knows the Fairplay Valiton Hotel intimately and all the GHOSTS that live there. There is a huge amount of history on this side of our County and we are tapping into these resources. We also plan to put up our booth again at Hartsel Days, as we did in 2015. This was exciting to us as well as welcomed by all.

Hope you stay safe and warm until we meet again this spring. Have a wonderful 2016

*Thank You
Vice President
Linda Watson*

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My favorite non-profit

by Jim Glenn

Why is McGraw Park my favorite?

When friends came to visit our cabin, we searched for things to do close-by in the town of Bailey but newspapers and magazines only told us to **go do things somewhere else**. The ads and articles said, “Go to Breckenridge, go to Evergreen or Fairplay”. So I spent time searching for interesting things in Bailey and got ideas from Diane Glover, Jerry Humphrey and Jim Sapp. One place they suggested I check out was McGraw Park and the Park County Historical Society. I remember visiting a dusty, lonely park back in 2007 and walking across a railroad bridge with rotted wood that creaked and cracked as I walked across. Then I heard about a trail being built on Morrow Mountain on the hill across that bridge and we helped them several times along with several other groups, including the Colorado Mountain Club, Volunteers for America and even my Colorado State Forest Service pals.



Douglas Stephens showing off a set of stairs



Sue Glenn finishing a path



The Colorado Mountain Club built these stairs on Morrow Mountain Trail

Each year we saw more improvements at McGraw Park. **Those improvements motivated us to come back more often**, meet others at the park and help with more projects. Lots of folks now are asking to help improve Bailey's own park right on the Platte River but something happened six years ago that really got the ball rolling.

Sometimes one person can make a difference in a town that ripples for years:

The person in this case was Susan Lambert. Susan Lambert, her husband Wayne and the members of Destination Bailey, a part of the Platte Canyon Chamber of Commerce, came up with an idea to improve McGraw Park and approached Pat Mauro, who was the president of the Park County Historical Society. Pat liked the idea so Susan Lambert looked for funding to add public bathrooms at the park. The plan also installed new decking across the Keystone Bridge, added flagstone paths, information signs, a kayak launch and two miles of trails on Morrow Mountain.

But after these improvements were finished it didn't stop there. Susan Lambert's idea still reverberates with volunteers who come to help – even those that don't know what she did. What she started has improved the town of Bailey and motivated others to offer their help too.

Susan Lambert as an individual has had a positive impact on all of us in Bailey.

It's great to have folks like that.



Susan Lambert

But the volunteers didn't stop.
Here are just some of the other volunteer projects that have improved McGraw Park since then.



The group Bailey Trails renovated the River Walk Trail, then Pinecamers donated two benches.

1-derfull Roofing donated labor to
replace the roof of the Glen-Isle Way
Station



Volunteers created a bridge at a shady
area near Crow Creek for a picnic table
and bench.

Kids like to play here.

Right: Marilyn Boccuzzi has added annuals to planters for years. Jane and Jerry Burke, Linda Henley and Linda Wood have also given their time for years at the park.

Below: Volunteers add more perennials and the gardens get bigger each year at McGraw.



Left: Dan Hughes, Jim Glenn & Larry, Keriba and Solomon Blattel finished a path between Crow Creek Bridge and the Annex.

Below: Pat Mauro leads tours of the caboose and teaches kids railroad history. Susan Lambert approached Pat Mauro when he was president of the Park County Historical Society with the idea to propose a grant for McGraw Park.





Above: Allen McGlone is fixing up the Wren Cabin which was built by his father, Dolly McGlone.

Right: Craig & Karen Christenson at the Entriken Cabin – one of the first cabins in Bailey and the gem of McGraw Park.

Karen Christenson organizes history presentations and fundraising dinners to support the work at McGraw Park and is the current president of the Park County Historical Society. Karen's fundraising pays for our programs.



Left: The Flume published an article about the dedication of a plaque, memorial tree and flagstone path honoring Harold Warren, the first president of the Park County Historical Society.

Future project:
Local Boy Scouts plan to extend the flagstone path next spring as an Eagle Scout project.

Future plans:

Volunteer and director Craig Christenson designed plans to re-organize the McGraw Park Annex to display photos, history and artifacts and to move toward our goal of having a history museum.



