McHENRY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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McHenry County Government Center ◆ Planning & Development 2200 North Seminary Avenue ◆ Woodstock, Illinois 60098





McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission

c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development 2200 North Seminary - Woodstock, Il 60098 815 - 334 - 4560

The following meetings of the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission will be held at **7:00 p.m**. at the McHenry County Government Center- Administration Building, Planning & Development Conference Room 206, 667 Ware Road, Woodstock, IL unless otherwise posted.

December 3, 2008

January 7, 2009

February 4, 2009

March 4, 2009

April 1, 2009

May 6, 2009

June 3, 2009

July 1, 2009

August 5, 2009

September 2, 2009

October 7, 2009

November 4, 2009

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission

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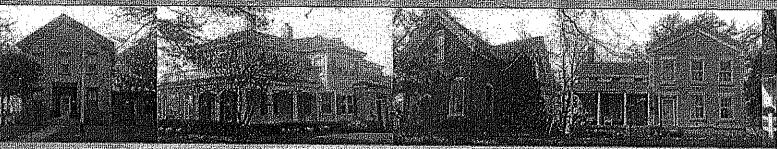
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To date, McHenry County has six Scenic Road designations for your enjoyment:

- Plum Tree Road 1.5 miles. Villages of Barrington Hills and Fox River Grove
- 2. Mason Hill Road 4 miles. Village of Bull Valley, Woodstock
- 3. North River Road 1.5 miles. Village of Algonquin
- 4. River Road 7.5 miles. Marengo and Seneca Townships
- 5. Pioneer Road 4 miles. McHenry and Richmond Townships
- 6. Indian Trail .9 miles. Lake in the Hills

McHenry County, Illinois is a picturesque landscape of expansive vistas, fertile farmlands, ancient oak groves, historic homes, and winding waterways.

Roadside land is often the first and most visible land to be converted to residential or commercial uses. McHenry County has taken the lead in establishing the Scenic Streets and Roads Program to recognize roads, road corridors, and the surrounding features that create their character. The program distinguishes some of its rural roads and vistas for future generations and applies to all roads located in McHenry County, including city streets, residential streets, and rural roads. The Scenic Streets and Roads Program promotes:

• A Sense Of Place - by recognizing community identity and quality of life.



- Economic Development by generating tourist revenue through the promotion of scenic streets and roads.
- Recreation by providing enjoyment for those who appreciate walking, biking, or a country drive for pleasure.

Sights that Scenic Roads offer ~

NATURAL FEATURES:

- Expansive views, such as those that overlook stream valleys
- Unusual land forms, ridgelines, ravines, narrow valleys, or glacial features
- Water
- Woodlands and groves
- Wildflower glades, flowering native trees, or shrub masses
- Autumn color
- Evergreen stands
- Other areas of natural vegetation such as prairie

BUILT FEATURES:

- Churches and old cemeteries
- Farmsteads
- · Architecturally and/or historically significant buildings
- Monuments, memorials, and statues
- Historical markers
- Concrete automobile club guideposts
- · Railroad and accessory features
- Landscapes
- · Roadway pavement, drainage, bridges, tunnels, or other features



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McHenry County Old House Support Group

The McHenry County Old House Support Group is a loose association of "old house" owners from across the county who share the trials and joys of owning an older home.

Restoration information and resources can be difficult to find, whether the work is done by the owner or by trained professionals experienced in and sensitive to period work. The McHenry County Old House Support Group was formed to be such a resource by connecting individuals who are involved in the same sorts of projects or who have encountered similar pitfalls or successes in restoration.

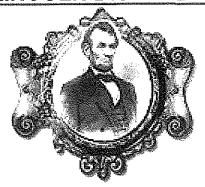
For more information, please contact:

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The Civil War Reporter

McHenry County Civil War Round Table News

ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL EDITION



"Fellow Citizens, We Cannot Escape History" Abraham Lincoln



Volume 1, Number 1

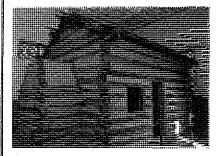
McHenry County, Illinois

February 12, 2009

Bom on the edge of the wilderness in a Kentucky log cabin on a cold wintry morning of February 12, 1809; his young mother Nancy, could neither read nor write; his father Thomas could barely sign his own name.



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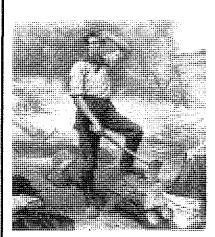


The Lincoln Family soon moved to Indiana, then on to Illinois. While still in Indiana, Lincoln's mother Nancy Hanks Lincoln died from a toxin ingested in cow's milk, the lethal "milk sickness".

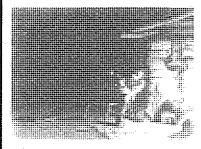
His father Thomas later re-married a widow by the name of Sarah Bush (Lincoln), who with great devotion raised the two young Lincoln children as

well as her own brood.

Abraham was an avid reader, working in the woods or on the farm with a book at hand alongside the plow or the axe.



Abraham and his young sister attended less than one year of formal schooling in a primitive class of recitation called a "blab school", where they learned the basics of reading, writing, and very minimal arithmetic.

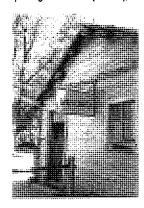


At night, with the light of the fireplace and on the dirt cabin floor Abraham was a constant reader.

The Lincoln family moved again; this time from southern Indiana to central illinois searching for a better life. After settling the family in their new location just west of a growing community called Decatur, Abraham struck out on his own, drifting around and finally settling himself in the small hamlet of New Salem.



In this village his new livelihood included a part ownership in a general store (it failed),





A term as Town Postmaster



A Surveyor



Volunteer Captain in the Blackhawk War



Ran for State Legislature, swept New Salem, but lost the general election.



Had a tragic, almost mythic romance with a local young lady by the name of Ann Rutledge, won recognition as the village story teller and wrestling champion.



Lincoln then began to develop a very keen interest in the works of law, about the same time New Salem's fortunes began to decline and finally winked out.

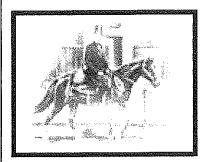


Abraham Lincoln would then move his few belongings to a new place of residence in nearby Springfield, the state capitol of Illinois after which he was able to receive some assistance from a local attorney who provided him with books and generally encouraged his application for the state bar examinations.

As a lawyer in Springfield Lincoln did quite well; he was very popular and gained many close friends as well as making political connections which would come in quite handy in the future as he began to look toward a more aggressive politically motivated direction in his carrier.



As well as being very popular with the people, Lincoln made a good marriage (but not always a happy one)



Lincoln had a vigorous law practice which included extensive tours of the judicial circuit.



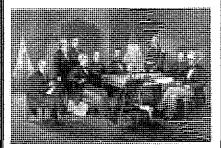
This led the young lawyer to make state wide friendships and caused him to again pursue his political goals.



He ran for Congress against Stephen Douglas, a Democratic party stalwart, losing a hard fought election but gaining much in national fame.



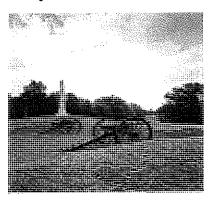
At a time of momentous national crisis with the threat of secession and civil war looming, he was nominated by the Republican party as a dark horse candidate, winning against several heavily favored eastern candidates.



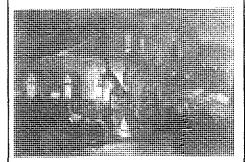
Lincoln's Highly Diversified Presidential Cabinet



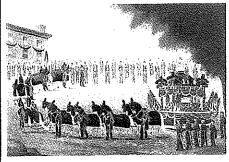
His courage and firmness during the fiery trials of our great Civil War have caused most historians to place Abraham Lincoln at the very pinnacle of our nation's great leaders.



Though he lived to see the end of the terrible war, he was not destined to enjoy the fruits of victory, peace and freedom.



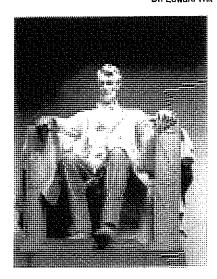
President Lincoln being carried from Ford's Theater



Dying from an assassin's bullet, Lincoln was returned to the Illinois he loved and where he rests in honored glory.

As we celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of his birth, we and the nation he saved, join in thanks for the life and leadership of Abraham Lincoln.

--- Dr. Edward Wilt



McHenry County Civil War Round Table Offers Scholarship

The McHenry County Civil War Round Table will award one scholarship for \$1,000 to a high school senior in McHenry County.

The award is based on written essays submitted to a panel of the Civil War Round Table members who will grade the entries on the basis of originality, grammatical construction, neatness, and evidence of student research on the chosen topic.

This year the essay is to be 500 words or less.

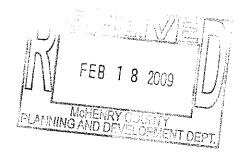
Forms have been mailed to the guidance counselors at all high schools located in the county.

Students who are home taught should call:

Scholarship Chairperson: Marie Wilt 815.385.5141

The scholarship deadline is March 30, 2009.

We would like to thank Dr. Ed Wilt and Keith Fisher for their work putting together the special edition



February 16, 2009

Members of the McHenry County Board and Members of the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission Department of Planning and Development 2200 North Seminary Avenue Woodstock, Illinois 60098

Anothy Deherschel

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission.

It is with a great deal of thought and careful consideration that I offer my resignation from the Commission. I wish you well in all of your future endeavors for preservation.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Scherschel

>> GRAND JURY

A McHenry County grand jury recently indicted:

Josefina Jacquez Age: 54 Address: 410 Terramere Lane, Lake in the Hills Charge: Retail theft

Virginia M. Frank Age: 26 Address: 956 W. Main St., Cary

Charges: Aggravated battery, resisting a peace officer

Jason M. Chlopek Age: 22 Address: 23644 W. Park Terrace, Antioch Charges: Burglary, criminal damage to property, theft over \$300

Donald L. Stoops Age: 60 Address: 2913 Lincoln Road, McHenry

Charges: Forgery of motor vehicle certificate of title, unlawful financial exploitation of a person with a disability, three counts of forgery

Yogeshkumar R. Patel Age: 46 Address: 1421 Portage Lane, Woodstock Charges: Residential arson, arson

James J. Contos Age: 52 Address: 237 N. Main St., Crystal Lake Charge: Criminal damage to property

James W. Challender Age: 36 Address: 207 Malibu Drive, Bolingbrook Charge: Retail theft

Roger D. Summers Age: 23 Last-known address: 1204 Spruce St., Lake in the

Charge: Unlawful failure to register as a sex offender

Nicholas C. Bremer Age: 19 Address: 6805 Fox Run Drive, near Crystal Lake Charges: Two counts of aggravated battery

Michael D. Lancaster Age: 31 Address: 3308 Lorient Drive, McHenry Charges: Ten counts of deceptive practice and eight counts of financial institution fraud

Matthew T. Forgath Age: 24 Address: 207 Montana Drive, Cary Charge: Obstructing justice

Kostas Lymberopoulos Age: 20 Address: 1460 Cord Grass Trail, Woodstock Charges: Theft over \$300, theft under \$300

Autumn K. Wilson Age: 22 Address: Unknown Charges: Theft over \$300, theft under \$300

Fred J. Rose Age: 19 Address: 416 W. Grant Highway, Marengo Charges: Two counts of unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Michael C. Rygiel Age: 18 Address: 2410 N. Hidden Trail, Spring Grove Charge: Unlawful manufacture of a look-alike substance

>> BLOOD DRIVES

Following is a list of places to give blood. Donors should be 17 or older or 16 with a parent's consent, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health.

• 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday - Wal-

formation: Ernie Matia, 815-356-5245 or www.heartlandbc.org.

• 8 a.m. to noon Feb. 28 – First United Methodist Church, 236 W. Crystal Lake Ave., Crystal Lake. All donors will be entered into a drawing to win one of

WOODSTOCK: CITY COUNCIL

City considers mas

By TIM KANE tkane@nwherald.com

WOODSTOCK - The city is considering installing a mass-notification system that would enable city officials to inform every resident or selected groups of natural disasters, road closings and boil orders.

Woodstock would pay Sherman Oaks, Calif .based Blackboard Connect, supplier of Connect CTY, about \$21,000 a year for the mass-notification system, according to a city document.

The cost would be about \$2.50 per residence and might be collected by increasing water bills by 20

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>> LOCAL BRIEFS

Historic preservation members sought

The McHenry County Board is seeking volunteers interested in joining the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission.

Attorneys, architects, engineers, real estate professionals and people with interest in history or architecture are encouraged to apply.

Application forms are available at the McHenry County Board offices, 667 Ware Road, Woodstock, or online at www.co.mchenry.il.us. Finished applications should be returned no later than 3 p.m. March 12.

Mailed applications should be sent to McHenry County Board, 2200 N. Seminary Ave., Woodstock, IL 60098.

- Kevin P. Craver

Man hurt in fall from roof of retail store

WEST DUNDEE - A man in his 30s was injured when he fell from the roof of the Spring Hill Mall Kohl's store, Carpentersville fire officials said.

The incident happened about 11:30 a.m., Carpentersville fire Lt. John Muir said

College offers free tax help through April

CRYSTAL LAKE - McHenry County College, 8900 Route 14, will have free tax assistance for those who qualify through April 15.

Times are from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays and from ... 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays in Room A106.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Clinic prepares tax returns for individuals with incomes of less than \$20,000 and families with incomes less than \$45,000.

All tax forms will be provided.

