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1942 Badgers: From Benches to Trenches

The 1942 University of Wisconsin Badger football season proved monumental. Players knew that as each game brought them closer to the end of the season, it also brought them closer to military service. And despite this pending duty, or maybe in part because of it, the team climbed its way up the rankings to be classed ultimately among the greatest college football teams.

One 1942 Badger guard, Jerry Frei, left the field that season to serve as a P-38 fighter pilot. He returned to the U.S. a decorated veteran and went on to a long coaching career in college football and the National Football League.

When Frei passed away in 2001, his son, reporter and columnist for *The Denver Post* and ESPN.com Terry Frei, set out on a mission to learn about the men in the team picture that hung in a place of honor in his father's den. Thus began an odyssey of extensive research, including interviews with the remaining Badgers, their families, and their combat comrades.

Frei's quest culminated in the autumn release of the WHS Press's *Third Down and a War to Go: The All-American 1942 Wisconsin Badgers*. On October 1, a day before the 2005 Badgers face Illinois at Camp Randall, the WHS Press and National W Club invite Society members, UW alumni, and the general public to a special huddle with Terry Frei and longtime UW Athletic Director Pat Richter (1989–2003). The kickoff party will take place at the Pyle Center (on Langdon Street, next to the Red Gym) from 3:30 to 6:30 P.M. Pat Richter and Terry Frei will speak at 5:00 P.M., and a book signing will follow Frei's talk.



Jerry Frei in his P-38, a twin-engine, one-man plane.

Photo from Terry Frei's collection



Photo courtesy of University of Wisconsin Sports Information Department

The Badgers on September 1, 1942, their first day of practices. Go to www.wisconsinhistory.org/publications/books/extra/teamphoto_thirddown.asp to see an enlargeable version with players identified.



Photo courtesy of University of Wisconsin Sports Information Department

The Halloween game against Ohio State determined the leader of the Big Ten. Author and sports reporter Terry Frei provides a play-by-play account of the exciting game in *Third Down and a War to Go*.



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From the Director

Ellsworth H. Brown

Why Wisconsin?

The memory niches of public historians' careers contain vignettes that confirm the value of our work. While involved in the Chicago Historical Society's most recent expansion a few years ago, a welder stopped me to ask if I was the "boss man." "Yes, why?" I replied. "Because I like history, and you're doing a good thing here," he said. "What kind of history do you like?" I asked. "Egyptian mostly," he answered, flipping his helmet closed again. In Nashville, Tennessee, my memory of a cowboy—hat and boots—poring over old songs in the Country Music Hall of Fame's archives remains vivid.

As the new Director of the Society, I thought the Society's members and friends would want me to answer the question "why did I take this job?" Or, "Why did you take this job, knowing about the financial challenges this state agency is experiencing?"

The answers are several and easy. This is one of a public historian's four or five dream jobs. The Society is among the few "full-service," self-governing state organizations in the country, a wonderful legacy of the nineteenth century's fusion of government and private initiative, which is also reflected in our parallel nonprofit fund-raising arm, the Wisconsin Historical Foundation. Who would not want to be responsible, with peerless colleagues, loyal members, and dedicated volunteers, for an organization that is in turn responsible for the history of an entire state?

The array of programs suggests the span of the Society: historic sites, library and archives, historic preservation, publications, museum, archaeology, public service programs, statewide research centers. What an exciting prospect!

The reputation of the Society is likewise peerless. It serves, uniquely among sister organizations, as a university history library, contributing to one of the best history departments in the country. It is easy to use superlatives for effect; but as you know well, in our case I do not exaggerate.

Institutionally and thus for staff and Board of Curators alike, coping and maintaining viable programs has become more difficult in recent years. I have jokingly said that I searched for an organization that did not face similar budgetary problems and finding none, chose the Wisconsin Historical Society! Part of the joy of work is meeting challenges, particularly when an organization's fundamental assets remain intact: the staff's intellectual acumen, the collections, the sites, and our properties. The product is still good, and the promise of the future remains, even greater by measure against the operational regression we have experienced recently.