One big future goal:

Save the Barnett Cabin – also one of the oldest in Bailey.
If we wait too long . . .

It will collapse.

More info?
www.ParkCountyHistory.com



**Photos of Entriken Cabin being moved to McGraw Park
& dedication after move is complete**
scans from Glenda Marshall scrapbook
assembled by Jim Glenn and Christie Wright, Curators



Entriken Cabin in original location



Front door, porch & overhang on the lean-to



East end of added lean-to
(not original to cabin)



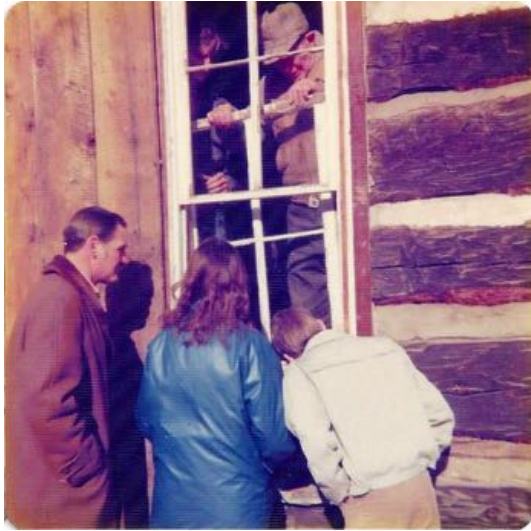
Lean-to removed prior to moving
Entriken Cabin



About to raise flag at dedication



Flag raised and Scouts saluting



Do you recognize anyone?



Richard Price holding ladder

Workday at McGraw Park 1984



Left to right: 3rd from left is Bill Simmons, Clarence Marshall to right of Bill Do you recognize anyone else?

Picnic after the workday at McGraw Park 1984



Clarence Marshall on right in foreground, Harold Warren standing at far end of table



Libby Everhart in red top. Do you recognize anyone else in the photo from 1984?



Glenda Marshall and Jess Fitzimmons
circa 1994



Possibly Jess Fitzimmons grading road into
McGraw Park during move of Entriken Cabin

Photos of Caboose being moved to McGraw Park scans from Glenda Marshall scrapbook