Brunch on tap for **Women's Connection**

CRYSTAL LAKE - McHenry County Women's Connection will meet Wednesday at Crystal Lake Holiday Inn. Route 31 and Three Oaks Road.

The day will start with networking from 9 to 9:30 a.m. followed by brunch from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Donna Pavoris will provide simple tips and solutions to keep homes organized.

Sharla Fritz also will give a nresentation on self image

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McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission March 4, 2009, Meeting Report — Gloria Mack

Joint Council – The Spring Joint Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 29th, at the former Frank Howard Estate. The property now is under the ownership of MCCD. Gail was very helpful in securing the venue for the April 29th meeting. We have tentatively scheduled Lisa DiChiera of LPCI as our speaker. She will discuss the pending litigation challenging the Chicago Preservation Ordinance. When I spoke to her today, she was going to confirm this with her boss and also see if the LPCI attorney would attend in the event there would be legal questions.

Bicentennial Committee – The February Bicentennial Committee Gala was very successful. It was well attended and the Hat's Off To Lincoln Display was very well done. Several ladies of the Civil War Round Table dressed in period attire and acted as docents. Committee Chair, Tina Hill asked me to bring enough copies of the MCCWRT's Bicentennial issue fir those attending the Gala, I complied. I also brought copies for all of you tonight.

- The Hats Off To Lincoln Display is available for display for other organizations.
- In addition, I sent a note of thanks to Max and Donna Daniels aka, President and Mrs. Lincoln for their presentation on February 1st.
- On March 1st I attended the Marengo Lincoln celebration.

Subj: Date: McHenry Co, Joint Council of Historic Groups 2/12/2009 10:54:56 A.M. Central Standard Time

From:

Mackgg

Dear Lisa,

I represent the McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission. We cohost, with, The McHenry Co. Historical Society a semi annual meeting that includes all the historic groups in McHenry County,.

Our Spring meeting this year will be held on April 29th at the historic Frank Howard Estate at 7 PM. Currently the estate is owned by McHenry County Conservation District. It is north of McHenry on Route 31.

I am contacting you, as it is our hope that you may be available to speak at our April 29th meeting. We are aware that the Chicago Preservation Ordinance is facing a court challenge and if you could bring us information on that litigation it would very helpful to the group.

Also, if April 29th fits into your schedule and you are able to arrive in McHenry earlier I would honored if you would join me for dinner.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

Gloria G. Mack

The year's hottest artists on the red carpet at the Grammy Awards. AOL Music takes you there.

Subj:

Joint Council

Date:

2/10/2009 10:34:15 A.M. Central Standard Time

From:

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February 12, 2009

Dear Max and Donna aka President Abraham Lincoln and Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln:

I would be remiss if I did not wish you Happy Birthday Mr. President. You really look good for your age.

Please accept my personal thanks and the sincere appreciation of the McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission, the McHenry Co. Historical Society and McHenry Co. College for the wonderful Lincoln program your presented on February 1, 2009. The College representative said she has never had so many calls praising a program before. I, too, have heard so many affirmative comments.

I have enclosed for you reading pleasure an article that appeared on 2/2/09 in our local paper. I have also enclosed \$20. After you departed a young woman asked me if she could purchase one of your DVD's. I sold her the DVD you gave me. Perhaps when we see each other in Marengo, 3/1/09, I can get another one. Also, I will be happy to be your sales person once again.

Once again, many thanks,

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Gloria G. Mack

PS: The check is in the mail. So sorry for the confusion.

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To: CC: mawanask@co.mchenry.il.us nickc@housewrightdb.com

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March 4, 2009

2008 ANNUAL REPORT Nick Chirikos

Committee Positions: Endangered Sites, Old House Support Group and Website development.

January: Reported on the Round Barn, in Marengo. Landmark status for Johnsburg General Store.

February: Prepared for the Joint Council meeting next month.

March Our Joint Council of Historic Groups in McHenry County met at the Riley Township Hall.

April: Landmarks Illinois "Restoration Projects" website. Was invited to the Lake County Heritage Farm Foundation organizational meeting by Nancy Burgess.

May: Visited Pritkin-Small Estate. Interviewed owners and evaluated the estate for its historical significance. Established interest in the "Old House Support Group", which was active in the late 1990's. National Historic Preservation Month declared for McHenry County.

June: Much confusion about internal matters regarding the structure of meeting minutes and agenda format. A Powerpoint Presentation by Denise Collins was presented to the board, and the Historic Barn Preservation Group. It was hoped that the full County Board would be interested in seeing this presentation.

July: Survey of Chunn's (Oak Glen) Cemetery submitted for future Landmark plaquing of same.

August: Preparation of the Certificate of Appropriateness for Rudolphus Hutchinson House (House of 7 Gables) in Harvard

September: Attended the 2008 Traditional Building Conference & Exhibition at McCormick Place, in Chicago.

October: Chunn's Burying Ground Dedication ceremony

November: Report on the House of 7 Gables & related site, response to Commissioner's concerns on the Certificate of Appropriateness regarding siding on the barn, addition to the main house, and other modifications to the main structure.

December: There was no activity during the month of December.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Chirikos



Gail A. Brown

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development 2200 North Seminary ~ Woodstock, IL 60098 815 - 334 - 4560

Date:

4/1/2009

To:

HPC

From:

Gail Brown, McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission, Sites Com-

mittee

Re:

SURVEY COMMITTEE REPORT - - - Monthly Report

Current Landmarks:

Although time does not permit individual site visits, it would be a good idea to knock on some of the doors and re-introduce ourselves to some of the homeowners.

Landmarking:

To summarize potential landmarks, I have attached a sheet that not only details the possible landmarks that we have discussed in recent years, but also the list of "potential" landmarks as identified by the 1993 HPC Survey committee back when I first came onto the commission. It is the intent to clarify the status of each and identify at least a few that could be revisited.

Survey:

I have started working back on Burton Township. It is hard to get everything put back together having undergone several computer iterations personally and at the county. However, I have attached the statistics sheet from the barns as an example of what we will have upon completion.

POTENTIAL LANDMARKS:

(as specified by the 1993 Survey Team of the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission)

Property Name	Address	City	Township	Year Built	Current Status
1 Pyramid House	Alden Road	Alden	Alden	1890	
2 Prairie Foursquare	Route 173	Alden	Alden	1900	
3 Alden School	Route 173	Alden	Alden	1896	
4 Andrews House	Route 173	Alden	Alden	1872	•
5 Brigham Farmstead	Hillside Road	Hebron	Hebron	1840	
6 Johnson Farmstead	Johnson Road	Hebron	Hebron	1850	
7 Weisner Farmstead	Vanderkarr Road.	Hebron	Hebron	1865	
8 Stewart Farmhouse	Vanderkarr Road	Hebron	Hebron	1880	
9 Old Mill Inn	Barnyard Road	Wonder Lake	Richmond	1880	
10 Robert Gardner Farm	West Solon Road	Solon Mills	Richmond	1850	
11 Richardson Farmstead	Richardson Road	Spring Grove	Burton	1863	
12 Hatch Octagon Bam	Main Street	Spring Grove	Burton	1880	
13 Davidson House	Pagles Road	Harvard	Dunham	1876	
14 Kennedy Way Station	Route 14	Woodstock	Hartland	1853	
15 Rasmussen House	Greenwood Road	Greenwood	Greenwood	1880	
16 Haimbaugh Homestead	Greenwood Road	Greenwood	Greenwood	1860	
17 Colby-Petersen Farmstead.	McCullum Lake Road	McHenry	McHenry	1850	Incorporated
18 Willard's Round Bam	River Road	Marengo	Marengo	1897	
19 Limestone School	Hawthorn Road	Marengo	Marengo	1800's	
20 Franklinville Church	Franklinville Road	Woodstock	Seneca	1848	
21 Samuel Terwilliger House	Mason Hill Road	Bull Valley	Nunda	1849	
22 Simon Wheeler House	Country Club Road	Bull Valley	Do rr	1867	
23 Riley Methodist Church	Riley Road	Riley	Riley	1898	
24 Riley Town Hall	Riley Road	Riley	Riley	1868	
25 Prescott Whittemore House	Marengo Road	Union	Coral	1841	
26 Chapin Wilcox Farmstead	Harmony Road	Harmony	Coral	1882	
27 Samuel Morris House	Harmony Road	Harmony	Coral	1854	
28 St. John's Cemetery	Algonquin Road	Algonquin	Algonquin	•	

POTENTIAL LANDMARKS:

(as discussed in recent years by HPC)

Property Name	Address	City	Township	Year Built	Current Status
29 Powers-Walker House	Harts Road	Ringwood	Richmond		MCCD owned
30 Kennedy Way Station	Route 14	Woodstock	Hartland	1853	MCCD owned
31 McConnel Farmstead	Broadway St.	Richmond	Richmond	1871	MCCD owned
32 Brick Greek Revival	Charles Rd.	Woodstock	Dorr	1850's	
33 Farmhouse	McKinstry Rd.	Marengo	Hartland	1870's	
34 Davidson House	Pagles Rd.	Harvard	Dunham	1860's	
35 L.B.Covel/House	Broadway St.	Richmond	Richmond	1905	
36 Hatch silo Site (155110	Main St.	SpringGrove	Burton		

Potential Roads:

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- 2. Ferris Rd.
- 3 Nichols Rd.
- 4. Sheild Rd.

- 5. Deep Cut
 6. McKinstry
 7. Vermont
 8. Pleasant Grove
 9. Grange

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Gail A. Brown

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission

Dept. of Planning and Development 2200 North Seminary Woodstock, IL 60098 815-334-4560

DATE:

4/1/2009

RE:

PLAQUING

Plaquing Historic Sites, Just What does that mean?

There are 4 types of Historic Landmark Plaquing available. Each has its own requirements, but only one has any restrictions. Basically plaquing is simply a verification of historic status and/or historic integrity which may help obtain grants to maintain the site. A site can be plaqued or designated as a historic landmark by multiple groups or levels.

NATIONAL REGISTER: Federal designation by the Department of the Interior administrated by the Illinois State Preservation Agency. Prestigious, but takes a long and time-consuming process to achieve. Tax Freeze assessment credit is available. These landmarks qualify for "bricks and mortar" and planning grants from a number of agencies.

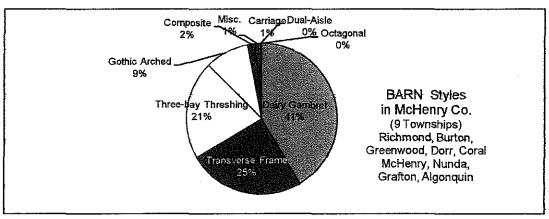
McHenry County Landmark List: County designation by the McHenry County Board, administered by McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission (MCHPC) for sites in unincorporated McHenry County or incorporated areas with an intergovernmental agreement. This is ordinance backed with restriction on building permits and demolition permits. All building permits and demolition permits have to also be reviewed by MCHPC (operated out of the Planning and Development Department) and receive a Certificate of Appropriateness prior to the permit being issued. Since MCHPC has Certified Local Government status with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, these landmarks also qualify for county, state and federal grants.

McHenry County Historical Society Plaque: Administered by the Historic Sites Committee of the McHenry County Historical Society in Union, IL. This is countywide available, prestigious, and has high-standards, but no ordinance backing. If the site no longer qualifies due to significant modifications, then the designation and plaque can be removed.

Local City/Village Designation: Varies from town to town.

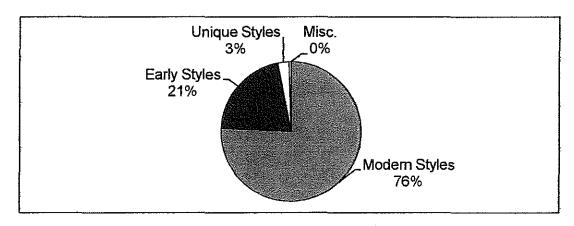
In short, any plaquing raises public awareness and although very laborious, a grass-roots effort is potentially the best form of protection due to visibility and multiple funding sources.

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Dairy Gambrel	96	52%	162	39%	304	40%	562	41%
Transverse Frame	33	18%	108	26%	200	26%	341	25%
Three-bay Threshing	49	26%	78	19%	160	21%	287	21%
Gothic Arched	6	3%	41	1 0%	80	1 1%	127	9%
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Dual-Aisle	0	0%	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
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McHenry County RURAL SURVEY

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McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 04/01/09

Gloria Mack - Report

Joint Council:

The Joint Council meeting will be on Wednesday, April 29th. It will be held at the Glacial Park Conference Center, formerly The Frank Howard Estate. The speakers will be representatives on LPCI, Lisa DiChiera, Brian Kingsley, attorney LPCI. The will address the Challenge to the Chicago Preservation Ordinance. In addition, on the agenda for 4/29 will be an update on Preservation Month, and the usual reports by the historic groups present. A special thank-you to Gail Brown for making the reservation at the Glacial Park Conference Center. I would also like to thank Audrey for attending to the Joint Council Flier I e-mailed her. Since the site is "off the beaten track", I plan on putting on some bright clothing and directing the members when they arrive.

Scenic Roads:

I dropped off a Scenic Road application for Lincoln Road, in Lakemoor. As you know we wanted to designate a Lincoln Road in this the bicentennial year. This particular road is very scenic and we can honor Mr. Lincoln too.

Intergovernmental Agreements.

Dave Gervais and I talked regarding the Cary Cemetery application. Since the Cary Village President's illness we haven't been able to move this application along. Dave was going to put in a call to the Village Manager.

We are also tentatively planning a meeting with the Trout Valley Village President to discuss the possible intergovernmental agreement with them.

