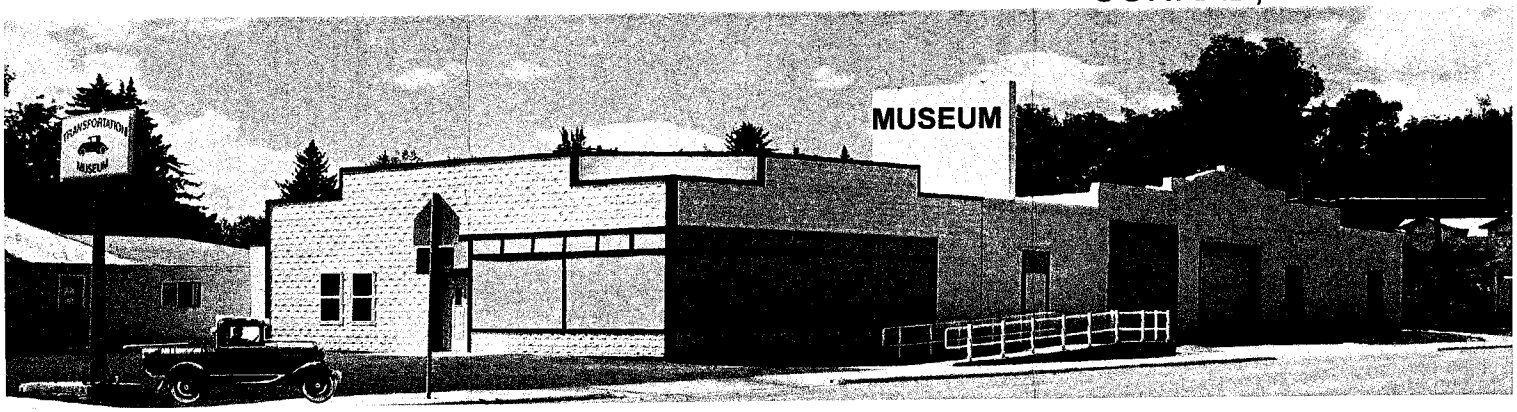
The Museum is located one block West of the traffic light.

402 S. Virginia

PONDERA HISTORY ASSOC. purchased this building in 2000 and opened the doors in 2006.

Transportation and Historical Museum

CONRAD, MONTANA



GIFT SHOP

After visiting our Museum , we invite you to shop our Gift Shop, located just as you entered to your left. We are pleased to have a variety of local crafter's items for sale as well as other items. We have something for everyone..

The building and site began as a brick yard in 1906. It became an auto dealership in the 20's and remained such for 70 years. The building has been restored to have many of it's original attractive features. It is also ADA compliant. The Museum has been a vision of the Pondera History Association for over 40 years. Thanks to the great public support and hard work of our members it is now a reality.

PHA MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to collect and preserve historical vehicles, artifacts, photos, documents, records, newspapers, magazines, and materials in order to provide a learning and historical center for all to enjoy.

Open: Memorial Weekend
Close: Labor Day
Hours: Mon. - Friday
10 AM to 4 PM
Saturdays
1 PM to 4 PM
402 So. Virginia
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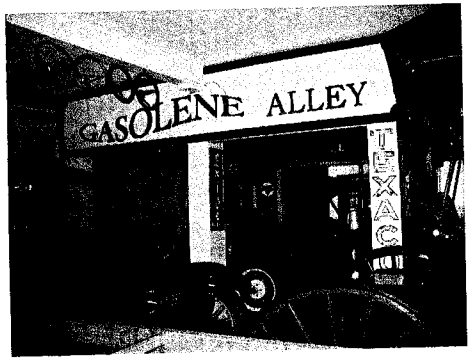
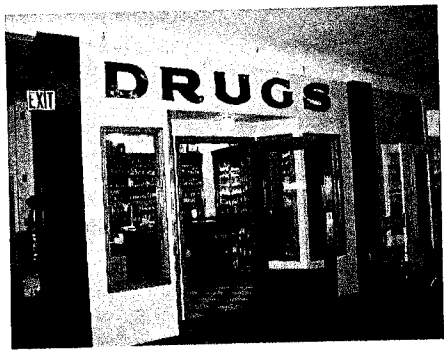
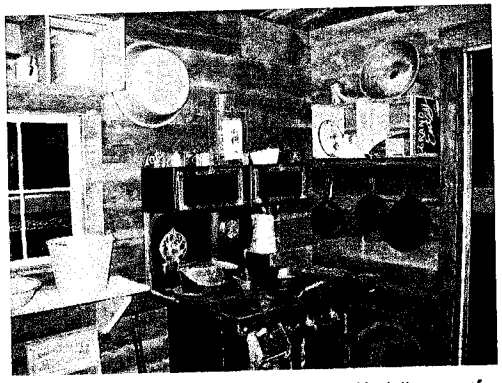


Visit GASOLENE ALLEY and see a wonderful collections of cars, license plates, steering wheels, and lots of memorabilia relating to transportation.



Our DRUG STORE has probably one the most complete collections of old drug bottles that you will see. We have several hundred bottles of prescription drugs dating back as far as the early 1900s. Prescriptions written for "spirits of fermenti" during prohibition are on display. We have a small soda fountain displayed as well as many other drug store items. You can spend hours looking at this display alone.

The GENERAL STORE, THE MUTUAL MERCANTILE CO. is filled with lots of interesting items, one of which is an old cash register that was specially made for J.W. McKnight in 1896. An unusual parquet floor, a calculating store scale, parlor stove, early grocery items, hardware, fabrics, softgoods, cooking utensils, are a few of the additional items you might see here. We have one customer in period clothing shopping there now.



Pioneer HOMESTEAD of the parents of Edna Hostetter, one of PHA's founders. This homestead was disassembled, moved to the museum and reassembled. Inside the homestead are many artifacts including a Majestic Stove, Spinning Wheel, Wrought Iron bed complete with feather mattress and quilt, and many more items of interest.

Our transportation display starts with a 1904 Horseless Carriage and evolves into a collection of up to ten cars of various makes and vintages. This displays changes from time to time so you might see different cars each time you visit.

Everyone saved their old tools, many of which were their favorites. The BLACKSMITH SHOP provides a home for these tools. As well as the tools you will find a vintage; vise, forge, grindstone, anvil, tack saddle, post drill, and the usual horse collars, bits and bridles.