So why, really, did I choose to come to Wisconsin? In a fruitful conversation recently, a staff member said that one of our divisions had been searching for a vision that did not readily come. I think it was elusive because the vision we must have for the Wisconsin Historical Society is not for our organization, but a vision on behalf of the people of Wisconsin. I sought my new position so that I could fill still-empty memory niches with stories about many keepers of history throughout Wisconsin.

—Ellsworth H. Brown



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Read a Good Book Lately?

Five new books published this fall by the WHS Press present good history for a broad audience: the memoir of a man who lost his beloved father in World War II; the story of the stupendous Ringling Brothers, circus kings; the rousing story of the 1942 Badger football team, who went off to war after a winning season; the first WHS Press *Ethnic Series* volume on the Irish in Wisconsin; and a guidebook for the rapidly expanding pool of Wisconsin middle and high school students participating in the National History Day in Wisconsin academic enhancement program administered by the Society's Office of School Services.



Wisconsin History Highlights: Delving into the Past by Jon Kasperek, Bobbie Malone, and Erica Schock, ISBN 0-87020-358-4 (available in October).

See pages 8 and 9 for more on this book.

Irish in Wisconsin by David G. Holmes, 0-87020-346-0.

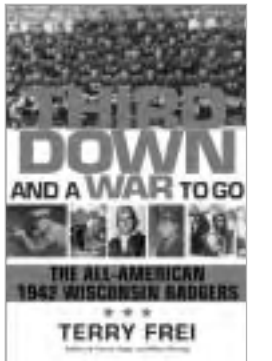
In the most recent addition to the WHS Press Ethnic History Series, *Irish in Wisconsin*, author David G. Holmes shows the impact of the Irish on the state's early development and politics.

As Holmes states in the book's introduction, "the story of the Irish in Wisconsin . . . is a story worth telling, because within the larger history of Irish immigration into the United States, the Wisconsin chapter is a multifaceted and intriguing chronicle that adds much to the Irish experience in America."



Third Down and a War to Go: The All-American 1942 Wisconsin Badgers by Terry Frei, ISBN 0-87020-360-6.

Extensive research and interviews inform this work, which tells the stories from both the playing field and the battlefield of the University of Wisconsin's 1942 football team. Among the star players were Pat "Hit 'Em Again" Harder, Elroy "Crazylegs" Hirsch, and two-time All-American Dave Schreiner.



FORTHCOMING:

Ringlingville USA: The Stupendous Story of Seven Siblings and Their Stunning Circus Success by Jerry Apps, ISBN 0-87020-354-1 (cloth), 0-87020-355-X (paper) with a foreword by Fred Dahlinger Jr. (available in October)

Apps tells the story of the seven Ringling brothers and their climb from obscurity to celebrity as the most widely recognized circus family ever known. Some 130 photographs, many published here for the first time, help recreate the sights and sounds of the circus at the turn of the century.



"When is Daddy coming home?": An American Family during World War II by Richard Carlton Haney, ISBN 0-87020-364-9 (available in October)

This book, part history, part memoir, presents the moving story of a young American family during the Second World War as remembered by historian Richard C. Haney. Four years old when the telegram arrived informing the family of his father's death, Haney reconstructs his parents' lives during the war, drawing from their letters, his mother's recollections, and his own memories.

Haney appeared on the documentary series *Wisconsin World War II Stories* produced by the Society in conjunction with Wisconsin Public Television. Meet him and discuss his book at the Wisconsin Historical Museum on October 16 at 1 P.M.



Purchase Wisconsin Historical Society Press books from the Wisconsin Historical Museum store, (608)264-6428, local bookstores or the University of Wisconsin Press at (800)621-2736, online at www.wisc.edu/wisconsinpress. Society members receive a 10 percent discount on regularly priced WHS Press titles when purchased from the Museum store or directly from the UW Press; have your member number handy when placing an order.

