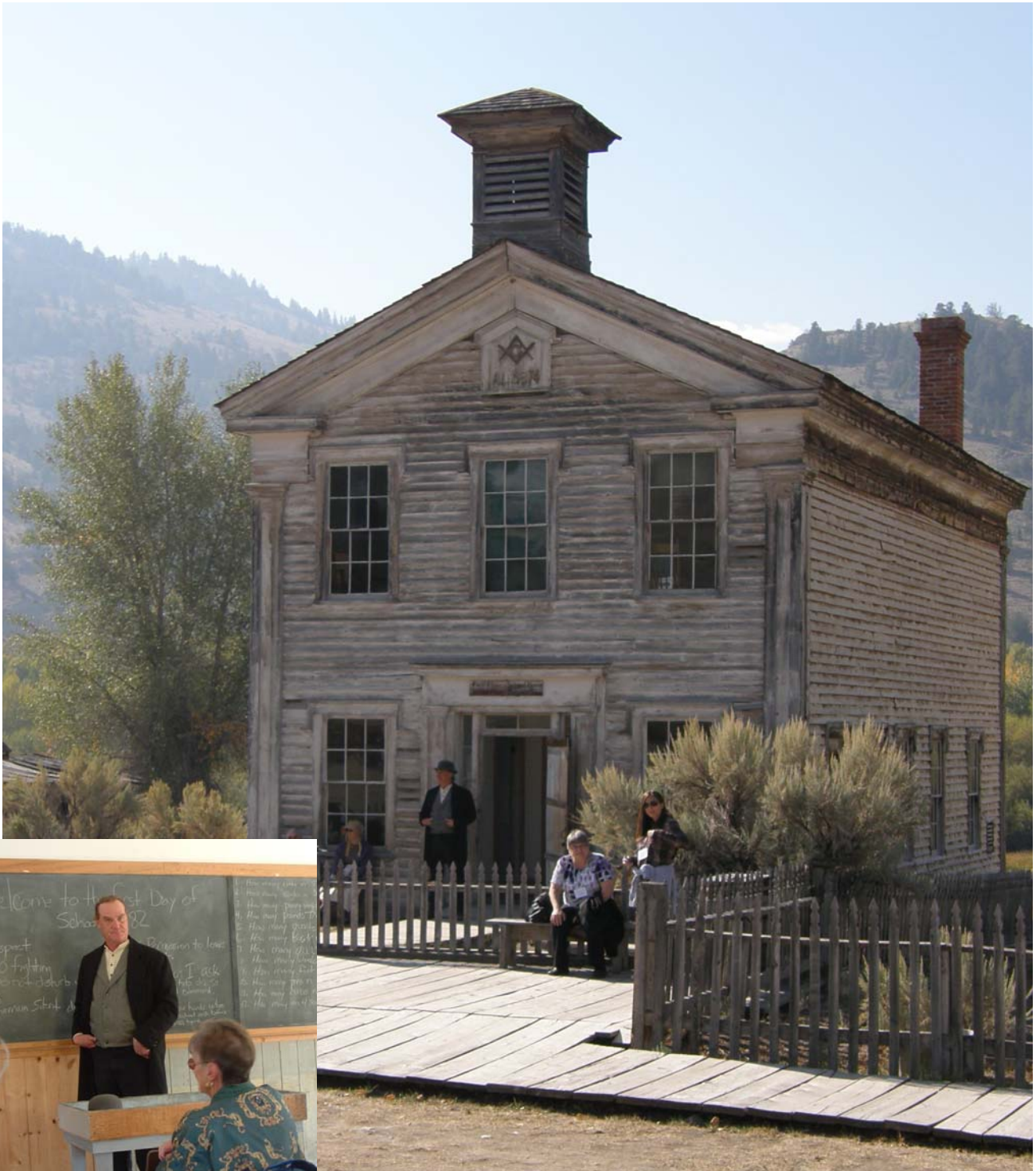




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JOHN PHILLIPS, CALLS HIS 1882 CLASS TO SCHOOL.

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Registration was at the Beaverhead County Museum, in the Old Depot Theatre.....



.....where VERN POMEROY gave an illustrated lecture about the Bryant Mining District with its ghost towns of Glendale, Greenwood, Trapper City, Lion City, Hecla and the charcoal cones at nearby Canyon Creek, to a rapt audience.





On Saturday, we met in Bannack State Park, where we were welcomed by DALE CARLSON, the Park Manager. Afterwards, for those that wanted a tour of the Hendrick Mill, we split into two parties, and for half of us.....