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DATE RECEIVED:	
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McHENRY COUNTY HISTORIC LANDMARK and HISTORIC DISTRICT NOMINATION FORM

DEFINITIONS

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LANDMARK: a property, landscape, vista, district, or structure designated as a "landmark" by ordinance of the McHenry County Board, pursuant to procedures prescribed by the McHenry County Historic Preservation Ordinance, which is worthy of rehabilitation, restoration, or preservation because of its historic, scenic, or architectural significance.

PROPERTY: the geographic area being nominated and any and all improvements, structures, objects or works of art situated on it.

NOMINATION INFORMATION

FEATURES OF THE PROPERTY.

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: Hartman Road in Riley Township PERMANENT PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER(S): 16 - 27 - 400 - 002 DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY BOUNDARIES: Five miles south of Marengo or	
16 - 27 - 400 - 002	
23, then north of Carls Road for 1/4 mile, then west on Hartman Road for 3/4 morth on lane for 800 feet. An old fence line runs on the west side of the properture and on the other sides. The cemetery is listed in land records as 81 acres attached deed (#96R 027029).	mile, ther perty and

MCHENRY COUNTY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION - NOMINATION FORM
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Kirkland, IL 60152

ATTACH A STATEMENT DESCRIBING THE PROPERTY, ITS HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

9.

ADDITIONAL DETAILED INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS TO SUPPORT THIS NOMINATION MAY BE REQUIRED IF THE COMMISSION FINDS THAT THE PROPERTY MERITS CONSIDERATION.

Marengo, IL 60152



McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development 220 North Seminary Ave. Woodstock, IL 60098

MONTHLY REPORT May 6, 2009

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: (April 23, 2009)

April's meeting was well-attended, with Bruce Randall being accepted by the board for confirmation by the County Board. We hope to see Mr. Randall's approval by the date of this meeting. Additionally, three potential candidates for the two available positions were present; Trish Doornbosch, Steve Greely and Lynn Grey. One additional candidate, Steven Church, was not present, but all applications were accepted. I am gratified to know that there is such interest and enthusiasm within the county for the good work of the Historic Preservation Commission. It's going to be a tough choice.

Our new fledgling website has taken flight. Kudos to Benjamin Wellington of P&D, who has been gracious and patient with us as we work out the bugs. Contact inquiries have been directed to my email for now, although there does not seem to be many relevant emails yet.

Ms. Tina Hill has been invited to our meeting, and she has graciously accepted.

The Joint Commission Meeting will be held on April 29th. I have arranged a small dinner meeting with our guests, Ms Lisa DiChiera and Adam Kinsley. Also attending will be Gloria Mack and Alan Stebbens from the Woodstock Historic Preservation Group, at Ms. DiChiera's request. From the Old Mill restaurant, we will reced to the Joint Council Meeting at Glacier Park Conference Center.

Denise Collins has requested a leave of absence for two months because of a chronic illness situation. I find no direct reference to a leave of absence in our Rules and Regulations. I therefore will request such a motion to be made, that we may retain Ms. Collins' position for a period not to exceed two months, unless the pleasure of the members as a whole leans toward her replacement. It is noted that we have four applicants for two available positions.

STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Old House Resources

"More thoughts on energy retrofitting an old or historic home".

Ever since the controversy over changes proposed (and approved) to the Hutchinson House, which brought to light serious differences of opinion amongst the members of this commission, I have taken it upon myself as chair of the Old House Resource Committee, to research the topic and bring current professional views to the table. As a builder and remodeler with a special interest in historic preservation, I review many periodicals which address this topic. One such article, included with my report, is entitled "Energy Upgrades Threaten Older Homes", by Ms. Sally Zimmerman of Lexington, Mass. Her theme is a call to preservationists to "advocate for better research...on energy interventions", and to help develop resources for homeowners and contractors who seek this information. We at HPC were caught short by the requests of the owner of one of our most revered landmark homes. I believe we did the right thing in allowing the owner to proceed with the renovation, but we can and must prepare for future requests by compiling as much information as possible on upgrading historically significant older homes for comfort, livability, marketability and longevity.

(over please)

2. Communications

The website is now live, as of April 23, 2009. Some remaining issues are the development of a site map, and updating contact information. I have instructed Ben to forward email inquiries to me for initial processing, until a better suggestion comes along. I am asking for bio information from each of the Commissioners and a small picture. We can make a nice page with this information.

Respectfully submitted, Nick Chirikos From:

Denise Collins

Sent:

Monday, May 04, 2009 1:56 PM

MaryAnn Wanaski; Audrey Martin; Nick C (HPC)

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HPC, from Denise Collins

MaryAnne and Audrey, Please relate this information to the others. Thanks.

Hello All,

As many of you who have worked with me on the HPC for so many years already know, I was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis when I was a teenager. It comes with all manner of annoying symptoms from A to Z but I'd say overall I've done pretty well with it over the past 37 years.

Occasionally it flares up, typically when the seasons change and we have long periods of damp weather. I'm in one such loop now, it has to run its course and my body has to work through it. Because I don't know how long this is going to take, the longest attack took me from age 15 to age 18 and put me in the hospital twice, if I my health issues prevent me from attending our meetings, I can't in good conscience leave the HPC hanging without a quorum.

I think I have two options here with the HPC, I could optimistically resign with an eye to coming back one day when health permits me or can request a leave of absence... but the latter doesn't allow for the needed quorum nor the possible length of time it could take me to get past this latest flare up. As far as I know no one has ever done this.

Ldon't want to create a troublesome hole of missed quorums. I wouldn't want you all driving to meetings r a long day, only to turn around and head home having wasted your time because I didn't make the meeting yet again and no work could get done. It's probably in everyone's best interest if I resigned for the time being so you can fill the empty chair and not lose time for conducting business.

To those of you I've worked with for all these years, you're the greatest. To the new commissioners, you are part of a wonderful team. I wish you all the best and look forward to hearing about your great works. Perhaps I'll be back.

Thanks. Denise



Gail A. Brown

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development 2200 North Seminary ~ Woodstock, IL 60098 815 - 334 - 4560

Date:

5/6/2009

To:

HPC

From:

Gail Brown, McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission, Sites Com-

mittee

Re:

SURVEY COMMITTEE REPORT - - - Monthly Report

Current Projects this month:

The allotted time this month was spent on special projects as follows - - -

- Produced map documents for Scenic Road nomination of Lincoln Road.
 (see Lincoln Road nomination packet)
- Got firm quote on Oak trees for Lincoln Bicentennial Committee tree planting program in honor of Lincoln. (provide to Gloria)
- Joint Council meeting coordination at Lodge, Glacial Park
- ~ Building demolition documentation (see attached)



Gail A. Brown

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development 2200 North Seminary ~ Woodstock, IL 60098 815 - 334 - 4560

Date:

5/6/2009

To:

Tom McCarthy.

MCCD Land & Facilities Manager

From:

Gail Brown,

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission.

Site Inventory Committee Chairman

Copy:

Nancy Fike,

McHenry County Historical Society

Re:

EVALUATION of MCCD Structures Prior to Demolition (Outbuildings at Glacial Park "Lodge" Conference Center)

Based on the current Master Plan of the site and based on MCCD Board approval of the plan, four of the former outbuildings in the Lodge complex are going to be removed due to maintenance costs and site reconfiguration. This serves to document them prior to demolition and does not attempt to evaluate the structures due to fact that they are modern structures and not part of the original historc structures on the site.

These structures are detailed as follows and are all located at 7210 Keystone Road, Richmond, IL 60071, Richmond Township, Section 32, in Glacial Park:

Caretaker House:

This is a former horse barn used for the stallions that was converted to dog kennels when the site was used first used as a hunting lodge. Then the north and east end was converted into a caretaker house. It has been lived in through April 2009. It is a T-plan one-story structure on a concrete slab (no basement). It is recommended that the former barn windows(4-pane)/doors (sliding) that are still in the west end be removed prior to demolition to be re-used in other barn restorations within the district sites.

"V.I.P." Quarters:

This structure is built into the hill and is on multiple levels. It has the feel of an "out-west" ski rental condo. However, one problem with this structure is that since it is on so many levels (a step or two up-and-down between several rooms), it has been deemed by architects that it cannot be readily made handi-cap accessible.

Shed converted into Secondary Caretaker's Quarters:

This smaller house is a former shed that was converted into a small apartment style living quarters.

Garage:

This is the former storage garage/shed. (Note however the large "shop" is being retained for maintenance purposes.)

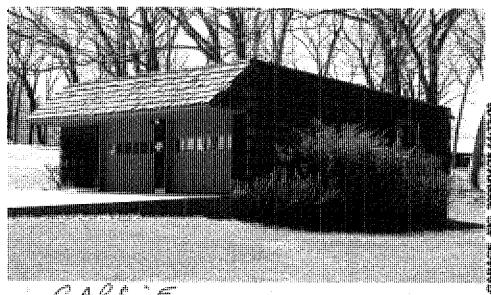
Photographs of each are attached.

Sincerely, Gail Brown

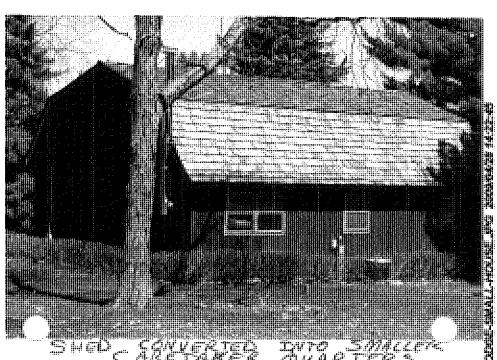


"VIA" GYARTERS

CARETAKER HOUSE



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McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission May 6, 2009 Meeting Report Submitted by Gloria Mack

Joint Council – The April 29th Joint Council of Historic Groups Meeting that was held at the Glacial Park Conference Center formerly the Frank Howard Estate was well attended. We had 45 attendees from the following organizations; Polly Crandall Questers, McHenry Landmark Commission, Village of Spring Grove, McHenry Co. Barn Association, Marengo Historic Society, McHenry Co. Historical Society, McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission, Algonquin Historic Preservation Commission, Landmarks IL, McHenry Co. P & D Dept., Crystal Lake Historical Society, Crystal Lake Main Street Program, Woodstock Opera House, Woodstock Historical Society, Huntley Historic Society and Cary Grove Historical Society. There were several people who attended who were not associated with any group.

Our Speakers Lisa DeChiera and Adam Kingsley were very informative. Lisa spoke on Landmarks IL's work in McHenry County and other projects throughout the state. Adam spoke on the challenge to the Chicago Historic Preservation Ordinance.

Gail Brown conducted a tour of the Frank Howard home which is connected to the Glacial Park Conference Center.

Our September meeting is still in the planning stage. We are hoping to get Michael Jackson, State of IL HPC architect. We had tentatively planned to have the meeting at the Spring Grove Fish Hatchery, but it is undergoing restoration and we will plan on spring meeting at the Fish Hatchery.

Bicentennial Committee.

Chairman Tina Hill and I are working on a presentation concerning the Lincoln Oak planting program to present to the McHenry County Council of Mayors. We are on their June agenda. We are tentatively planning to package 2 trees and an engraved rock marker for \$75 or \$100.

4/29/09 NWHERALD → LOCAL BEST BETS COUNCIL TO HOST

SPRING MEETING

RINGWOOD - The Joint Council of Historic Groups will host its spring meeting today to discuss updated information concerning the recent legal defeat of the Chicago preservation ordinance.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Glacial Park Conference Center, 6316 Harts Road, Ringwood.

Lisa DiChiera and Brian
Kingsley of the Landmarks
Preservation Council of Illinois
will host a discussion on the
city ordinance, which might
affect preservation ordinances
throughout the state. The
meeting is open to the public.

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By AMBER KROSEL

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In the 1940s, Victory Gardens were a necessity for those who tended them

Although younger generations might not be familiar with the name or the concept, some say its resources can prove to be timeless even after more than a half-century.

Victory Gardens were used during World Wars I and II when families faced severe food shortages and rationing. The idea was to use what was right below their feet – the family yard – for sustenance.

According to the Revive the Victory Garden organization, more than one-third of the food consumed in 1943 in the United States came from

What is a Victory Garden?

During World Wars I and II, the U.S. government asked its citizens to plant gardens to support the war effort. In 1943, Americans planted more than 20 million Victory Gardens, and the harvest accounted for almost one-third of all vegetables consumed in the country that year.

Source: www.revivevictorygarden.org

backyard gardens. What could not be used immediately was canned and preserved for winter.

"If you look back to World War[s] I and II, Victory Gardens saved our nation back then," said Laurie Selpien, a lifelong gardener and member of the

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Two free seminars scheduled for Saturday

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McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission. "It's a wonderful resource most people have forgotten."

Although today's tough economy has not caused as serious of a mass need for food, local families who are struggling to put food on the table still can transform a simple garden into a Victory.

Selpien and the county Historic Preservation Commission have researched several local garden centers that offer free seminars on starting and maintaining a vegetable garden.

The following are the next available sessions:

- 8:30 a.m. Saturday at Tom's Farm Market and Greenhouses, 10214 Algonquin Road, Huntley. Call 847-669-3421 for reservations before Thursday.
- 10 a.m. Saturday at The Barn Nursery and Landscape Center, 8109 S. Route 31, Cary. Call 847-658-3883 for reservations.

For information on Victory Gardens, contact a local garden center or Selpien at Iselpien@msn. com.