From the Webmaster

What's New at www.wisconsinhistory.org

This Day in Wisconsin History

For years, the Society has been collecting interesting facts and milestones in Wisconsin history for an informal calendar tool called "This Day in Wisconsin History." Because it was informal and informally researched, we never made it available to the general public.

Until now. Library-Archives staff have cleaned and polished the content for public consumption so you can find out what happened on your birthday, anniversary, or any other day. They won't all be as significant as the day the steamship *Lady Elgin* sank, or the day the Green Bay Packers team was founded, but

they will all present interesting historical tidbits.

We have developed several ways to get a daily snippet of Wisconsin history. First, you can go to our Web site at www.wisconsinhistory.org/thisday/. Or, if you're into RSS (an Internet syndication tool), you can get a daily feed. Also, if you have a Web site and you'd like to put "This Day In Wisconsin History" on your Web page, you can use a simple JavaScript to do it.

We'll also integrate the new feature into our newsletter system, currently in development, but you'll hear more about that soon.

Facsimile of Floyd Diary

The recent publication of a full-color facsimile of a Society Archives treasure, the journal kept by Sgt. Charles Floyd of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, includes a new transcription by noted Lewis and Clark scholar James J. Holmberg.

The Journal of Charles Floyd: A Young Explorer's Ninety-Nine Days of Discovery with the Lewis and Clark Expedition presents Floyd's impressions of the west during the few months after embarking on the Corps of Discovery on May 14, 1804, until two days before his untimely death on August 20. The book includes a brief biography and explores theories about his sudden illness and death.

The FRIENDS of the Society conceived the book, which is being published in October, 2004, by the University of Oklahoma Press on the bicentennial of Floyd's death.

The Society acquired the Charles Floyd journal some fifty years after its author's death. Lyman C. Draper, the Society's first secretary (director), amassed an extraordinary collection of historical artifacts and documents pertaining to the American West, including Floyd's 24-page journal.

Draper died in 1892, leaving his entire collection to the Society. The Draper Collection stands as one of the Society's signature treasures.

More about the journal and the Corps of Discovery may be found on the Society's Web site, *American Journeys* (www.americanjourneys.org), created with a \$200,000 grant from the Institute of Library and Museum Services. Included among the documents pertaining to the Lewis and Clark expedition is Floyd's journal.



Annual Local History Convention

On October 29 and 30 the Society headquarters will host the annual convention of the Wisconsin Council for Local History in Madison. The October 29 program will feature three all-day workshops on Restoring Older Buildings, Caring for Historical Collections, and Planning and Preparing Exhibits. Society staff members Jim Sewell, Ellen Penwell, Jacob Conrad and Tom McKay will present the workshops.

On October 30, the keynote session will bring together

a panel of three national experts who will impart the five most important pieces of advice for a local historical society. The panel members will be Tim Glines, manager of outreach services at the Minnesota Historical Society; Patricia Miller, executive director of the Illinois Heritage Association; and Karla Nicholson, director of programs for the American Association for State and Local History.

For registration information contact Tom McKay, local history specialist, at (608)264-6583 or trmckay@whs.wisc.edu.

Society Proactive on Rock Art Vandalism

The Historic Preservation-Public History Division is seeking to educate the public about ancient rock art after vandals spray painted over thousand-year-old rock art at Roche-a-Cri State Park (Adams County) in June.

State Archaeologist John Broihahn notes that Wisconsin has an especially high concentration of American Indian rock art sites and hopes that public awareness about its important place in our cultural heritage prevents future damage. State Historic Preservation Officer Michael Stevens notes, "History belongs to all of us, and this kind of vandalism is a crime against every citizen of Wisconsin."

Broihahn has been using newspaper op-ed pieces, radio interviews, and community presentations to reinforce the message.

Rock art images, painted or carved, depict humans, animals, tools, and spirits and tell important stories, reaffirm the artist's place in the world, and enhance an already special natural setting.

Society archaeologists are working with the Department of Natural Resources and rock-art conservators to decide how to repair the damage, if possible, at Roche-A-Cri.



