

Building Timeline

1891

Missoula Publishing Company/Gazette

1909–1921

*Koopman +
Wissbrod*

1927–1928

*Mrs. Mattie Pickens
Boarding House at
117 W Main*

1927–1928

*F.B. Pott Barber &
Falstaff Cafe at 121
W Main*

ORIGIN

*The building was
constructed in 1891.*

1902–1905

The Missoulian

1921–1926

*Fred Wissbrod
Meats*

1927–1928

*Moe & Jette
Barbershop at 119 W
Main*

1929–1933

*Mattie Fitzgibbons
(Pickens) Boarding
House at 117 W Main*

Building Timeline

1929–1933

*Falstaff Cafe at 121
W Main*

1934

*Mattie Fitzgibbons
Boarding House at
117 W Main*

1934

*Falstaff Cafe at 121
W Main*

1936–1938

*Falstaff Cafe at 121
W Main*

1929–1933

*O.K. Barbershop at
119 W Main*

1929–1933

*Pioneer Barbershop
at 121 W Main*

1934

*O.K. Barbershop at
119 W Main*

1936–1938

*Uptown Cafe
(Cocktail Lounge) at
117 W Main*

1940–1941

*The Derby Liquors at
117 W Main*

Building Timeline

1943

*Murrill's Cocktail
Lounge at 119 W
Main*

1945

*Murrill's Cocktail
Lounge at 119 W
Main*

1947–1953

*Murrill's Cocktail
Lounge at 119 W
Main*

1955

*Hartsell's Bar &
Lounge at 119 W
Main*

1940–1941

*Nash & Kilburn Bar
at 121 W Main*

1943

*Nash Bar at 121 W
Main*

1945

*Falstaff Bar at 121 W
Main*

1947–1953

*The Flame at 121 W
Main*

1955

*The Flame at 121 W
Main*

Building Timeline

1956–1965

*The Flame at 121 W
Main*

1966–1969

*The Flame at 121 W
Main*

1981–1982

*Chuck's Lounge at
119 W Main*

1985–2003

*Jay's Bar at 119 W
Main*

1956–1965

*The Fritz Bar &
Lounge at 119 W
Main*

1966–1969

*Jerry's Lounge at 119
W Main*

1970–1980

*Chuck's Lounge at
119 W Main*

1983–1985

*Corky's Bar & Lounge
at 119 W Main*

21st Century

*Dance Collective,
The Loft,
Headwaters!*

1902-1905

The Missoulian

In 1902, the Missoulian Publishing Company was formed, with T. E. Butler as business manager and Harry O. Collins as editor. Collins sold his share in 1907, and Joseph M Dixon, who had served two terms as Congressman from Montana and was later governor, assumed ownership. (Source)

Harry Collins was likely a businessman from Anaconda according to a page on ancestry titled "Harrold 'Harry' Pierce Collins".

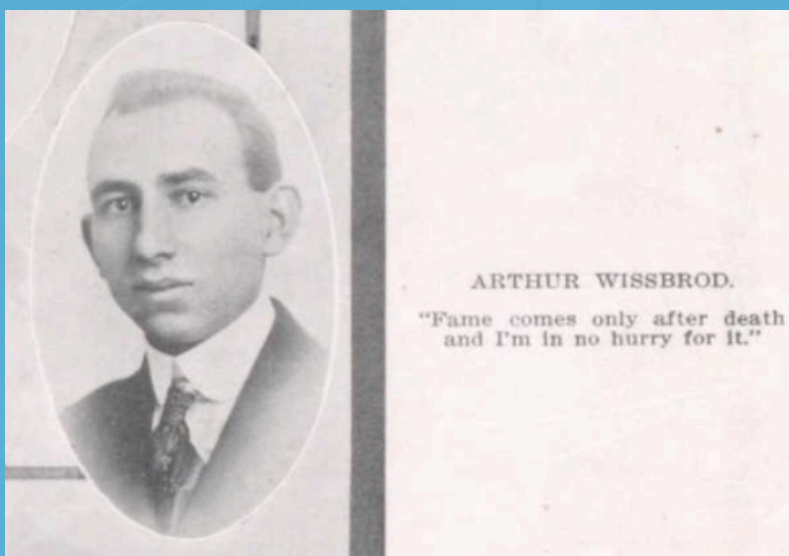


1909-1921

Koopman + Wissbrod

Arthur Wissbrod of Koopman + Wissbrod was an owner of a large wholesale meat sale and business in Missoula. He attended high school locally, as pictured from a yearbook below, and eventually moved to Seattle after marrying his wife Mabel in 1917. His business partner, Fritz Koopman, was from Germany.

