



# Missoula City Cemetery

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## Stories and Stones Historical Tour

Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017

12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

One of Missoula's oldest cemeteries presents an afternoon of history brought to life through the stories of individuals from Missoula's past. Come enjoy this vastly popular event for all ages.

Missoula City Cemetery is proud to feature exciting new stories / storytellers for this year's tour:

- \* **Nels Peterson and the Missoula City Band.** Nels Peterson came to Missoula in 1910. He was a sheet metal and tin professional who owned and operated Peterson Sheet Metal Roofing for more than 50 years. But the job he relished for almost half a century was playing the tuba in the Missoula City Band. Come listen to his story and learn the history of the Missoula City Band as told by the current band director, Gary Gillett. This community band, formed in 1900, is the longest standing performing musical ensemble in Missoula history.
- \* **Mary Gleim.** Mary Gleim is Missoula's most infamous madame. She lived a very eventful life and died an extremely wealthy woman from business ventures described as "slightly" on the border of legality. Mary possessed a "little something" on everyone. Legend surrounds the sideways placement of her large monument. Come hear the new version of her story as told by a new re-enactor, Pamela Nation.

Do you know that at the Missoula City Cemetery you will also discover...

- \* What was Missoula originally named and which co-founder was it named after?
- \* Which Missoula teacher was injured as a child after falling into a campfire?
- \* Who was Koro Hatto and what was he known to do?
- \* What happened to a Prohibition special agent?
- \* What were the strict rules of conduct female teachers had to uphold?
- \* Which co-founder saved the life of a Montana governor?
- \* Who was the namesake for the town of Polson?
- \* Which laundress murdered her husband?
- \* Which sheriff supplemented his budget by making moonshine in the jail?
- \* Which two young girls spread the Gospel?
- \* What a cryptic message etched on a cardboard token revealed?
- \* These stories and so much more!

Volunteers will tell 21 stories. Come see individuals dressed in times of old as they capture your imagination by reenacting stories of people of our past. **Admission is FREE!** This event is sponsored through your generous donations.

Contact the cemetery for questions about this event: Mary Ellen Stubb at 552-6070