Train wheelsets (aka truck or bogie) lifted off flatbed



Crane setting train wheelsets onto track in McGraw



Crane lifting the caboose onto the wheels



Caboose in McGraw Park



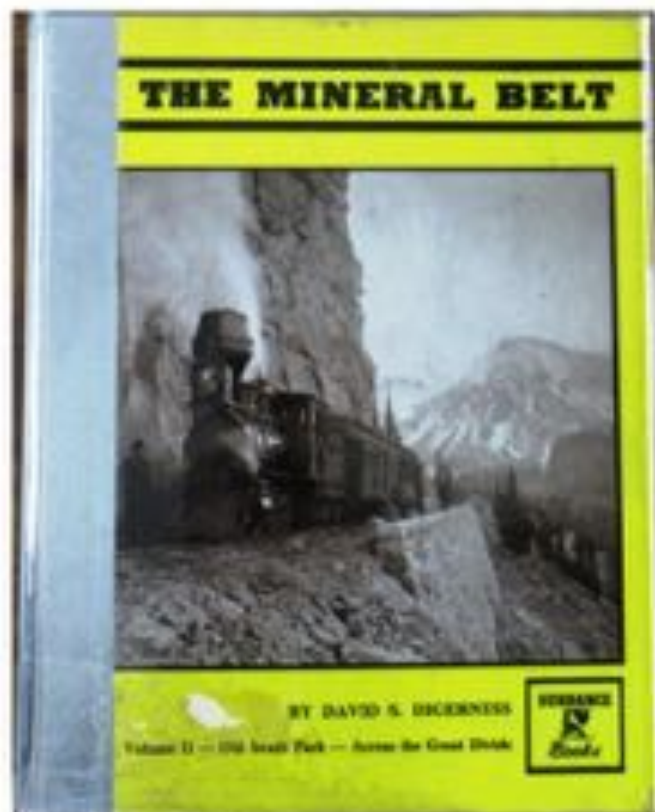
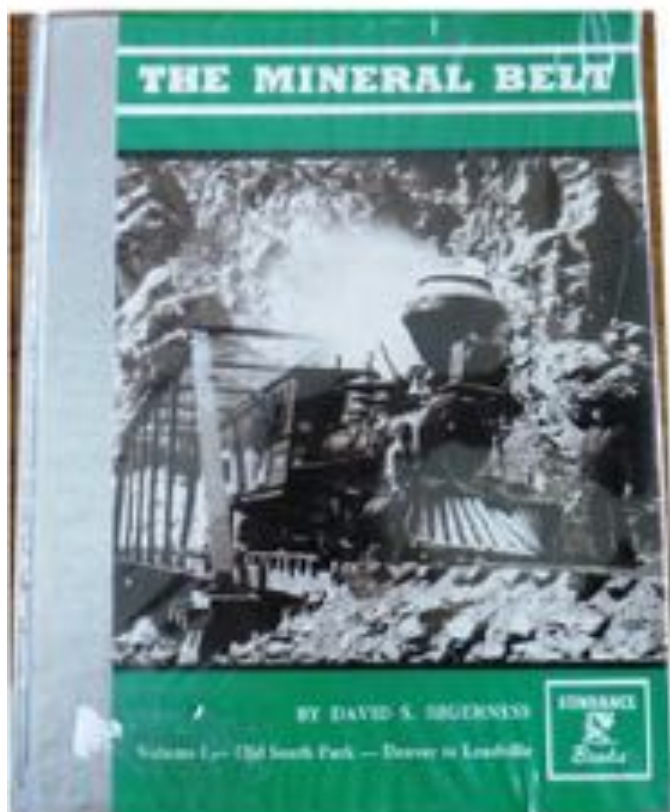
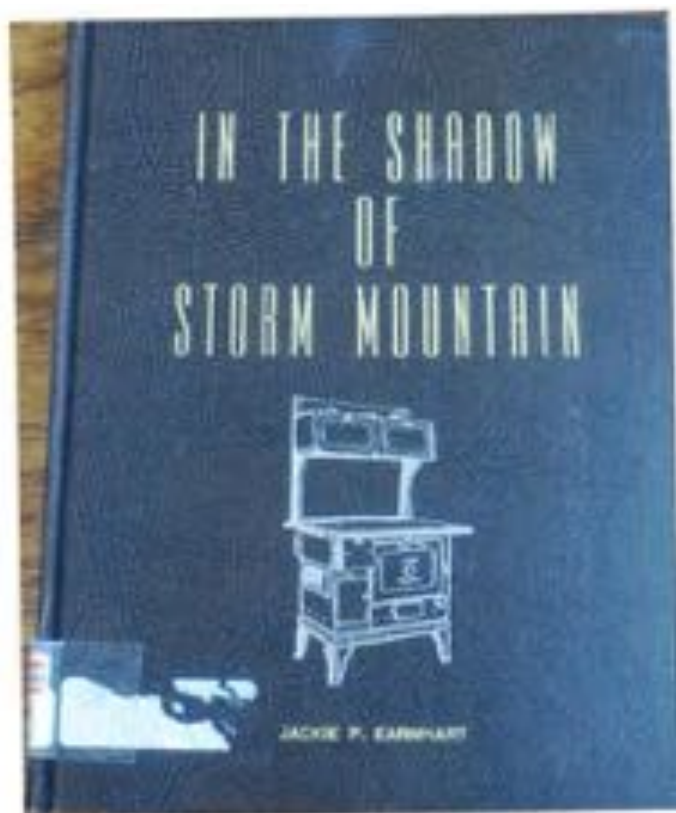
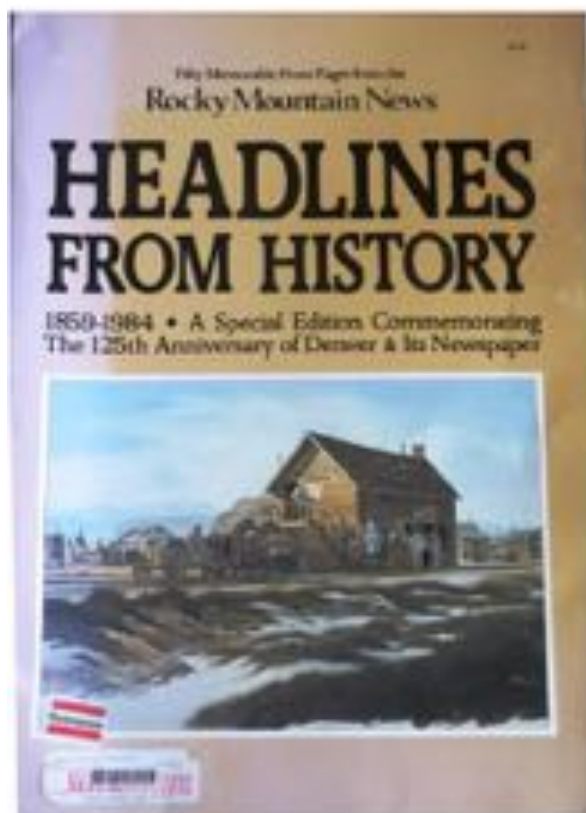
Glenda and Clarence Marshall with two nephews at the caboose



