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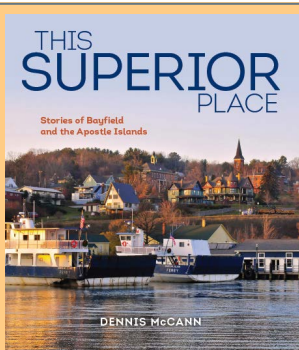
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**AVAILABLE
NOW!**

Picturesque little Bayfield on Lake Superior is Wisconsin's smallest city by population but one of its most popular visitor destinations.

Abundantly illustrated with both historical and contemporary images, This Superior Place showcases, as author Dennis McCann writes, "a

The Wisconsin Historical Society Educator Update contains the most current education-related news from the Wisconsin Historical Society. With information on classroom resources, National History Day, the Wisconsin Historical Museum, the Library-Archives Division, historical sites all around Wisconsin, and more, our monthly roundup is packed with ideas for Wisconsin educators.

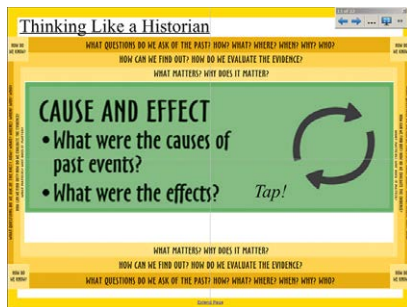
School Service Connections

[Kurt Griesemer](#), School Services Director

Chapters 1-12 Interactive Whiteboard Resources Now Available

Have you downloaded your interactive whiteboard resources yet? All 12 chapters are now online.

Developed for use with "Wisconsin: Our State, Our Story," these new interactive components are designed to reinforce importance teaching concepts embedded in each chapter.



With direct ties to Thinking Like A Historian, vocabulary activities, end-of-chapter assessments, video, and more, each interactive provides you, the teacher, with new ways to engage your students in the study of Wisconsin history.

Contact [Maris Education](#) for your login and password and [download chapters 1-12 today](#).

Wanted: Interactive Whiteboard Users and/or Future Movie Stars

The Office of School Services is looking for teachers and students that

community where the past was layered with good times and down times, where natural beauty was the one resource that could not be exhausted by the hand of man, and where history is ever present."

Available now from the [Wisconsin Historical Society Press](#).

would like to be filmed using the interactive whiteboard resources developed for the 4th grade textbook. Please contact [Kurt Griesemer](#) for more details.

Looking for Focus Groups

The Office of School Services is looking for classroom educators interested in sharing their opinions of the 4th grade textbook, 'Wisconsin: Our State, Our Story.' Whether your district adopted the textbook the first year it came out or just recently, your opinion matters! Please contact [Kurt Griesemer](#) for more information.



National History Day in Wisconsin

[Sarah Klentz](#), National History Day Coordinator

National History Day is gearing up for the State Contest, held in Madison on May 4th. Over 500 students who have advanced from their regional competition will be in attendance to compete for a chance to attend the national contest, held in Washington, D.C. in June. They have all completed a website, paper, performance, exhibit, or documentary based on the annual theme, "Turning Points in History: People, Ideas, Events."



If you'd like to see NHD in action this is a great way to do so! Visit our [website](#) for the schedule of the day. We'd love to have you join us. Also, if you'd like to volunteer or judge please sign up [online](#).

Contact State Coordinator, [Sarah Klentz](#), with questions.

Highlights from the Sites

Wisconsin Historical Museum

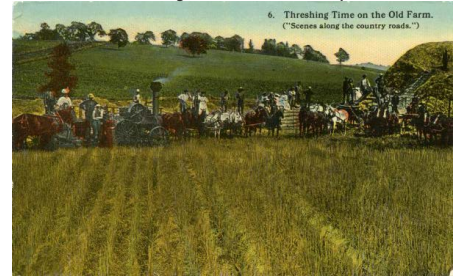
[Beth Lemke](#), Museum Educator

[Stories from the Badger State](#) - May 18, 2013 1-3 pm

Whether you were born in Wisconsin, came for school, or are here for the first time, we all have a favorite Wisconsin memory. Join us as local Wisconsinites Kaleem Caire, Darcy Luoma, James Tye, and Troy Vosseller share their uniquely Wisconsin story and tell us how their memories have shaped their lives today. With a blend of community outreach, politics, environmentalism and entrepreneurship, each of these extremely driven speakers will help show us what Wisconsin is all about. After the event, be sure to leave your own Wisconsin memory on our Memory Wall (fourth floor).

[History Sandwiched In: 'A Farm in Wisconsin'](#) - May 21, 12:15-1 pm

Richard Quinney presents the story about a few acres of land purchased in Walworth County, Wisconsin in 1868. The land became a 160-acre farm that went on to support and provide a rich background for the lives of the generations that followed. Following the program Quinney will sign copies of his book, 'A Farm in Wisconsin.'



[Plan ahead for the 2013-2014 school year](#)

Although it may not feel like spring in Wisconsin just yet, our staff at the Wisconsin Historical Museum is concentrating on making your 2013 visit great as well as helping you plan ahead to the spring of 2014.

Many schools make their spring reservations 9 to 12 months in advance, so please consider booking prior to your visit or in person when you arrive for next year's trip to reserve your preferred date and times.

If you are interested in making reservations for a spring or fall of 2013 Wisconsin Historical Museum field trip, please email our [Museum Education staff](#) or phone 608-264-6557.

You can review your visit options by checking out the Wisconsin Historical Museum's [Printable Field Trip Catalog](#). Museum Education staff look forward to working with you to identify your group needs and tailor a program to enhance your museum visit.

Old World Wisconsin

[Jennifer Van Haften](#), Curator of Interpretation

Didn't Get Your Tour Scheduled? Hurry to Get Your Spot!

The Wisconsin Historical Sites are



looking forward to opening their doors to students and visitors for the 2013-2014 season. If you haven't booked your tour, get your request in fast. Many are already close to capacity, such as Old World Wisconsin in Eagle. Afternoons are your best bet for open spots at Old World Wisconsin. You can find registration information on our [homepage](#).

If you are a home school group, check out Old World Wisconsin's new summer home school days on June 10 and 11, 2013. These special visits allow your group to tour at its own pace. Your students will be doing the same activities that our structured school tours tackle, but in the order and time that you wish to take at Old World.

[Spring Into the Past](#)

Springtime is a flurry of activity on our 19th- and early 20th-century farmyards and homesteads, with lots of different seasonal chores for you to try. Enjoy a different theme each weekend:

Sheep to Shawl (May 4-5) - From shearing to stunning textiles, explore the wonders of wool in the 19th century.

Plowing and Planting (May 11-12) - Discover what's needed to get ready for the growing season. Remember that Sunday is Mother's Day!

Spring Cleaning (May 18-19) - Help us with 19th-century chores.

Tastes of Spring (May 25-26) - Make early produce into tasty treats in our kitchens.

Field trip details can be found at our [website](#).

Contact [Ann Selkie](#) at 262-594-6301 to make your reservation today.

Thank you for reading our newsletter! If you have resources you'd like to share, please consider submitting an article.

Sincerely,

[Kurt Griesemer](#)

School Services Director
Wisconsin Historical Society