Energy upgrades threaten older homes

BY SALLY ZIMMERMAN

years, the major threat to old houses and historic neighborhoods has been teardowns for McMansions. But rising energy costs and the burst of the housing bubble have dampened the teardown phenomenon. More people are hunkering down in their existing homes, which has slowed

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the wholesale replacement of our historic housing stock. Unfortunately, an even greater threat is suddenly looming.

As gas prices fluctuate and household budgets shrink, as our country struggles for independence from foreign oil, attempts to improve the energy efficiency of older houses could put them on the endangered-species list. To date, the green-building movement has focused largely on new construction, and certainly, the stories of

superinsulated houses and net-zero houses offer great examples for reducing energy consumption. If we apply the lessons of these leading-edge projects to all existing houses without taking historic architecture into account, however, we risk losing something of great value.

Preservationists and environmentalists can agree on the need to reduce energy consumption in our homes. By some counts, there are an estimated 58 million uninsulated, pre-1970s houses in the United States, and these houses must be part of any viable energy strategy. Existing homes also represent a vast storehouse of embodied energy far too valuable to discard. We must fit these houses for a new energy future, but we can't afford a one-size-fits-all approach. We need something more nuanced, particularly for those houses we consider historic.

Older homes weave a historic tapestry

Let's consider older houses first, say, those built after about

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1870 when central heating became standard. These are often the background buildings in established communities and neighborhoods—the streetcar suburbs, the 1920s speculative subdivisions, the GI Billsponsored housing developments. Many were simple houses to begin with, but they have been altered and updated, perhaps not sympathetically. Although they're not "historic" by the standard definition, that doesn't mean we can afford to tear them down because they're outmoded or inefficient.

These houses define whole neighborhoods with their presence, the rhythm of their rooflines, the regular spacing and setback of porches, side yards,

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and driveways. Less architecturally distinctive individually and often built with stock components, these houses are significant in the aggregate as attractive and often affordable dwellings, and as a reflection of the great historical movements of the 19th and 20th centuries.

More than just cultural artifacts, these houses may also offer some of the best opportunities for "greening." Many of them start off green because they're in densely settled, urban neighborhoods still relatively well served by public transit. They're built with more or less modern platform framing, and incorporate more or less modern heating, plumbing, and lighting systems. Even

though they're outmoded, these systems were designed to support a lifestyle not all that different from today's. These homes can adapt gracefully, sustaining extensive upgrades for energy conservation. They may be prime candidates for blown-in cellulose wall insulation, for example, or for gut rehabilitation, which would allow for sprayed-in-place foam insulation.

Up-front costs might be prohibitive

More problematic for a modest older house is superinsulation, which is usually the first step in a deep-energy retrofit. Superinsulation often doubles the code-required R-values of walls and roofs, with R-40 walls and R-60 roofs being the goal. The Boston Globe recently reported on a pilot case of superinsulating an 80-year-old, two-family house outside Boston. The cost of applying several inches of rigid-foam insulation to the exterior sheathing and the roof, and of installing the ventilation controls needed to maintain proper moisture levels, topped \$100,000 (much of it picked up by an energy-company sponsor). Even if we factor in potential incentives, economies of scale as these projects become more common, and steeply rising energy costs, most people still can't afford a sixfigure bill.

Also, superinsulation often requires the complete removal of siding, trim, windows, plaster, and finishes, stressing landfills, wasting embodied energy, and stripping away much of the charm, character, and historical value that attract people to these modest older houses in the first place. Superinsulation and deep-energy retrofits also

involve a full-scale modification of the entire building envelope, conditioning (heating and cooling) the whole interior space from attic to cellar as one seamless and integrated system. This work requires a comprehensive understanding of building science. Done incorrectly, as it is sure to be in many cases, it can lead to mold, rot, and indoorair pollution. Perhaps the most likely outcome of a large-scale push toward deep-energy retrofits of older, less well-maintained homes is an increase in wholehouse teardowns as owners and developers weigh the costs of new construction against these modifications.

Historic houses are a greater responsibility

For truly historic homes, however—those that are older, rarer, more fragile, or more culturally significant—balancing preservation and environmental considerations is even more delicate. When you look at the historic house built 150, 200, or 250 years ago, then the question of energy efficiency must be weighed against the potential for cultural loss.

The great 19th-century English architectural writer John Ruskin said that we are the stewards of certain old buildings and have no right to harm or destroy them. Ruskin admonished that old buildings "are not ours, they belong partly to those who built them and partly to all the generations of mankind who are to follow us...What we ourselves have built we are at liberty to throw down; but what other men gave their strength, and wealth, and life to accomplish, their right over does not pass away."

For certain houses—the hand-hewn timber-frame 1728

Georgian saltbox; the boardand-batten Gothic-revival cottage with its bargeboards, finials, and crockets; the intact, oak-paneled Sears, Roebuck mail-order bungalow—we need not just a different

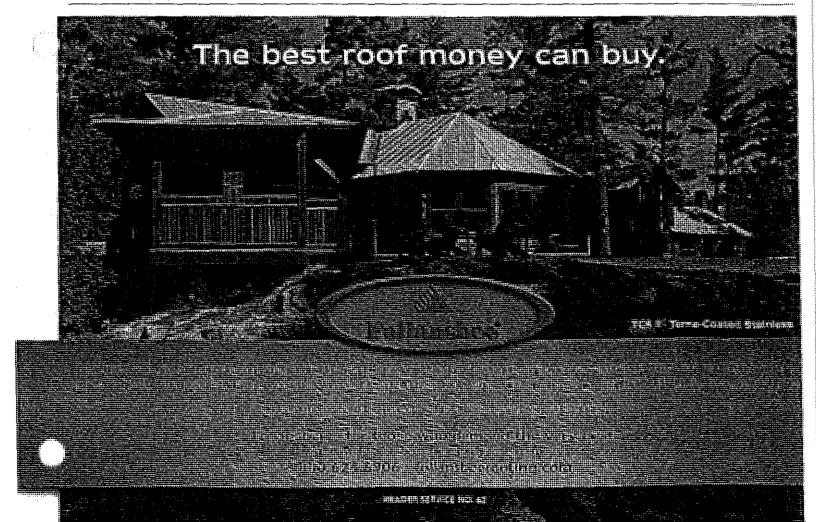
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approach to rendering the dwelling more comfortable or energy efficient, but a whole different attitude toward ownership. If an old house has survived with its finishes, structure, and character intact, it is an increasingly precious and irreplaceable artifact.

From an energy standpoint, a house built in the 1840s or 1850s just as furnaces were being developed (and certainly those constructed earlier) operates on entirely different principles thau the houses we build today. To expect that old house to adapt to us and to our needs and current-day comforts-without our making any concessions in return-is presumptuous and disrespectful. At the very least, we need to accommodate our needs, and those of the environment we have brought into crisis, in ways that ensure no permanent or irreversible damage is done to the historic structure. We would do well to remember that when all of these houses were originally built and occupied, they supported a far more

sustainable lifestyle than ours is today.

Perhaps the preservation approach to insulating historically valuable houses should be called a "shallow-energy" retrofit, limiting insulation to easily accessible spaces such as attics and using removable materials such as loose-fill cellulose or fiberglass. (Even still, building-science data proving that wall insulation poses no threat to historic houses has yet to be developed.) Through comprehensive but reversible treatments, including careful caulking of interiors and exteriors for air-sealing; wrapping heating ducts and hot-water pipes; repairing (rather than replacing) historic wood windows and adding high-quality storm windows; as well as



upgrading, maintaining, or installing mechanical systems and appliances for peak performance, a reasonable level of comfort, savings, and conservation can be achieved. And perhaps "reasonably green" should

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be good enough for old and historic homes.

Preservationists need to step up

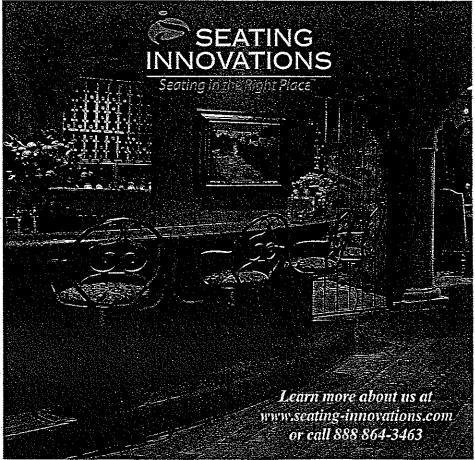
To date, the work of preservationists has not been as practical.

as it now needs to be. We can't complain about invasive energy upgrades if we don't provide more options for achieving reasonable energy improvements that work within the parameters of an older house. We need to accept that some losses of historic fabric will occur, but trust that appropriate energy interventions can be scaled to a house's age and architectural merit. We must advocate for better research on the long-term impact of energy interventions, and help to develop detailed, user-friendly sources for owners and contractors working on energy upgrades, similar to the recently developed ReGreen guidelines of the U.S. Green Building Council and the American Society of Interior Designers (www.regreenprogram.org).

Older and historic houses stand on the brink of a new era of scarce energy resources and stringent new conservation demands. But old houses have adapted before—to new mechanical systems, to new architectural styles, and to new ways of living. If they are to adapt yet again for a greener world, old houses need to be respected for their character, for their precious materials, for the historica significance of their construction methods, and for the humanizing contribution they make to our communities. They need to be protected from energy "cures" that are worse than the colds they seek to alleviate.

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MONTHLY REPORT June 3, 2009

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Our May meeting was attended by two of the four candidates for the Commission's open positions, Ms. Trisha Doornbosch and Mr. Steven Greely. The Commission now awaits action by the County Board for approval of these nominations.

STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Old House Resources

- I have contacted Bob & Randi Rewoldt regarding the damage to their home. As of this writing, I have not inspected it, but the damage is due to insect infestation, in the area of the front portico. I will report any activity I imitiate on the repair of this structure if I am asked to do it.
- Lead Remediation in older houses: Attached is a recent article from the Journal of Light Construction on lead abatement in older homes. It is of particular interest to us as our stock of historic and older structures may well have lead-based paint, insulation or other materials within them. The EPA will be requiring work done on all homes or "child-occupied businesses" built before 1978 to be done by contractors certified in lead safety training and registered by that agency. The requirements for this work appear to be stringent and possibly costly, adding much overhead and recordkeeping to any residential rehab project. This may impact historic renovation negatively, reducing the interest of owners to bear the added cost of projects, or attempting to do work without the use of certified and licensed contractors. I will be monitoring this carefully in the coming months.

2. Communications

The website has been updated with several new color photos of various Landmarked sites. I spent several days gathering photos and plan to travel to all the sites to get more. Chunn's Burying Ground has been added to the Landmark List and Tour, along with a cobbled synopsis of its background.

The website's inquiry email address ("information@mchhpc.org) has been successfully routed to me, and I am anxiously awaiting the many inquiries soon to come.

I have also requested that the members provide me with a small biography for our "members" page.

3. Miscellaneous

The tenth annual meeting of the McHenry County Historical Barn Preservation Association has been slated for June 20, 2009 at the Peter Tinkler barn, 11314 McConnell Road, Woodstock. Included activities are a tour of the barn, a nice catered meal and a barn dance. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Nick Chirikos

New Rules for Lead-Safe Remodeling

If you plan to work on pre-1978 houses, you'll need certification by April 2010

p until now, remodelers have been able to sidestep most of the EPA's lead paint rules - including the pre-renovation education provision in effect since 1999 — as long as they weren't "abating," or permanently eliminating, lead-based paint hazards. But beginning next year, projects that disturb more than 6 square feet of potentially contaminated surface inside a building or 20 square feet outside will be subject to the RPA's 2008 Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting rule. Most of the provisions of the new

> remodelers who work on homes or "child-occupied" businesses (such as schools or daycare centers) built before 1978 will need to be registered with the EPA and undergo certified lead-safety training. Work-practice and re-

> > cord-keeping procedures will also fall under the EPA's jurisdiction, though the program may actually be run by state agencies.

Phuse-in of the new rulewas launched back in December 2008, when renovators had to start giving property owners and occupants the updated EPA pamphlet "Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers and Schools" before beginning work. Starting next year, contractors will also have to get signatures from owners or occupants acknowledging receipt of the pamphlet, and notify them in writing of the scope, location, and expected starting and ending dates of the planned project.

The new rule is the result of a four-yearlong EPA study showing that renovation work - including weatherization, window replacement, hvac modifications, demolition of interior plaster walls, and drilling and sawing into painted wood and plaster - exposes both occupants and workers to the same kind of hazards as lead-paint abatement. And even though painting isn't considered a renovation or remodeling activity, it too is subject to the new regulations if the surface to be painted is disturbed by sanding, scraping, or other activities that cause dust.

Certification and Training

The EPA says that firms should start applying in October 2009 for certification to conduct renovations. Under EPA rules, u "firm" can be any company, partnership, corporation, sole proprietorship, or individual that performs renovations for compensation. By next April, this EPA certification - essentially a license will be required of everyone performing renovations in pre-1978 housing, whether he or she is a self-employed contractor or an employee of a large remodeling

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company. Initial firm certification costs \$300 and must be renewed every five years (for information and forms, go to epa.gov/lead/pubs/renovation.htm.)

Training. At least one renovator from each firm needs to be trained and certified in the eight-hour course Lead Safety for Renovation, Repair, and Remodeling, which was developed jointly by the EPA and HUD. The course fee is determined by the individual trainers who administer the test. Contractors who have already taken a lead-safety course from HUD/EPA need take only a four-hour refresher to be certified. Certifications are good for five years and must be in place before April 22, 2010. Note that since a sole proprietorship is considered by the BPA to be a firm, self-employed contractors have to have renovator training and accreditation as well as firm certification.