Photo gathered by Jim Glenn and Christie Wright, Curators

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Books, notebooks, Colorado Heritage Magazines & booklets donated to Park County Historical Society by the Platte Canyon High School Library Manager



Notebooks



Cover of Mr. Warren's Historical Notations



First form filled out inside Mr. Warren's Notebook



Park County Data Book

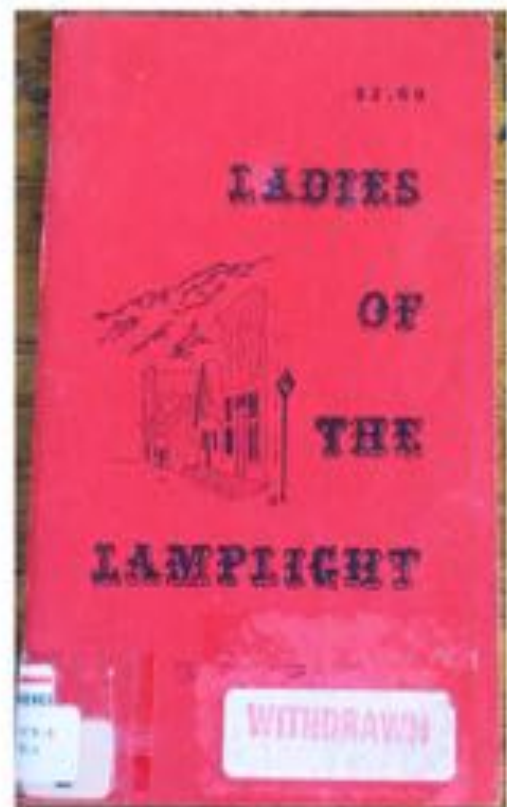
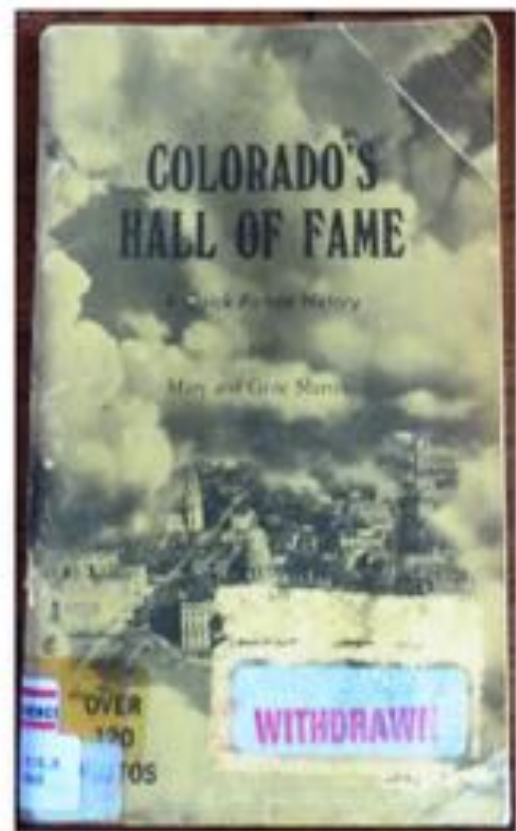
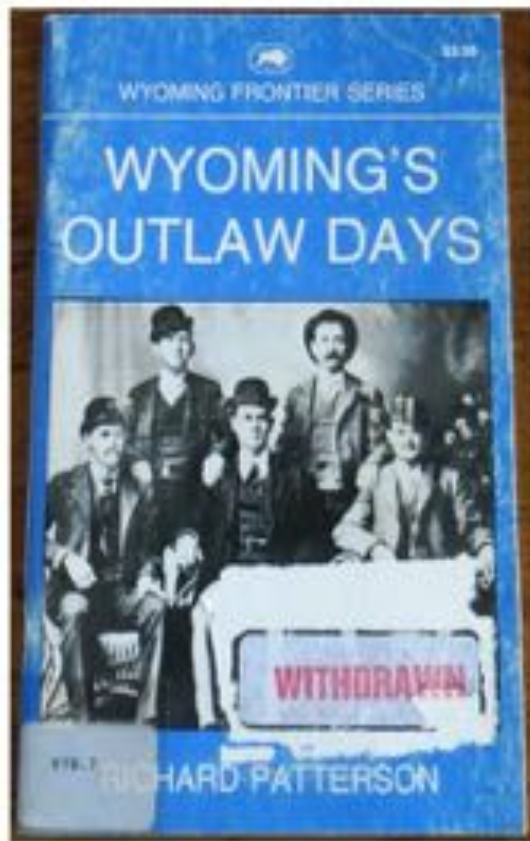