His father, Fred, would later take over his butcher shop following Arthur's departure.



William Castles acquired his early education in the public schools of Liverpool and at Lurgan, Ireland, finishing his work in school at the age of sixteen. He learned the butcher business under his father. Mr. Castles is a veteran English soldier, having spent eighteen months in the Boer war during 1901-02. He was a sergeant of the Sixtieth Company of Imperial Yeomanry. From South Africa he returned to Lurgan, Ireland, and engaged in the butcher business for himself for several years.

Mr. Castles came to the United States in 1906, and going to Missoula, Montana, was employed by the John R. Daily Company and Koopman & Wissbrod, owners of two extensive wholesale and retail meat businesses in that city. In November, 1915, Mr. Castles came to Superior, and in partnership with Koopman & Wissbrod bought the butcher shop of Tom Merkle, who was a pioneer miner and butcher at Superior. Mr. Castles dissolved his partnership with Koopman & Wissbrod in 1916, and acquired the entire business. Soon afterward he formed his present partnership with Paul Westfall, each partner sharing equally. Mr. Castles is a practical meat market man, and Castles and Westfall own and operate a large ranch at Ashmore.

1921-1926

Fred Wissbrod Meats

Frederick G Wissbrod was born on 8 June 1867 in Biel, Bern, Switzerland.

He settled in the United States, married his wife in Butte, and later relocated to Missoula, where we have evidence of Fred's meat market business.

He took over his son's butcher shop a few years after Arthur relocated. A photo below includes Fred some years earlier.

The occupation of butcher composed a large part of his life and was ultimately his occupation at his time of death.