On each job site, there must be at least one certified renovator who makes sure

that other employees follow lead-safe work practice standards. In addition to training workers, the certified renovator is responsible for setting up the containment and lead-dust collection, and for supervising and verifying cleanup.

Lead Testing

According to federal standards, any surface coating with a lead content of 1 milligram (or more) per square centimeter — or 0.5 percent or more by weight — is a lead-based paint. There are three methods for determining lead content; chemical spot tests, X-ray fluorescence (XRF), and laboratory analysis.

Test kits. Inexpensive chemical spot testing kits are widely available and accurate enough for most renovation work. They typically include a swab or dropper that you use to apply a chemical reagent to the paint. If the paint contains approximately 0.5 percent or more of lead by weight, the reagent changes color. All of the layers of paint must be exposed when you're using a test kit, especially if the area has been painted in the last 20 years. (The top layers are most likely latex, which would produce a negative test result.)

Chemical spot testing provides instant results, but these kits aren't always accurate, since there are substances other than lead that also may react with the reagent. Still, preliminary testing is a good first step. If you get a positive result, you either need to follow lead-safe work procedures or optfor more definitive XRF or lab analysis. Even if the test is negative and you don't intend to take any precautions, it's always a good idea when you're working

on pre-1978 housing to hire someone to perform a lead inspection or risk assessment of the area to confirm that no leadbased paint is present.

The EPA is currently evaluating commercially available chemical spot testing kits, which range in price from about \$8 to \$30 apiece. While there are several on the market (for a detailed review, see the September 2008 issue of Consumer Reports), only two presently meet the EPA's criterion of a 5 percent false-negative rate. One is LeadCheck (Hybrivet Systems, 800/262-5323, leadcheck.com), a swabtype test kit available in retail outlets and online. The other was developed by the Massachusetts Division of Occupational Safety and is available only to that state's certified lead inspectors and risk assessors.

XRF. A portable X-ray fluorescence

Future Sample Pro-Renovation Form
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Before beginning work on pre-1978 housing, remodelers must give the building's owner and occupants copies of the pamphlet "Renovate Right" (below). They also must keep on file signed pre-renovation forms (left) acknowledging receipt of the pamphlets.



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analyzer is accurate and fast and lets you test many surfaces at the same time without disturbing the paint or coating. But XRP machines are expensive, and testing must be done by a trained and licensed technician who is EPA-certified as either a lead inspector or lead risk assessor. The cost to test a single home can be a few hundred dollars.

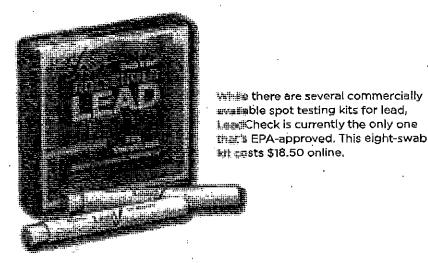
Laboratory analysis. XRF testing isn't as reliable when there are borderline lead levels, in which case the actual lead content should be verified in a lab. Atomic absorption analysis (AAS) determines the percentage of lead by weight and is considered the most definitive method of lead analysis. One disadvantage is that it requires a chip sample containing the entire coating down to the underlying substrate - without any of the actual substrate itself. A second disadvantage is that it tests only the area where the chip was taken from; if the scope of the job increases, you have to take further samples to determine if the new areas contain lead.

Laboratory testing must be performed by EPA-certified technicians; they typically charge as little as \$35 per sample and provide results in a couple of weeks (faster turnarounds usually cost more).

Safe Work Practices

If you already place a high priority on jobsite dust control, working safely around lead-based paint really isn't all that complicated. The keys are isolating the jobsite, managing dust and debris effectively, and keeping the work area clean.

Containment. To keep nonworkers out, work areas should be posted with signs from the beginning of the project to the end, when post-renovation clean-up has been completed. Before getting started, remove everything you can from the workspace, cover large fixtures or furniture that can't be moved with plastic, and contain the area with 4-mil or 6-mil poly



sheeting that's been taped down so dust can't escape. Ductwork should be closed and sealed with plastic, and windows closed. If the floor isn't part of the project, it too should be covered.

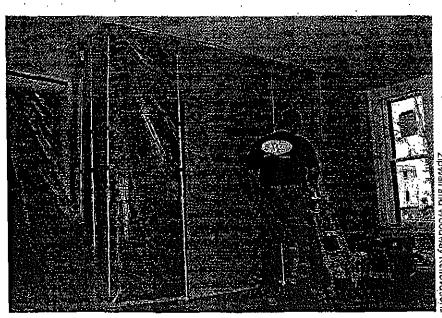
For exterior renovations, doors and windows within 20 feet of the work area should be closed. To collect any falling debris, cover the ground with poly sheeting that extends at least 10 feet beyond the work area, or — if space is constrained — as far as possible.

Necessary equipment. Every remodeler should have a good HEPA (high-efficiency

particulate air) dust-collection system. Sanding, grinding, and power planing are specifically prohibited unless the tool has a dust-collection shroud and is connected to vacuum with a HEPA-rated filter.

Propane torches can no longer be used to remove lead-based paint. Heat guns that operate at temperatures lower than 1,100°F are okay because they don't create fumes when the paint is heated.

If you have to remove paint, a chemical paint stripper like Peel-Away (Dumond Chemicals, 800/656-5053, peelaway.com) can be effective. Lye-based and highly



To keep job-site dust contained, remodelers will need to set up an effective barrier system, use shrouded power tools connected to a HEPA vacuum, and clean up thoroughly.

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alkaline, Peel-Away isn't as hazardous as traditional methylene chloride-based strippers but still should be handled carefully. Soy-based and citrus-based strippers — considered by some to be greener options — are also available. Or you can remove paint with steam or infrared heat.

A simple dust mask isn't sufficient protection when working with lead; at minimum, you'll need a NIOSH-rated N100 or HEPA respirator, even if the tools you're using are connected to a HEPA vac. Disposable coveralls, shoe covers, and gloves aren't required but can make it less likely that lead dust will be tracked home from a job.

Minimizing dust. Misting areas before sanding or cutting is a good way to reduce airborne dust. Another is to score painted surfaces with a utility knife before removing trim. Some remodelers use negative air machines to depressurize a room during heavy demolition. These machines — unlike a fan set in the window — force the exhaust air through HEPA filtration to capture any dust before it leaves the room. But if you're doing a good job of capturing and controlling dust where it's created, a negative air machine is probably redundant.

Cleanup. Work areas should be thoroughly cleaned every day, with dust, chips, and debris collected and folded up in the protective plastic so that everything is contained before being discarded. Dust and debris also need to be contained when they're transported off the job site, and must be handled according to local regulations.

Cleaning should be done from the top down, starting with a HEPA vacuum and finishing up with wet cleaning or mopping of all surface areas with a strong household detergent. Post-Renovation Verification Once the work is completed, the certified renovator must conduct a thorough visual inspection to make sure no lead-dust or contaminated debris is left behind. If there's any visible residue, the area must be cleaned again. Every interior renovation requires a cleaning verification test, which the certified renovator performs using a damp disposable cleaning cloth matched against a standard "cleaning verification card." These cards — which are still being developed — will be distributed and approved by the EPA.

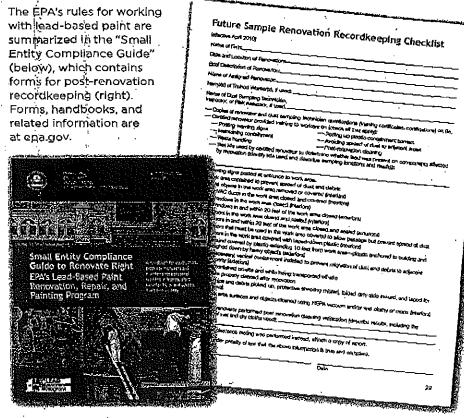
Exterior renovations won't require a cleaning verification card but must be visually inspected by the certified renovator. Only when no dust or debris remains in the work area, on window sills, or on the ground can warning signs be removed.

Recordkeeping

Records related to each job must be kept

on file for three years (though statutes of limitations on negligence lawsuits in some states may require that records be kept for up to six years). These include signed and dated notification records, mailing receipts, homeowner waivers, and other related information. Documentation of compliance that a certified renovator supervised the job in accordance with EPA guidelines is also required. Information about test-kit results must be provided to the person who contracted the renovation within 30 days of completion of the job, and all lead test results both negative and positive - should be kept on file.

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Date:

6/3/2009

To:

HPC

From:

Gail Brown, McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission, Sites Com-

mittee

Re: SURVEY COMMITTEE REPORT - - - Monthly Report

Current Projects this month:

The allotted time this month was spent on special projects as follows - - -

- ~ Updated Comprehensive LandmarkList for the last few landmarks that were new since the last update (see attached).
- Updated the Landmark Handout text to add these same landmarks (see attached).
- Did Initial Report for Barber Cemetery landmark nomination (see attached).
- Building demolition documentation (see attached).



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Date:

5/6/2009

To:

Tom McCarthy,

MCCD Land & Facilities Manager

From:

Gail Brown,

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission,

Site Inventory Committee Chairman

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Nancy Fike,

McHenry County Historical Society

Re:

EVALUATION of MCCD Structures Prior to Demolition (Outbuildings at Glacial Park "Lodge" Conference Center)

Based on the current Master Plan of the site and based on MCCD Board approval of the plan, four of the former outbuildings in the Lodge complex are going to be removed due to maintenance costs and site reconfiguration. This serves to document them prior to demolition and does not attempt to evaluate the structures due to fact that they are modern structures and not part of the original histore structures on the site.

These structures are detailed as follows and are all located at 7210 Keystone Road, Richmond, IL 60071, Richmond Township, Section 32, in Glacial Park:

Caretaker House:

This is a former horse barn used for the stallions that was converted to dog kennels when the site was used first used as a hunting lodge. Then the north and east end was converted into a caretaker house. It has been lived in through April 2009. It is a T-plan one-story structure on a concrete slab (no basement). It is recommended that the former barn windows(4-pane)/doors (sliding) that are still in the west end be removed prior to demolition to be re-used in other barn restorations within the district sites.

"V.I.P." Quarters:

This structure is built into the hill and is on multiple levels. It has the feel of an "out-west" ski rental condo. However, one problem with this structure is that since it is on so many levels (a step or two up-and-down between several rooms), it has been deemed by architects that it cannot be readily made handi-cap accessible.

Shed converted into Secondary Caretaker's Quarters:

This smaller house is a former shed that was converted into a small apartment style living quarters.

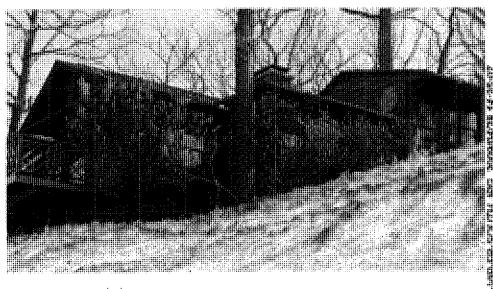
Garage:

This is the former storage garage/shed. (Note however the large "shop" is being retained for maintenance purposes.)

Photographs of each are attached.

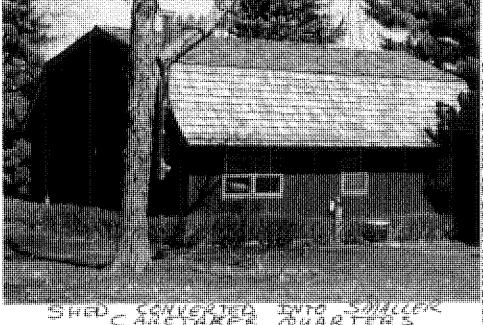
Sincerely, Gail Brown





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Re:

EVALUATION of MCCD Structures Prior to Demolition

(Barn near LITH Fen)

This site is proposed demolition in conjunction with land acquisition of a new parcel being added on to an existing site. After site inspection and structure examination, the building is in a very poor state of disrepair and should be removed for health and safety reasons. Actually it is already in a state of "demolition by neglect".

The following serves to document this structure. (see attached photos)

<u>LITH Fen Barn:</u> (Located to the east of the intersection of Randall Road and Ackie man Road, behind the CVS Pharmacy; Section 17 of Algonquin Township. It is currently owned by the City of Crystal Lake and will have ownership of the parcel transferred over to MCCD after site clean-up has taken place.)

This is a small Dairy Gambrel barn. It is the only structure remaining on the site. It has a small attached milkhouse on the southwest corner, former milking area on the lower level that was converted to storage, and hay mow/grain room on the upper level with a banked entrance to the hay mow. It is totally overgrown and the roof has been missing for years. There is not any scavangable material. However, MCCD will be doing asbestos abatement on the interior of the milkhouse, grain room and stored ceiling tiles.

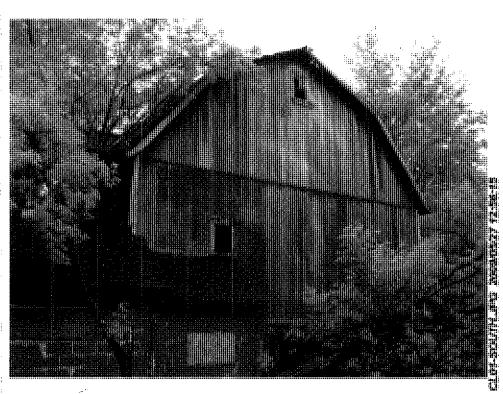
The 1872 Plat book map does not show a farmstead here. Based on the construction technique and style, it is a relatively modern barn from the mid-1900's.

