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# Restoring the Richard's Cabin - Nevada City Living History Museum

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Highlands College Historic Preservation student, Paul Hart, researched and accurately reconstructed parts of the Richards Cabin at the Nevada City Living History Museum in partnership with the Montana Heritage Commission.



“Montana Tech has a strong belief in providing our students as much ‘hands-on’ experience as possible,” said Bill Ryan, Highlands College Chair of the Trades & Technical Department. “Paul’s internship experience was so successful that the Montana Heritage Commission is asking for more student interns in the future to assist them in their valuable preservation work. Of course, we will be happy to oblige. We have more work planned for the museum.”



Richards Cabin at the Nevada City Living History Museum



The Richards Cabin has an infamous place in the colorful history of Montana vigilante justice. The story is that a vigilante posse captured George Ives for the murder of Nicholas Tbolt. The roof of the Richards Cabin served as a sort of balcony seating for some of the locals watching the trial. Ives was hanged almost immediately after the trial.