YOUR CHARIOT AWAITS



Our guide for the tours of the Hendrick Mill was MEL HAMILTON



(The second group went in the afternoon)



The mixing vats, where cyanide was added to the crushed ore to make a slurry.



RIGHT: Some ore stamping equipment, left at the mill site.
BELOW: The Assayer's office



Meantime, back in Bannack.....



The Mercantile store was doing a roaring business, at 1862 prices!



Skinner's saloon was also busy, but we got a little nervous when our Treasurer, Loretta, took out our check book as she was being instructed in the game of Monte!



At the Masonic Hall, Masons still meet there, whilst downstairs, John Phillips deals with an unruly class.



The Ladies of Bannack





They're still panning for gold in Grasshopper Creek. ABOVE, they have a small sluice and a rocker in operation, whilst, on the RIGHT old fashioned panning.



YUREKA!!! I've got some.....



.....GOLD!



ABOVE: Using the sluice box



BANQUET, 2012



All the door prizes and other 'Give aways' that DON & DARLA BLACK had gathered. Everyone walked away with at least one prize.



Our guest speaker, TOM SATTERLY, entertains the crowd with his harmonica playing.



Our President, TERRY HALDEN bores the crowd with his annual general report.

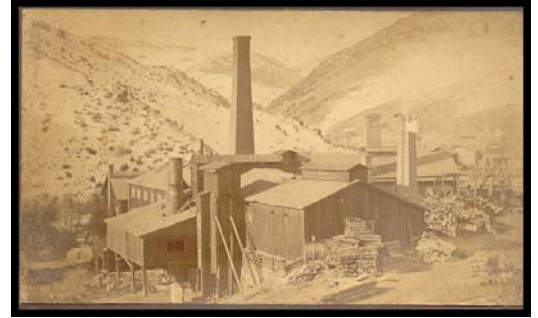


The Sunday Trip to the Bryant Mining District



Meeting with Vern Pomeroy, it started with a visit to the Glendale cemetery where the gravestone of Hannah Armstrong, the wife of Noah Armstrong, who was largely responsible for the development of the Bryant Mining District is located. She died in 1885 at the age of 43.

We then toured the smelting town of Glendale, greatly assisted by the Glendalemt.com people who had, wherever possible, attached a photo of the building in front of the remnants that we were now viewing.



ABOVE The smelter in its heyday.
Photo, courtesy www.glendalemt.com



Obviously, Cinderella was here at some time.





On to Canyon Creek where the kilns that produced the charcoal for the smelters at Glendale are located.



We get lunch.





ABOVE; White-washed kilns to protect them from the elements.

CENTER: On the hillside behind the kilns can be seen the 'chute' used by the loggers to slide the trees that were cut up on Vipond Park down the mountain side for use in the kilns.

ABOVE RIGHT: Our Membership Chairperson, decides to help with the white-washing project!



On Sunday afternoon, whilst most of us went home, some took to ATVs and visited the upper Trapper Creek area.



ABOVE: Cabin and in background, a boarding house in Hecla.

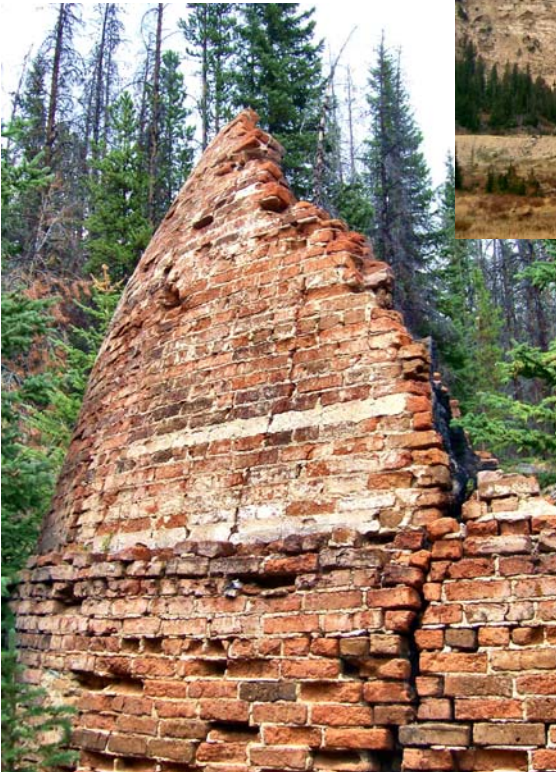
BELOW: one of five kilns at Greenwood.



ABOVE: Remains of the stamp mill at Hecla.

LEFT: Lion Mountain, displaying its scars from mining.

BELOW: Cabins in Lion City



See you next year in Helena