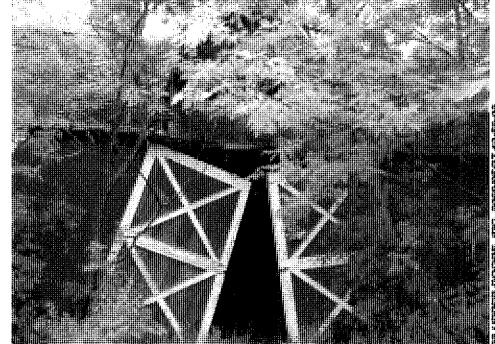
Besides the state of disrepair, this barn has been neglected too long to be able to be brought back. Therefore, I totally concur with the removal of this building.

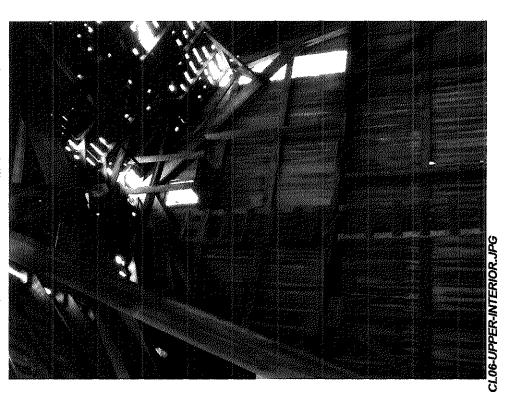
Sincerely, Gail Brown



















McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission c/o McHenry County Dept. of Planning & Development

2200 North Seminary ~ Woodstock, IL 60098 815 - 334 - 4560

Date:

6/3/2009

To:

Tom McCarthy,

MCCD Land & Facilities Manager

From:

Gail Brown,

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission,

Site Inventory Committee Chairman

Copy:

Nancy Fike,

McHenry County Historical Society

Re:

EVALUATION of MCCD Structures Prior to Demolition

(Alden Route 173 Farm Buildings)

This site is planned for proposed demolition in conjunction with land acquisition of a new parcel added on to an existing site. After site inspection and structure examination of this site, all of the buildings are in a very poor state of disrepair and should be removed for health and safety reasons. Actually they are already in the state of "demolition by neglect".

The following serves to document these structures. (see attached photos)

Alden Sedge Meadow Farmstead: (Located on the north side of Route 173 between Hebron and Alden; 15417 Route 173, Hebron; Section 14 of Alden Township. It is known as the "Berry 2" parcel; has been owned for over a year, but has been in a farm lease to the previous owner.)

This farmstead is a "road-split" farmstead where the farmhouse is located on the one side of the road with the barns on the other. The house and outbuildings on the south side of the road are still owned by the farmer and were cut out of the parcel for the sale. MCCD only owns the parcel and farm buildings on the north side of Route 173.

The farmstead is listed in the 1872 Plat book as being the "Joseph Brines Estate". The house (not in this demolition) on the south side of the road is a vernacular Italianate circa 1870-1880's which could be a second house on the farm and not the original.

At first, the smaller portion of the barn appeared to possibly be an old three-bay threshing barn, but on closer examination, it did not have the old timbers and construction techniques of an older barn. Both the smaller end barn by the road and the big tranverse frame barn behind it are of sawn lumber without any large timbers nor square nails. The large barn is in such disrepair that you can easily see through the barn for all of the missing siding.

Also accompanying these barns are 2 concrete staved silos, an attached milkhouse, the remnants of a windmill and pumphouse, a machine shed, a livestock shed and 2 wire corn cribs.

Besides the state of disrepair, the excessive manure build-up and disgarded debris everywhere have resulted in these buildings being neglected too long to be able to be brought back. Therefore, I totally concur with the removal of all of these buildings.

Sincerely, Gail Brown



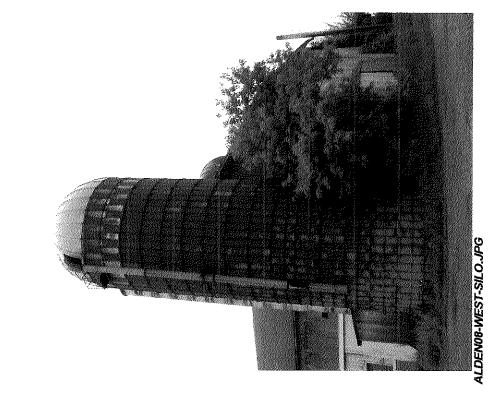


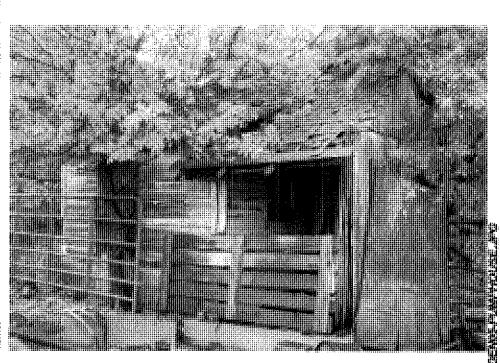




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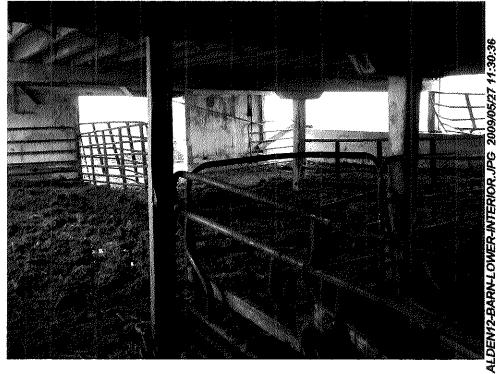




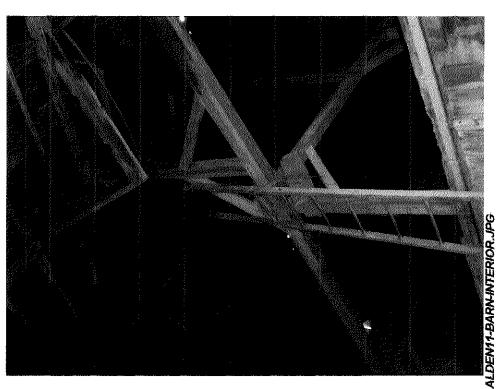






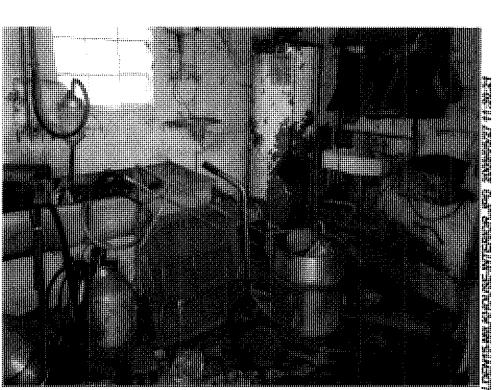












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Allendale Steel Truss Bridge, Greenwood

The Allendale Steel Truss Bridge was a replacement bridge in 1939, being the third bridge on this site. The first bridge was built in 1846 and was of wooden construction. The second bridge was built in 1915 and was constructed of steel and concrete. This third bridge's construction type is a "single span Warren steel pony truss bridge" and was constructed for a cost of just over \$10,000. The Allendale steel truss bridge is now one of the few remaining steel truss bridges left in McHenry County, but will soon be updated.

Carr-Harrison Cemetery, Ringwood

This is a double family cemetery that became one over the passing of time as the two families were eventually joined in matrimony in 1860. Joseph Carr purchased his land including the western half of this cemetery in 1837. John Harrison purchased his land including the eastern half of the cemetery in 1842. This family cemetery is still in use by both families 160 years later.

Stowell-Deicke Farmstead, Huntley

This farmstead is one of the earliest in the area, with the land originally being owned by the Stowell family which was prominent in Huntley's early development. For many years it was the Cummings family farm of which Cummings was an early Huntley mayor. Both the barn and the house are of hand-hewn timber postand beam construction. On this farmstead other early outbuildings have survived through time including the silo, stone-lined well, stone smokehouse, chicken coop and the original grain/corn crib. Later it was owned by Deicke family having became a prominent Huntley family and contributed greatly to the Huntley area.

Trout Valley Stonegate Entrance, Trout Valley

This stone-gated entrance to Stonegate Road was constructed in the 1920's by John D. Hertz (who founded the Yellow Cab Company in Chicago which later became Hertz Rental Car Company) as a grand entrance to his estate, which was the home for 2 Kentucky Derby winners. The estate was sold to the Curtiss Candy Company and was also used for raising prize bulls. Later it was owned by the G. D. Seale Company. In 1953 when the estate was developed, the gates remained as reminders of the past.

Chunn's Burying Ground, Fox River Grove

T.R. Chunn and Joshua Stevens were the original settlers and owners of this property. Chunn died the day after Christmas in 1843 and was buried here on his property thus starting the cemetery. Stevens died shortly after and was also buried here. This cemetery is also known as Oak Glen Cemetery named after the Oak Glen grist mill and the neighboring residence that used to be Oak Glen School which was started in the 1850's. Over 100 graves were once located here prior to some of them being relocated to Algonquin Cemetery. Now there are just a few headstones and several unmarked graves.

McHenry County Landmarks

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McHenry County Board

Tryon Grove Farm, near Ringwood

The residence of Captain Charles Hopkins Tryon (until circa 1900) is an outstanding example of cross-gabled bracketed Italianate architecture. The farm also retains many of its original farm structures. Charles Hopkins Tryon was the eldest son of Bela and Harriet Tryon who established the farmstead in 1837. Bela was the first postmaster of Hebron and Harriet named Hebron Township.

John B. Walkup House, Crystal Lake

This cobblestone Greek Revival house is one of the few remaining cobblestone houses in McHenry County. It was built in 1856 of cobblestones brought from Lake Michigan. It is a good representative example of Greek Revival architecture with its cornice returns, 6-over-6 light windows, and front door surround including transom and side light windows. John B. Walkup was one of the early settlers and the founder of the town of Nunda.

Old Greenwood School, Greenwood Road

The Greenwood School was built in 1859 by subscription of yellow Milwaukee brick. It is Greek Revival in style with its cornice returns, front door surround and stone lintels. The upper story was used for the high school while the lower room was the "graded school". This served as the community's school until 1948 when it was sold at auction.

Diggins School, River Road, Marengo

The Diggins School was built in 1914 and has excellent architectural integrity except that the bell-tower was removed. However, the bell is still on the property as is the original merry-go-round, teeter-totter and flagpole. It's "hooded" front entry sets it off from the average frame school house. Although the school is now being used as a residence, the original light fixtures, water coolers, desks and chalkboard are still in the interior of the school.

Ormsby-Starck House, McConnell Road

The original portion of the William and Lucia Ormsby house was built in 1861. In 1946, Philip and Elizabeth Starck purchased the house and had noted architect, John Vincent Anderson, remodel and add to the original house. The result was a 22 room, 6,5000 square-foot home with added details including marble slabbed bathrooms and white oak paneled walls in the library complete with a secret closet.

John James House, Greenwood Road

This house was built by John James who settled here in 1842 from New Hampshire. John James was one of the first 12 founding members of the Baptist Church of Greenwood. He was also active in township politics and in the 1860's was the "overseer of the poor". Although this house has some Greek Revival features, due to its layout and symmetry, it is considered to be of the Georgian architectural style which is uncommon for this area in this time period.

Holcombville School, Crystal Springs Road

In 1858 one-half acre of land was purchased by the school directors from Sutherland Ingersoil for \$12.25. This one-room schoolhouse was named after the Holcomb family that lived nearby as is the local cemetery. It operated as a school until 1946 when it was closed due to consolidation. The school was built out of brick with the decorative brickwork at the cornice to represent dentils and cornice returns. It has never been converted to alternate uses and is in its original condition.

The Newman House, Brink Street, Harvard

The Frank and Louisa Newman house was built in 1873 on land purchased by the Newman's in 1867. It is built in the Italianate style out of bricks thought to have been made on site. Newman and his father-in-law, Washington Hammond, were both brick masons by trade and thought to have operated a brick yard and kiln on site. Several initials and names are pressed into the bricks that were made to be used in this house. The personalized imprints can still be seen in the bricks. Both Newman and Hammond served in the Civil War at Vicksburg.

Ostend Cemetery, Route 120, McHenry

In 1842, Apollos Thompson came to settle in this area. He then brought his wife and children from their Ohio home. His wife, Lucinda, died in that first year prompting Thompson to set aside an acre of land for a cemetery. This cemetery was originally known as the "Thompson Burying Grounds", but later became known as Ostend Cemetery since this area became the small town of Ostend. Other early settlers to Ostend included Sherman, Abbot, Francisco, Bassett and McCollum.

Christopher Walkup House, Country Club Rd.

This house was built on land purchased by Christopher Walkup in 1835 by his son, William, the same year that Christopher died, so it is also commonly referred to as the William Walkup house. The square Italianate styled house was pictured in the 1872 Plat Book of McHenry County and has been restored to much of its original appearance and grandeur.

Miller Chapel, Ringwood & Johnsburg Roads

The Miller family chapel stands today as a testament to the strengths of the early settlers. In 1863, Peter Miller died leaving his wife, Mary, to raise their 6 children. One summer, while cutting with a scythe with her oldest children, she knelt down in the field and asked the help of the Blessed Mother to raise her children. As thanks for keeping her family together, she promised to build a chapel. Later in life after her children were grown, this tiny Catholic chapel was built by her son, John, on the corner of the Miller farm to fulfill her promise. The Miller family still has mass there once a year in conjunction with a family reunion which has grown to over 100 people. The chapel stands as it was originally built with no electricity or running water.