1921-1926

Fred Wissbrod Meats



CENTRAL MARKET IN
MISSOULA WHERE FRED
BEADLE WORKED FIRST
AFTER ARRIVING IN THE
AREA

LEFT TO RIGHT: 1904-1905

FRED WISSBROD
TOM LAYFIELD
MR. BEADLE

MR. BEADLE AND MR. LAYFIELD LATER
BOUGHT THE STORE IN MILLTOWN

1927-1928

F.B. Pott Barber

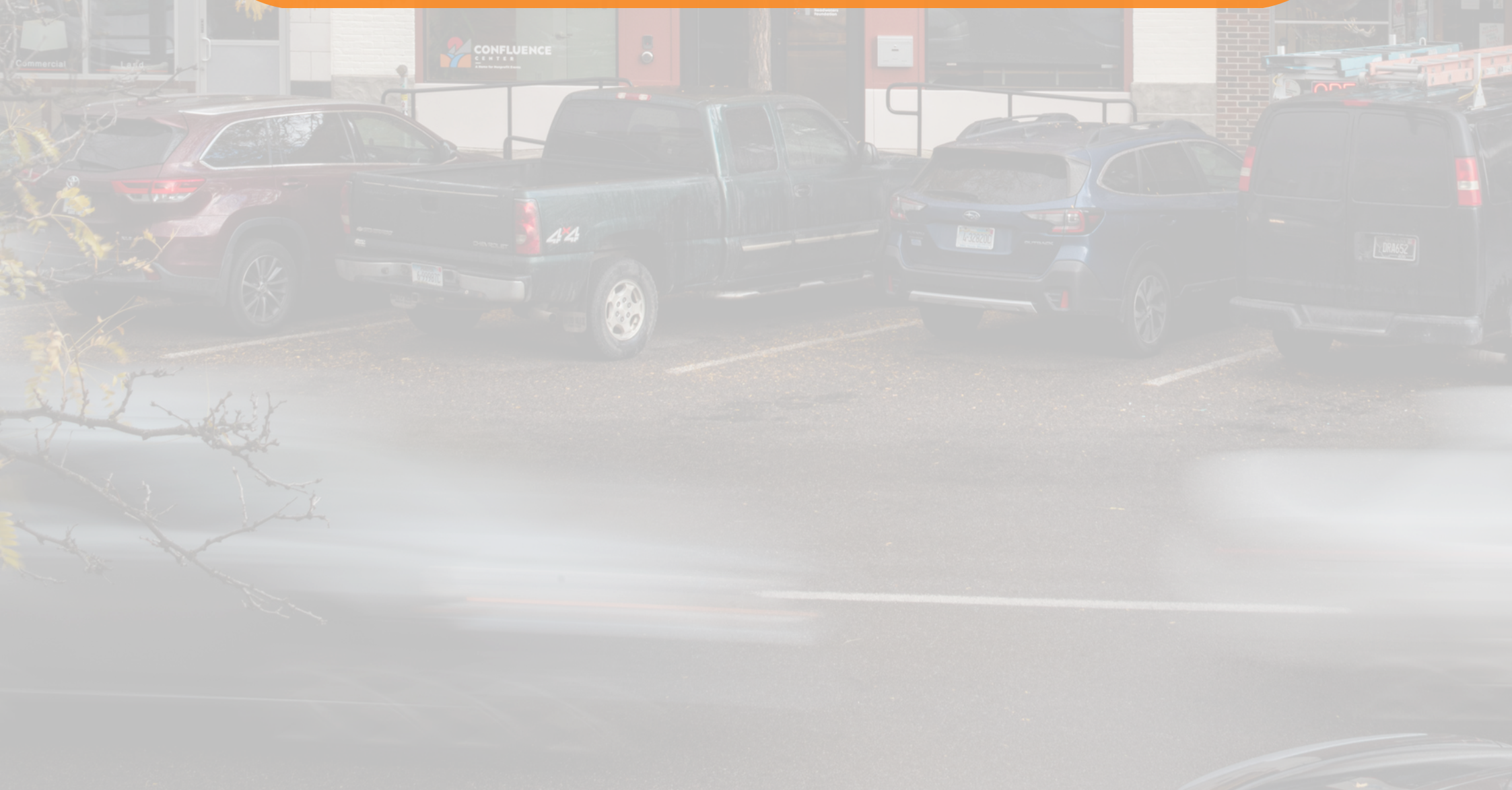
"F. B. Pott of Missoula, Montana, is responsible for tying and selling a complete series of hair hackled flies, or 'Mite' patterns. Frank Pott developed these flies some years ago between 1920 and 1925. His first patent in the year 1925 was the first time a fly tying procedure has ever been patented. Patent number was 1,523,895. Frank was a barber and a wig maker which gave him a background in the workings of hair."

(Source)

1927–1928

F.B. Pott Barber

“Early in the 1920's Franz B. Pott of Missoula, Montana, produced the first trout flies with woven hair hackle. The hackle was used in an “ingenious series of woven-bodied hair flies known to fishermen as ‘Mite’ flies.” Many western anglers still use these flies.”
(Source)



1927-1928

F.B. Pott Barber



Jackle Tips

By Maurice A. Notter

wide variety of patterns that include the Lady Mite, Buddy Mite, Sandy Mite and many others of the popular Mite series.

While I can provide no data on the original development of these flies other than that they are hand-woven of hair and appear to have been designed to imitate the creepers and larvae of various aquatic insects found along our Western streams, one thing I know for sure—there are many times when they will take fish after everything else has seemingly failed.

Many fishermen to whom I have spoken and who use these flies, consider them as being primarily fast-water lures. In this respect I agree. Yet, if fished properly, there are many times they will prove to be equally as effective in still or slow-moving water. One of the most vicious strikes I have ever experienced was provoked by one of these flies on Wilmer Lake in the northern section of Yosemite National Park.

