The October Lecture Series is sponsored by the Friends of the Montana Historical Society as their primary annual fundraiser. Programs are held on Wednesdays at noon in the MTHS lobby. Lectures are $5.00 each. Brown-bag lunches welcome.

**Wednesday, October 5, 12:00 p.m.**  
*A Gentlewoman’s View of Butte in the 1880s: Josephine White Bates’s novel, A Blind Lead*  
With Aaron Parrett  
University of Providence English professor Aaron Parrett examines what may be considered Montana's first novel. Bates lived in Butte when it was a silver-mining camp, before the transition to large-scale copper mining, and described life in the fictionalized city of Colusa. Her work serves as a capitalist morality tale, but also offers a unique perspective of Butte before its boom.

**Wednesday, October 12, 12:00 p.m.**  
*A Photographic Journey to Wonderland: F. Jay Haynes and His Photographic Legacy*  
With Jeff Malcomson  
F. Jay Haynes tenaciously pursued photographic excellence and financial success in his long, and illustrious career. MTHS Photo Archives Manager Jeff Malcomson will explore Haynes’ photographs of Yellowstone in the 1880s, uncovering what they reveal about the complex human relationship to the landscape.

**Wednesday, October 19, 12:00 p.m.**  
*In Celebration*  
Talk and book signing with Dorothy Bradley  
Dorothy Bradley’s lifelong commitment to Love, Beauty, Hope, and Heart is infused throughout this collection of short essays and reminiscences. A former Montana State Representative and past candidate for governor, Bradley provides an insider’s look at Montana politics in the twentieth century, along with her personal reflections on public service. She will be joined by her editor and friend Rae Olsen.

**Wednesday, October 26, 12:00 p.m.**  
*Cowboy Stories and Songs*  
With Phil Page  
Let singer, songwriter, storyteller, working cowboy, and saddle maker Phil Page take you on a journey back to the time when early cattle drives from Texas to Montana supplied beef to the goldfields. Join us for a fun hour of music, history, and laughter.

For more information on the Friends Lecture Series, contact Katie White at 406-444-9553 or kwhite@mt.gov.

**NOTE** – Seating is first come, first serve, and is limited to 60 people. Call or email Katie to reserve a spot in the lobby and get your name on the list. Arriving at least ten minutes early is recommended.