Mount Auburn Cemetery, Brink Street

This cemetery is a tribute to the founding fathers of Harvard. The graves from the original Harvard cemetery were moved here after this cemetery was established. The landscape of this tranquil cemetery with its magnificent gardens, shrubs, trees and native prairie have become home to a multitude of birds. Central within the cemetery is a stone chapel built in 1936 with rocks contributed by the residents of Harvard.

Rudolphus Hutchinson House, Harvard

This home near the town of Big Foot was started in 1838 with construction completion in 1840. Hutchinson came from Vermont with his new bride after his first wife had died. Here they had two sons. Hutchinson was the Justice-of-the-Peace and this house also served as the courthouse, jail and stage stop. Chief Big Foot of the Potawatomi Indians who formerly lived in the surrounding prairie, came back several times as a houseguest of Hutchinson. This brick house is of the Gothic Revival style with its steep-pitched roofs and decorative finials at the peek of each gable. It is also referred to as the house of seven gables since each finial represents each of the seven zodiac signs.

Coral Township Witness Tree, Marengo

This 200 year-old tree stands as a witness to the development of McHenry County. In 1837, John Thompson and his survey crew scribed or marked this tree as a quarter section post in the original survey so that land could then be legally described and therefore bought and sold. This burr oak tree is specifically referred to in their 1837 field notes. Few witness trees have survived, but this tree and the surrounding area (50-foot circle) are now ordinance protected for the future

Huntley's Woodstock Street

Woodstock and North Streets in Huntley are one of the few remaining examples of brick streets containing old paving bricks in McHenry County. Woodstock Street was the main thoroughfare through Huntley, but due to the hill in the street, the bricks were necessary to be able to climb the hill by horse and wagon by the farmers bringing their milk into town for processing. This street is lined with mature



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Date:

5/7/2009

To:

HPC

From:

Gail Brown, McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission, Sites Committee

Re:

BARBER CEMETERY - - - INITIAL REPORT

Barber Burying Ground:

I am very pleased to see the nomination of the Barber Burying Ground come in to be proposed as our next McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission Landmark. Over 10 years ago, I was invited by a local resident to come and inspect the cemetery and school site which was then in an over-grown neglected state. I photographed it and reported on it to our commission. Having helped my grandmother care for our own family cemetery, I was greatly moved by this experience. However, since I live in the far opposite end of the county in Richmond Township, it was not possible for me to volunteer any time to this site. It is with great relief that, I now find out that local people are caring for this cemetery.

Through the years, this cemetery has been restored and then fallen back into disrepair several times. Not only is this cemetery a testament to the struggling lives of the early settlers, but it is also the final resting place of both a Civil War soldier and a soldier from the War of 1812. It is these smaller, family cemeteries that need landmark designation even more than the large ones to help protect them over time as the farmland continues to change into the future.

This landmark nomination was very thoroughly prepared and all required items were received in the original document presented to the Commission on 5/6/2009. It should be noted that the earliest burial is from 1852 with there being approximately 18 burials in the small cemetery set way off the road (over 800 feet) behind the former Barber/Java one-room schoolhouse. There are several descendants still living and people in the area that have volunteered their time and funds to restore this cemetery, therefore making it also very suitable for landmarking.

It is for all of these reasons that I whole-heartedly recommend that the Barber Burying Ground be considered as a McHenry County Hisptoric Preservation Landmark.

Sincerely,

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission June 3, 2009 Regular Meeting Report submitted by Gloria Mack

Joint Council Meeting:

- I sent notes of thanks to Lisa DiChiera and Adam Kingsley of Landmarks Illinois for their informative program and Sandy Rogers of MCCD for the refreshments that she provided at our 04/29 Joint Council Meeting at the Glacial Park Conference Center.
- Our next Joint Council meeting will be on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 @ 7PM. It will be held at Memorial Hall in Richmond. The program will be an Open Forum meeting. Each group will select a representative to present a short report on their activities. Time will be limited to 5 minutes with an unlimited time for questions and answers.

Scenic Roads:

- I will be calling a meeting of the Scenic Road Committee. We will be looking for a new Chair.
- I have a tentative meeting with the Lincoln Road applicants this Friday.

Bicentennial Committee:

Tina Hill and I are working on the Oak Program to be presented to the McHenry County Council of Mayors on June 24. Please see the attached brochure. An order blank is pending. In addition, I will try to get instructions on the care of the Oaks for the Mayors that order them.

Victory Garden:

• My Mission Committee from Church put in a Victory Garden at the site of the Wonder Lake Food Pantry. Three raised beds have been planted. With the help of local businesses everything was donated. The lumber, dirt, mulch, compost and bedding plants. Last but not least the labor. The Master Gardeners and a Community Service boy did all the physical work. I was the gopher.

Miscellaneous:

- Shirley Beene of Trout Valley called to tell me that she is still working on the Trout Valley Pool. She noted that it was on her "Bucket List".
- I met with Diana Kenny; she ordered 100 of the Dept. of the Interior Standard for Rehabilitation booklets from IHPA. Please note that IHPA and the IDNR will be under one heading now so their booklets were scheduled to be discarded. Diana order 100 for our Commission and the Historical Society.

To: Lisa DiChiera

Adam Kingsley

From: Gloria Mack

Date: May 11, 2009

Re: 04/29 Joint Council Meeting

Dear Friends:

I would like to extend my personal thanks and the sincere appreciation of the McHenry County Joint Council of Historic Groups for the program you so generously presented to our group on 04/29.

The McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission, cosponsor of the Joint Council, would especially like to commend you for your efforts on behalf of Grace Hall, Woodstock.

If our Commission can ever be of any assistance to you please feel free to contact us at the McHenry Co. Dept of Planning and Development, Maryanne Wanaski, Staff Liaison. 815-334-4089 or mayanaski@co.mchenry.il.us.

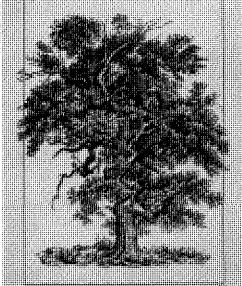
Sincerely yours,

Gloria G. Mack McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission Municipal Liaison.



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THE MCHENRY COUNTY
LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
REQUESTS YOUR PARTICIPATION

Plant A Giant Oak



Giant Oaks once graced thousands of acres in McHenry County. Abraham Lincoln, as a young lawyer, traveling during early settlement days would have witnessed vast oak savanna's as he crossed the Illinois prairie.

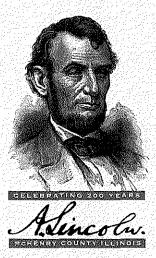
Please join us in this wonderful way of remembering President Lincoln on his 200th birthday. Help restore the Majestic Oak, a part of the history of McHenry County.

The Bicentennial Committee has selected a mixture of White and Burr Oak saplings, as recommended by the McHenry County Conservation District.

Plant one or more Giant Oaks on your municipal and/or school grounds. Mark them with the special plaque we have created to commemorate the planting as well as the significance of these majestic trees in the history of McHenry County.

The cost for oak saplings range from \$15.00 - \$25.00 depending on size and age. Specially designed rock plaques are available for \$50.00 each

Contact Tina Hill for details 815.459.6453



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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA MCHENRY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

BARBER BURYING GROUND JULY 1, 2009 7:00 P.M. McHenry County Administration Building-Room 208

l.	Call to Order
II.	Application Review
III.	Introduction of Commissioners Present
IV.	Comments from Nominator and/or Members of the Public
V .	Questions from Commissioners
VI.	Relative Criteria Read into Record
VII.	Public Hearing Closed
VIII.	Voting Meeting Opened (Call for Motion to approve designation

Commission Discussion and Vote

IX.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Huntley Park District is accepting bids for the following project:

Sun Valley Farm Barn Roofing Project

The project includes tear off and roofing the entire barn roof. 1. Barn roof must be torn down to the top plate. 2. Straighten barn walls to as close to square as possible with the existing steel rods being used if necessary. 3. Some jacking of the frame may be necessary .4. All vintage materials must be salvaged and re used if possible. 5. Replace existing 2x6" rafters with vintage 2x8" or 3x8" rafters. 6. Vintage rafters would have to be pre approved. 7. Reconstruct Gable and Eave overhangs with vintage materials. 8 Install 30# felt over rafters once constructed. 9. Install 7/16 OSB plywood over first layer of felt. 10. Apply a 15" felt over the OSB Board. 11. A galvanized metal roof edge will then be applied. Shingles will then be applied using an architectural high definition laminated asphalt simulated shake shingle 30-year minimum. The barn being an historic building must be restored to similar vintage year. All labor and vintage materials are to be included in price. Permits are to be supplied by park district.

Sealed proposals will be received on or before Monday August 24th at 1:00 P.M. in the REC Center 12015 Mill Street. Project proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

All Contractors must have 10 years experience in Historic Barn/Building Restoration and provide references to be qualified for this Project.

Contractors will be required to comply with all laws, including those relating to the employment of labor and payment of the general prevailing rate of hourly wages in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft of type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract or perform such work, also the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work, as ascertained by the Park District or by the Illinois Department of Labor for McHenry County, Illinois, shall be paid for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the contract or to perform such work.

Bid packets may be obtained from the REC Center, beginning September 12th, 2007.

The Huntley Park District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities.





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MONTHLY REPORT August 5, 2009

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The July meeting of MCHPC was preceded by a public hearing on the nomination of the Barber (Burying Ground) Cemetery, located in Riley Township. The public hearing consisted on a review of the application for Landmark status, comments by the nominators and public, questions and comments from members of HPC, and a discussion and vote to approve the designation. The nomination was approved and sent on to the full County Board which will act upon it within the next 30 to 60 days. The regular HPC meeting was convened afterward and highlighted by Ms. Brown's updated Landmark list, and Ms. Collins' Application form for the Heritage Grove program.

STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Old House Resources

• The Haligus School, now a private residence owned by Ms. Diane McGowan, was visited by this commissioner earlier this month. The owner has expressed an interest in both interior renovation and exterior restoration for future plan to apply for Landmarking.

2. Communications

• Per the Commission's vote, I contacted MC.net, a local internet service provider to inquire about web hosting and email service for our website. I was quoted \$165.00 for hosting, and an additional \$55 for email, based on annual billing. This total, \$220.00, was in excess of the amount quoted by Traverse Global. We are apparently getting quite a good deal from them, as we were "grandfathered" into their system from Virgohost, a company they bought when we were in that system. I would recommend that we stay with Traverse Global through the next annual billing cycle.

Respectfully submitted, Nick Chirikos

McHenry Co. Historic Preservation Commission Regular Meeting – 08/05/09 Report Submitted by: Gloria Mack

Joint Council of Historic Group's fall meeting will be held on September 23rd, 7PM, at Memorial Hall on Route 12 in Richmond. We will have an evening of reports from the historic groups that are present. Each group will be allowed 5 minutes to fill us in on their activities. A contract for our use of Memorial Hall will be forwarded to staff when I receive it. I will drop off the meeting flier on Monday for staff to reproduce and mail. I would appreciate the mailing to go out sometime during the last week in August. Also, if possible could the flier be reproduced on colored paper?

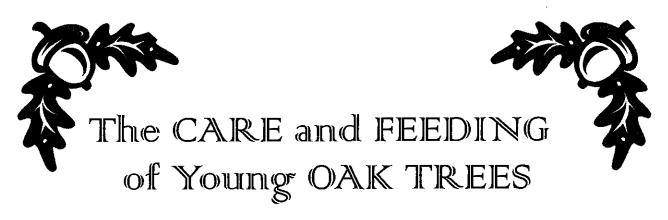
Bicentennial Committee: The "Plant a Giant Oak" program is in progress. Today, I had 23 Burr Oaks delivered to my house. They will be distributed by me over the next week. MCCD provided me an instruction sheet for the recipients of the oaks. Tomorrow I will order the stone markers and facilitate their delivery.

Miscellaneous:

Grants: I e-mailed Landmarks Illinois and IHPA requesting grant information.

Village of Cary – Have we received a response from the Village of Cary regarding the Landmark application?

I spoke to Maureen Mikyska, today regarding the Barber cemetery. Peggy, the other nominator will be out of town for a week. We will discuss a date for the Landmark ceremony when she returns. We are looking at late September or early October.



Just a few quick reminders:

- ☑ Make sure that you plant the trees with the top of the root ball even wih the top of the ground.
- ☑ <u>Water</u> thoroughly once per week (except during a week with more than 1" of rain).
- ☑ When planting, insert 2 or 3 metal poles a foot from the trunk. After planting, put a chicken wire or mesh fencing material around the tree supported by the posts to protect the tree from deer browsing.
- ☑ Your tree will not need any fertilizer, just water.
- ☑ Water and protect from deer for the first year or two.



Subj:

RE: A Question

Date:

7/6/2009 10:19:43 A.M. Central Daylight Time

From:

Catherine.OConnor@Illinois.gov

Dear Gloria: The grant application packet should be sent to you via post and Email toward the end of August. If you do not receive it by early September, please let me know. Yes, I would be happy to come to McHenry County, as long as we can get the weather to cooperate, next year. THANKS, Catherine

Catherine O'Connor

Manager, Local Government Services Illinois Historic Preservation Agency 1 Old State Capitol Plaza Springfield, IL 62701

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Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Mackgg

Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2009 3:15 PM

To: O'Connor, Catherine

Good Afternoon Catherine,

I hope you and yours are doing well. It's been a long time since we've seen you.

A question please, as you know, our Commission has CLG status. Diana suggested I contact your regarding the grant packet that should be forthcoming. Would you please address it to me personally, so it doesn't get lost in the shuffle at Planning and Development.