Fishing had been slow that day and during the morning I had changed flies a half-dozen times before coming across an ancient, chewed-up Sandy Mite. It was a non-descript thing, but with nothing to lose by trying. I tied it on and made a half-hearted cast out toward a jutting spur of granite. The events of the next few moments happened so fast the details are still hazy in my mind, but that fly no more than touched the water when the lake ex-

ON several occasions I have been asked what I consider to be the best all-around fly for California trout fishing. A direct question like that, believe me, is one of the best ways in the world to lose friends and make enemies. Should your pet lure fail to produce—brother, you're in trouble!

However, as the old saying goes, fools rush in where angels fear to tread, and I usually wind up recommending Pott Trout Flies to those who would like to have better fishing. Personally, I believe these artificials are the best ever to appear as far as practical trout fishing is concerned. I have used them in almost every part of this State from the Trinity Alps to remote sections of the High Sierra and find them to produce with amazing regularity in all types of water.

A patented fly tied by F. B. Pott, of Missoula, Montana, they come in a

(Source)

1927-1945

Falstaff Cafe

A long-standing Missoula staple, Falstaff Cafe offered "Regular Dinner Every Day" with specials on steaks or chicken dinners on Sundays. They often advertised in the Kaimin and offered coupons to students and athletes.



1927-1934

**Mattie Fitzgibbons (Pickens)
Boarding House**

Mattie Pickens, later marrying and becoming Fitzgibbons, opened a boarding house in downtown Missoula with small, single occupancy rooms for rent. She is pictured below with her husband.



1943-1953

Murrill's Cocktail Lounge

Need we say more?

*a congenial
atmosphere
only surpassed
by
excellent drinks
and
superb service*

MURRILL'S

· one of the northwest's
finest cocktail lounges

119 W. MAIN

1947–1969

The Flame

The “You Know You Lived In Missoula MT If....” Facebook had a lot to say!

“My favorite Missoula bar. Their tabletop menus bragged about having the “finest stereo system in the Northwest.” And who could forget the aquarium behind the bar with the eel in it?”

“Used to be a traditional hangout for expectant fathers while their wives gave birth at StPats”

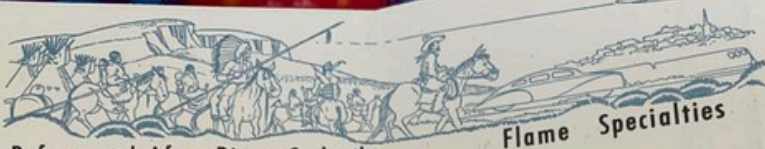
“Beautiful red leather booths”

“Chucks next door with shuffleboard, Flame to take a date”

1947-1969

The Flame





Before and After Dinner Cocktails

DRY MARTINI	SINGAPORE SLING
MANHATTAN	SLOE GIN FIZZ
OLD FASHIONED	GRIZZLY FIZZ
DAIQUIRI	HAWAIIAN COOLER
WHISKEY SOUR	KOOL BANANA
BARCARDI	ROAD RUNNER
BANANA DAQUIRI	ALL COLLINS
SIDE CAR	MINT JULEP
ALEXANDER	THE GODFATHER
GRASS HOPPER	NAKED LADY
STINGER	FOG CUTTER
PINK LADY	MAI-TAI
RUSTY NAIL	HARVEY WALLBANGER
DRAMBUIE	HOT BUTTERED RUM
GALLIANO	GEORGE'S TOM & JERRY
PINK SQUIRREL	ODD BALL
FLYING SAUCER	ROOT BEER FLOAT
BLACK RUSSIAN	SINGAPORE SHOE
MARGARITA	BETWEEN THE SHEETS
FLAME GIMLET	

Flame Specialties

ARISE MY LOVE
BACHELOR'S BAIT
DAMN THE WEATHER
DEPTH BOMB
FARE-THEE-WELL
GENTLE BEN
LOOK OUT BELOW
SNOWBALL
SOUTH OF THE BORDER
TWIN HILLS
HOT PANTS
KISS THE BOYS GOODBYE
WARD EIGHT
WHAT THE HELL
HOP, SKIP & GO NAKED
HARPOONER'S HOLIDAY
FLAME ZOMBIE
CHI-CHI
RATTLESNAKE
BAN

