



Board Walk, Virginia City, Montana

Virginia City, typical pioneer gold mining camp of Montana Territory, exploded into being in 1863 when Bill Fairweather and five partners struck pay dirt in Alder Gulch and got colors in the pan that looked as though King Midas had sifted the gravel through his fingers. In no time at all this colorful frontier town became the metropolis and capital of the Territory. It seethed with activity, glamour, virtue and vice until Vigilantes overtook road agents with informal justice and all organized crime was literally suspended.

After placer mining subsided, Virginia City drowsed and dreamed of past glory and excitement. But recently the historic old town has taken on new vigor and allure. Modern visitors, and they are legion, drive in on State Highway 34 and find that they can live in an authentic atmosphere of the old West come to life. They can visit the general store, the dressmaker's shop, the Wells Fargo Express office, the livery stable, the old barber shop, the oldest Montana brewery, and the nationally known Memorial Museum.

Thursday nights at the Wells Fargo Coffee House the renowned Virginia City Players entertain with a cabaret show at the Smorgasbord Dinner (reservations needed). All other nights during the summer season, this professional theatrical troupe features 19th Century Drama at the Virginia City Playhouse.

FAMOUS VIRGINIA CITY PLAYERS

Weekly Schedule JUNE 10th THRU LABOR DAY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednes.	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Chuck Wagon Supper IN DAYLIGHT VILLAGE  SPECIAL TREAT NIGHT	 A REAL OLD MELODRAMA AT THE Playhouse	M E L O D R A M A	SMORGASBORD DINNER with Cabaret Show WELLS FARGO COFFEE HOUSE ALSO FAMILY NIGHT AT THE BALE OF HAY	M E L O D R A M A In The OLD SQUARED	The Bale of Hay Varieties & Square Dance at the PLAYHOUSE	 Matinee VARIETY SHOW Evening MELODRAMA at the Playhouse 

Bale of Hay Varieties



Fairweather Inn — Registration Headquarters

This summer, in cooperation with the Virginia City Players, the University of Montana again is sponsoring accredited courses in 19th Century Drama.

The Shuttlecraft Guild, internationally known hand weaving institution, has picked Virginia City as its year-round headquarters, and is now permanently located there.

An added feature this summer, from July 16th thru August 3rd, is a pottery workshop for adults, sponsored by the Regional Arts Roundup of Montana State University, under the direction of Thelma Chase.

Virginia City is only a 20-minute drive from two famous trout streams—the Madison and Ruby Rivers.



Make Virginia City, Montana, a must on your itinerary. It is the greatest opportunity in the present West to see and be a part of the old West where men were men and women were scarce.

The Fairweather Inn, with its wonderful combination of early day decor and modern convenience, is registration and information center for all visitors. Spacious, comfortable, modern cabins are also available and excellent meals are served at the Wells Fargo Coffee House.

Phone Virginia City 68 for hotel or cabin reservations.



Bale of Hay Saloon