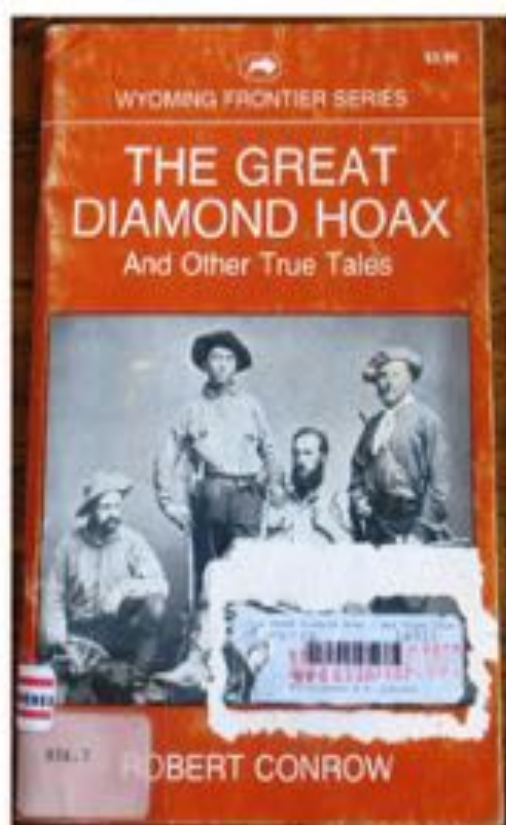
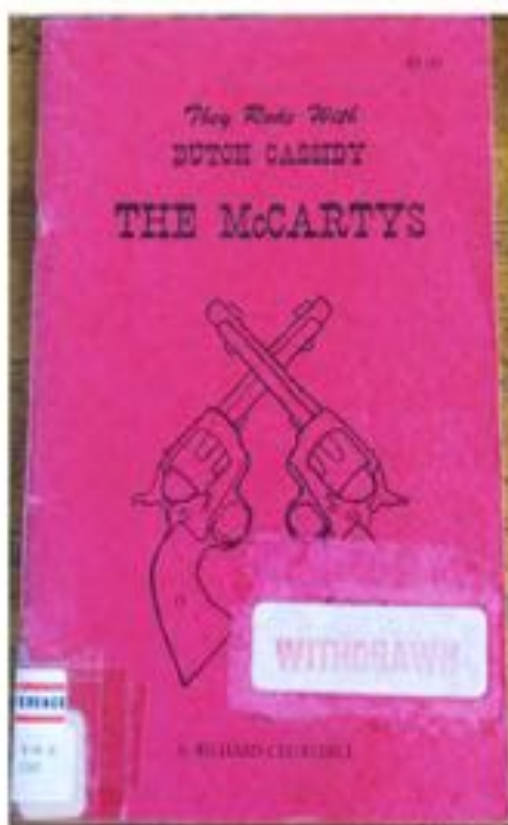
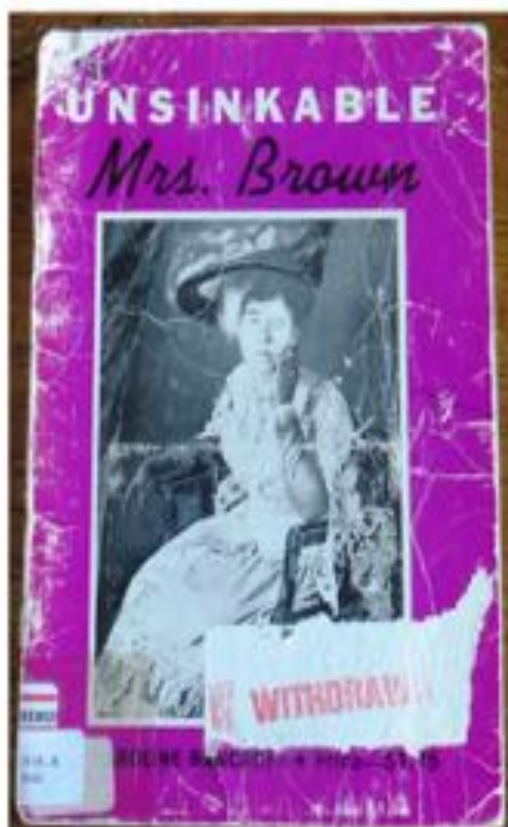
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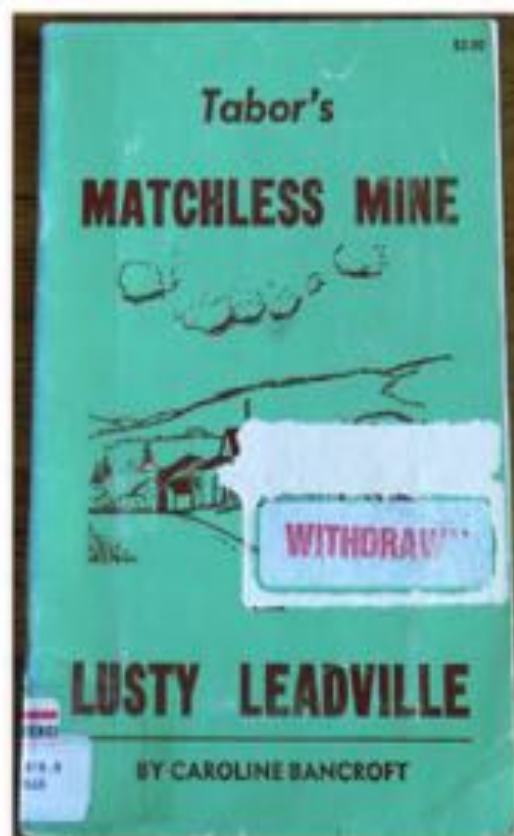
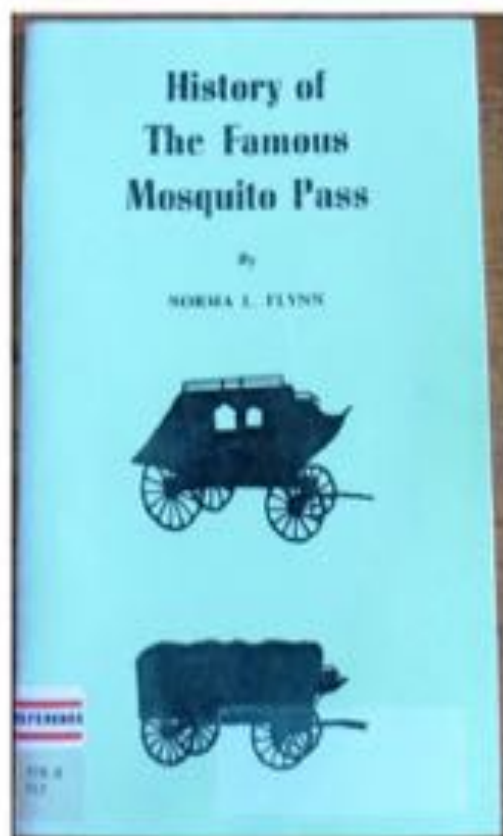
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☐ McGraw Memorial Park
 _____ Host
 _____ Maintain
 _____ Help with collections
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☐ Membership
☐ Historic Preservation
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☐ Staff Support

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