Northwest's Finest Stereophonic Music for Your Listening Pleasure
The Flame Lounge was Built for Your Comfort! Kindled in Your Memory

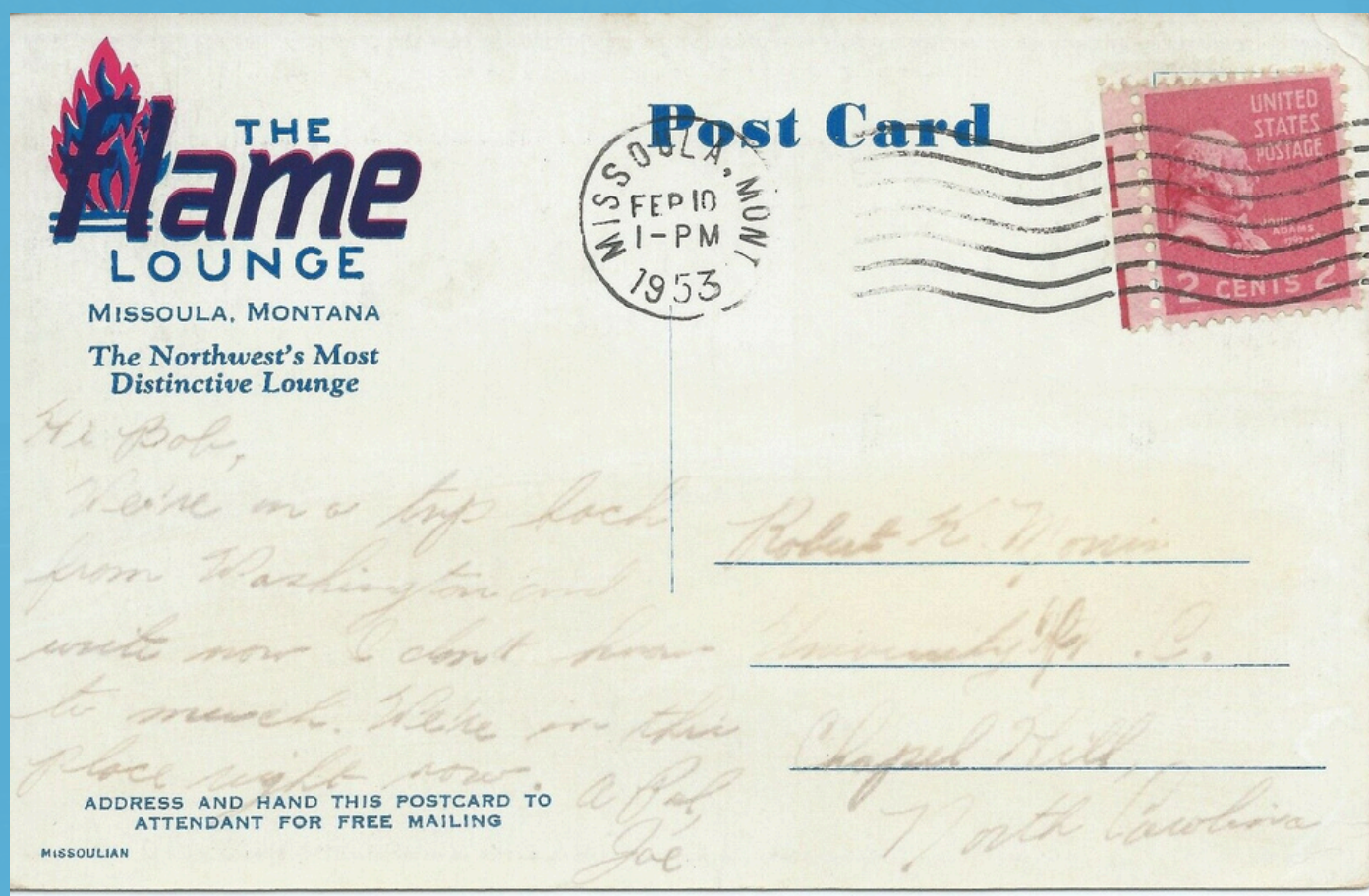
1947-1969

The Flame



1947-1969

The Flame



1970-1985

Corky's Bar & Lounge

With many alluring advertisements in the Kaimin newspaper, it was likely a fun spot for students and other Missoulians alike. It was upstairs from the Flame.