One more question, would you be available in spring of 2010 to speak at our County Joint Council of Historic Groups?

Thanks so much,

Gloria

Make your summer sizzle with fast and easy recipes for the grill.

Scenic Roads Committee

On Wednesday, July 8, the Scenic Roads Committee met at Borders in Crystal Lake. Present were Gloria Mack, Trisha Doornbosch, Lynn Gray, and Sarah Edwards. Marty Swanson was unable to make the meeting.

- 1. Trisha and Sarah will take the current Historical Preservation Commission checklist for evaluating applications, and look into modifying it for evaluating Scenic Roads applications.
- 2. Trisha will check the files of current Scenic Roads to see if there's any information that can be used as a basis for future publicity.
- 3. Lynn will look at promoting Scenic Roads to local bicycle clubs.
- 4. A tentative promotional plan was discussed:
- (a) Have a county map with the Scenic Roads marked onto the McHenry County Tourism page.
- (b) Have a county map with the Scenic Roads marked onto the McHenry County Preservation Commission site.
- (c) Contacting local bicycle clubs to make them familiar with the County's Scenic Roads.
- (d) Drawing up a press release to promote the Scenic Roads program.



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MONTHLY REPORT October 7, 2009

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

September was a very busy month for preservationists in and around the county. On October 24th and 25th, the town of Alden is having an event which will chronicle it's history. Called "Alden Days", organizers have called on present and past residents and the larger community to present materials (photos, documents, newspaper articles, family histories, etc) which will be copied or scanned for permanent archiving. There will be festivities and entertainment as well. It is a unique way to attract and collect historical information, and we should watch how successful they are.

STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Old House Resources

- Grace Hall: We are watching closely the proposed demolition of the Grace Hall in Woodstock. According to my sources, a demolition permit cannot be issued until construction plans are issued and approved. This may not happen for some months, so the structure is safe for now.
- Thriving Communities Seminar: I attended this conference, sponsored by several local governmental and environmental groups. Its focus was sustainability in design, infrastructure and resource conservation for buildings, transportation, neighborhoods and municipalities.

2. Communications

• Website: The website will be updated to include PDF file maps of our Scenic Roads.

3. Other

- September Meeting resumed: At a special continuation of the September Board meeting of HPC, the
 pending Grant Application for the McHenry County Historical Resource Guide was presented for a vote.
 Discussion followed, and a unanimous vote approved the Grant Application as compiled by
 Commissioner Greely.
- County Resource Guide: Denise Collins is working on the booklet which will feature various historical resources throughout the county, in both unincorporated and municipal locations. Funding for the booklet will be via the grant referenced above.
- October 10th Barn Tour: The McHenry County Barn Preservation group will conduct its 6th annual Barn Tour of selected barns in the county. This year's tour will focus on barns in the path of development in two of the county's most pressured townships, Dorr and Grafton.
- Mr. James Ballotti of the Woodstock Elks Lodge contacted me via our website regarding the discovery of ledger books and other record documents dating back to the origination of their organization in 1906. His questions were on the preservation of these documents. I referred him to document preservation resources on the internet and asked if we may be able to view them and assist in any other way.
- Bioneers (http://www.bioneers.org/) and McHenry County College will sponsor a symposium on recycling and green building on November 7th. This all-day event will feature speakers, discussion groups and vendors from the local community who are involved with green businesses and activities.

Respectfully submitted, Nick Chirikos

Reconnecting the Economy, Emrironment, and Affordability Friday, September 11, 2009

> 8:00 am - 3:45 pm Boulder Ridge Country Club, Lake in the Hills Registration fee: 520.00 CW credits spoiled for

> A Workshop for local elected and appreciated officials, regulated and county planters, angulares, landscape architects, residential and communities of county.
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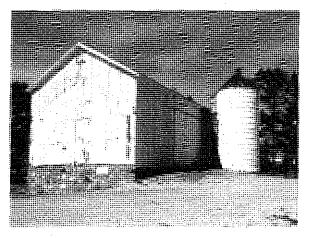
The 6th Annual McHenry County Barn Tour

McHenry County Historical Barn Preservation Association



SAVING OUR BARNS On the Edge of Development

Saturday, October 10, 2009, 9am-4pm



This year's bus tour will focus on barns located in two townships, Grafton and Dorr. These areas have experienced much development over these past years. The tour will depart from Huntley, IL. (Directions will be mailed to tour participants approx. two weeks prior to the tour.) We will see the effects of annexation and growth that has encroached on much of the farmland in this corridor and has had a dramatic effect on our rural architectural heritage.

Fee: \$35 – MCHBPA discounted member rate for <u>current</u> 2009-2010 members \$50 – Non-member rate (Includes Motor coach accommodations and lunch)

Note: You can become a MCHBPA member and save on the tour by mailing a separate check for membership with the below Registration Form.

Visit <u>www.mchenrycountybarns.org</u>, e-mail <u>jhammer@livingtimbers.com</u>, or call 847-217-4365 for more information.

Please mail payment to: McHenry County Historical Barn Preservation Association Post Office Box 1143, Woodstock, IL 60098 Name(s): Address: Phone: Registr(s) @ \$35 each = ____ I am a current 2009-2010 MCHBPA member Registr(s) @ \$50 each = ____ I'm not a MCHBPA member Save by supporting the McHenry County Historical Barn Preservation Association (enclose a separate check for membership) MCHBPA Annual Individual Membership(s) @ \$10 each = ____ MCHBPA Annual Family Membership @, \$20 = ____

Subject: RE: Woodstock Elks Historic Documents **From:** "James D Ballotti" <james.ballotti@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, 8 Sep 2009 07:42:08 -0500

To: "Nick Chirikos" <nickc@housewrightdb.com>

Nick,

Thank you for your quick reply. Following are the answers to your questions:

Is everything bound (book form, as ledgers normally are)? — The ledgers containing the meeting minutes going back to the early 1900's are bound, there are also a kind of loose leaf notebooks containing records of dues payments for members going back decades

Is it possible for one of us to examine the ledgers to determine their condition? — I'm certain that can be arranged. We have our regular lodge meeting tonight and I will talk to the other officers to determine how we can arrange that.

Is your main purpose to simply preserve the items in their original form or do you wish to capture the information on them for research? -- Both

Thank you again for your response and your interest. I look forward to working with you and your organization for our mutual benefit.

James D Ballotti 3607 Deep Wood Dr. Crystal Lake, Il. 60012 james.ballotti@gmail.com

From: Nick Chirikos [mailto:nickc@housewrightdb.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2009 6:27 AM

To: James D Ballotti

Subject: Re: Woodstock Elks Historic Documents

Mr. Ballotti,

Thank you for your inquiry, and congratulations on the discovery of your organization's record ledgers. Although our main focus is normally on buildings and sites, we would be happy to assist you in developing a strategy for preserving these valuable artifacts. I will forward your request on to others in our group who may have knowledge or resources on document preservation. Just a few questions-ls everything bound (book form, as ledgers normally are)?

Is it possible for one of us to examine the ledgers to determine their condition?

Is your main purpose to simply preserve the items in their original form or do you wish to capture the information on them for research?

Just a few preliminary cautions-

- -Handling: Handle as little as possible, wash & dry hands before touching. Open books carefully. Don't use adhesive tapes, paper clips staples or rubber bands when organizing documents.
- -Storage: Long-term storage can be involved, depending on the stability of the materials. Short-term, store flat, away from light, preferably in flat file drawers or similar, not stacked or on edge, as in a file folder.
- -Light: Ultraviolet light (sunlight, fluorescent and halogen lamps) is especially harmful, as is the heat

from light sources.

- -Temperature & Humidity: Cool & Dry. Temp below 72 Fahrenheit and humidity between 30 and 50%. Most importantly, keep these consistent, as fluctuations cause expansion and contraction. (No basement or attic storage).
- Pollutants: Airborne particulates like dust, pollen, dirt and soot are bad. Also gaseous pollutants like ozone from copy machines, and VOC's (vol ital organic compounds) in building materials, auto exhaust, etc. should be minimized in the storage environment.

I hope this helps, at least for a start.

Nick Chirikos, Chairman

McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission

James D Ballotti wrote:

During recent renovations at the Woodstock Elks lodge one of our trustees discovered some old ledgers going back to 1906. Some of these ledgers contain minutes of the meetings of the Elks going back to the institution of the lodge in December of 1906. Others contain records of members' dues payments. The reason I'm writing is to ask if the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission can offer any recommendations as to how best preserve these valuable documents.

James D Ballotti 3607 Deep Wood Dr. Crystal Lake, Il. 60012 james.ballotti@gmail.com

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McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission October 7, 2009 Meeting – Report by Gloria Mack

Joint Council of Historic Groups – met at the historic Riley Methodist Church on September 23rd. It was a General Meeting and the 8 Groups that were present gave informative reports. Also, there were several new attendees. 19 representatives of historic groups were present. Erin McElroy, one of the new attendees, of the Lakeside Legacy Foundation reported on their upcoming events and also offered the Dole Mansion for the site of our March 24th spring meeting. Erin telephoned me and confirmed that we have the Dole Mansion for our March 24th meeting. Tom and Barb Conley of Huntley offered their historic home as the site for our fall meeting. Nancy Fike acted as MC and did her usual wonderful job. (See attached sign in record)

Barber Cemetery – I spoke to Maureen Mikyska, one of the nominators, of the Barber Cemetery. She reported that the Barber family requested that we hold the Land marking ceremony on April 17, 2010. Please mark you calendars. I will be working with the nominators and family members to plan the ceremony.

Bicentennial Committee - The Lincoln Oaks program is going well. Friday, September 25th I picked up 4 more markers and 1 replacement tree. I delivered 1 marker and a replacement tree to the Village of Union. On Saturday, September 26th, I delivered two markers to Marengo, the Naylor's and Leahy's,

On Tuesday September 29th I picked up 5 more trees and delivered 3 to McHenry County Government Center and 2 trees plus a marker to the Dole Mansion.

As of the date of this report, still outstanding are orders for 2 trees and 1 marker for Algonquin Township and 2 trees and 1 marker for the Kishwaukee Valley DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution). This is subject to change.

Old business — I need some help in resolving the Cary Cemetery issue. Any ideas? I don't think we should let this issue languish any longer.

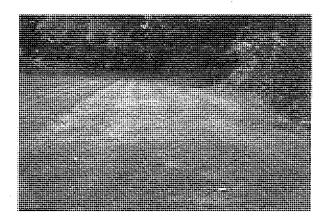
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Victory Garden

Tom's Victory Garden has been closed down for the year. It produced just over 100 pounds of fresh produce witch was delivered to the Algonquin / Lake in the Hills food pantry. When I asked Michele if they wanted to do it next year, she said definitely, but they have to get Tom's approval to make it official.

On Sept 20th I met with John Hadley and we picked out a 20 x 20 space for the 2010 county Victory garden on county land on the west side of this building. John plans to rent a tiller and till the soil in a week or two, and give me a call when it is done and I will take the soil for soil testing. This area can be expanded if we are successful.





Bob Kolzie has again volunteered plants and supplies for the garden. I have asked for volunteers out of the McHenry County Master gardener's program and others who have contacted me in the past as well.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A MCHENRY COUNTY VICTORY GARDEN FOR 2010

WHEREAS, the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission is promoting the comeback of gardens that were first created during World War II as a way to supplement food for those in need; and

WHEREAS, the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission has asked if McHenry County would be interested in creating a garden; and

WHEREAS, the Management Services Committee has discussed this possibility and would like to move forward and create this garden which will be planted and cared for by volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the produce grown would be donated to area food pantries; and

WHEREAS, the Management Services Committee ask that the County Board support the implementation of a McHenry County Victory Garden for 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois that we do hereby support the creation of a McHenry County Victory Garden for 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois that it is in the best interest of our citizens to establish a Victory Garden to help meet the ongoing needs of our local food panties and our employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby requested to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to all department heads and elected officials.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 15th day of September, A.D., 2009.

KENNETH D. KOEHLER, Chairman

McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

Scenic Roads Committee October 7, 2009 Submitted by Trisha Doornbosch

- 1. Committee developed an evaluation form to review a scenic roads application, should we ever get one. The form is below.
- 2. Found a very interesting site at http://www.scenicillinois.org/. I will follow up with them to see if they can help us out.

SCENIC ROADS SUBMITTAL ANALYSIS

Scenic elements (visible from road):	
Fields _	
Buildings	
Structures	
Water (lakes or rivers)	
Vegetation	
Skyline	
Total for scenic elements	
Natural elements:	
Shorelines	
Wetlands	
Prairie	
-	
Total for natural elements Historic elements:	
Historically significant building	
Past historic settlement (provable)	
Burial site/cemetery	
Bridges	
Total for historic elements	
Cultural elements:	
Public art	
Museum/cultural center _	
Festival site _	
Industry or resource contribution to community	
Total for cultural elements	
Archeological elements:	
Remnants of past human society (provable)	
Total for archeological elemen	ts
Architectural elements (structure within the road corridor)	
Characteristic of architectural style	
Characteristic of construction method	
Identifiable work of master builder/	
designer/architect/landscape architect	
High level of integrity/architectural significance	
Total for architectural element	<u> </u>

Grand Total Within acceptable range? Yes/no		
Approved: Yes No		
Dated:		
Submitted to McHenry County Historical Preservation	Commission on (date)	

You are cordially invited to join The Historic Preservation Commission

Wednesday December 2, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Georgios Pizza
75 E. Woodstock St.
Crystal Lake
(815) 459-8888

Please rsvp by Dec 1st. to Audrey Martin at abmartin@co.mchenry.il.us or call 815-334-4550