1985–2003

Jay's Bar

Initially, the bar was named Corky's, and later, Jay bought out his brothers and the bar became Jay's.

With both floors open as bars, Missoulians knew the building as "Jay's" and "Jay's Upstairs".

(Source)

Many folks have fun Jay's Upstairs stories, including a contractor that visited Headwaters last year. He mentioned the floor shaking from everyone dancing to the punk music. I'm sure there are many more anecdotes similar to his.

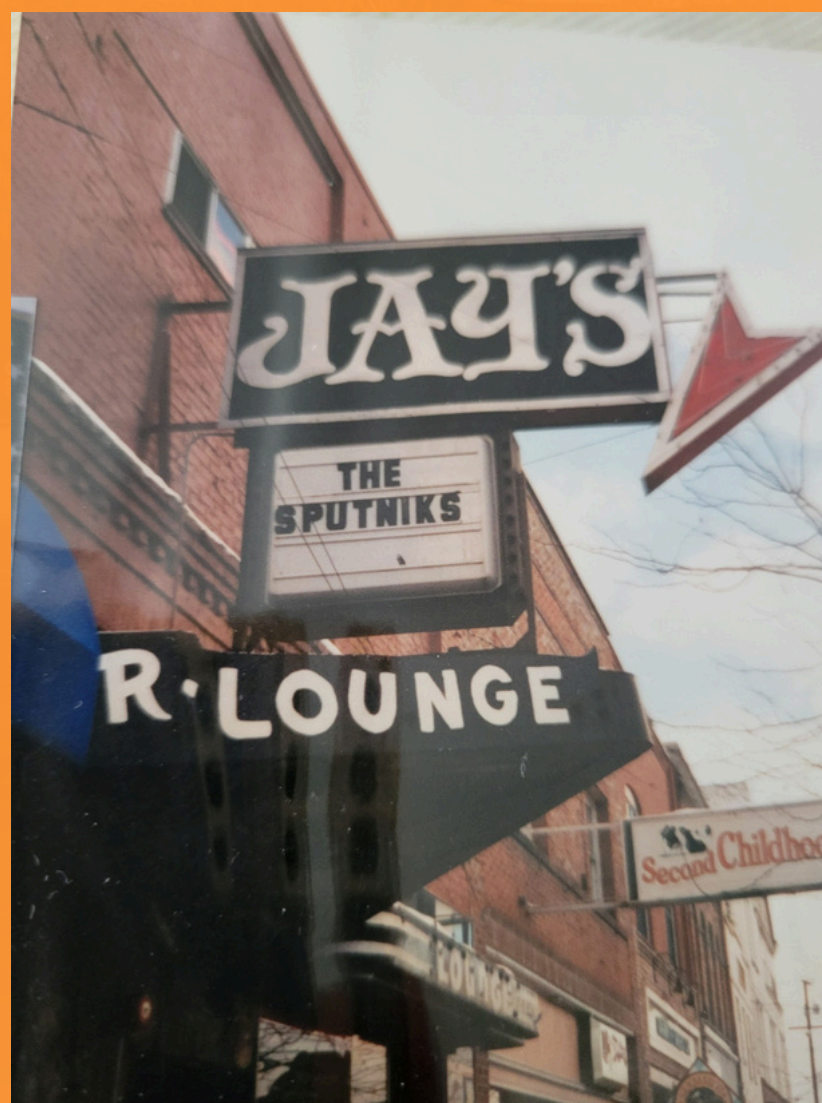
1985-2003

Jay's Bar



1985–2003

Jay's Bar



Approximately 2021

The Loft

“The second floor is home to The Loft of Missoula, a members-only social club. While a limited number of events can be scheduled by non-members, The Loft leadership tightly controls the space’s use. As of July 2021, The Loft is listed as “Permanently Closed”.

(Source)



General Information

119 W Main Street Missoula MT

Missoula Montana
Sightseeing