This drawing illustrates the vandalized rock art painting at Roche-A-Cri, which depicts humans and a large bird. The composition is one of only five identified in Wisconsin that tell a story.



State Archaeologist John Broihahn assesses recent damage to the Roche-A-Cri site.

Department of Natural Resources

WHS Office of the State Archaeologist

Read the Book, Watch the Film

Last February, the Society joined the Wisconsin Center for Film and Theater Research and *The Capital Times* to bring back a few book-and-movie classics by launching the Classic Book and Movie Club.

Every quarter, Madisonians are encouraged to read a classic novel before attending a lecture and a screening of its film counterpart at the Society headquarters.

On September 19 the second film in the three-part Classic Book & Movie Club series, the 1946 film noir classic *The Big Sleep* will be shown. The movie presents Raymond Chandler's 1939 mystery classic as adapted for the big screen by William Faulkner.

Admission to all screenings is free and open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. An introduction will begin at 1:30 P.M. with the film to follow (running time is 114 minutes).

Start reading *Jane Eyre* now in preparation for the January 23, 2005, showing of the book's 1944 screen adaptation, which stars Orson Welles and Joan Fontaine and presents Elizabeth Taylor in one of her earliest roles.



Bogart and Bacall in the 1946 film noir classic *The Big Sleep*.

Wisconsin Center for Film and Theater Research

Historic Sites: Make Your Autumn Weekends Sizzle

In autumn the Society's historic sites offer some elaborate annual special events, from Civil War encampments at Old World Wisconsin and Civil War battle reenactments at Wade House, to the Carriage Classic at Villa Louis and Kiddleywink Pub Night at Pendarvis. Special fees and pre-registration may apply; go online or contact the site for further information (URLs and phone numbers on page 15).

September 4 and 5, 10 AM to 5 PM

Old World Wisconsin Civil War Encampment

Find out how the Civil War affected life on the Wisconsin home front. Meet and mingle with soldiers from the 3rd Wisconsin Veteran Volunteer Infantry and other Civil War reenactment units.

September 11, 10 AM to 4 PM

Stonefield Celebration of Rural Life

Stonefield rests on the home site of Nelson Dewey, the first Governor of Wisconsin, and includes the Wisconsin Agricultural Museum. The Celebration of Rural Life, one of the largest special events held at Stonefield, offers demonstrations of blacksmithing, chair caning, and horse shoeing, and features an antique tractor and farm machinery display, children's hat-making activity, farmhouse cooking program, wagon rides, and more.

September 11 and 12, 10 AM to 5 PM

Villa Louis Carriage Classic

In one of the Midwest's largest and most stylish equine festivals, magnificent horses, elegantly restored carriages, and meticulously dressed drivers meet for a weekend of competitive arena and cross-country sport driving.

September 12, 10 AM to 5 PM

Wade House 44th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair

Browse more than 140 booths displaying a variety of hand-made wares and traditional craft creations ranging from dolls and baskets to wood crafts and jewelry. Nominal admission fee for those not touring Wade House.



Old World Wisconsin hands-on history

September 17 and 18, 7 to 9:30 PM

Old World Wisconsin Lamplight Tours I: Star Spangled Stories

Through a series of lively theatrical vignettes, guides will lead guests by lamplight from historic house to historic house to relive the excitement as Wisconsin residents debate such hot political issues of the day as the 1860 Lincoln campaign and the Civil War.

September 24, 7 to 10 PM

Pendarvis Kiddleywink Pub Night

The quaint Kiddleywink Pub in the rowhouse at Pendarvis offers a special evening with live music, a cash bar, and a variety of pub games. This event is a fund raiser for the Pendarvis Memorial Endowment Trust.



Wade House Civil War Reenactment



Madeline Island Historical Museum voyageurs

September 25, 10 AM to 2 PM

Pendarvis "Crowdy Crawn"

"Crowdy Crawn" is a Cornish expression roughly translated as "a mixture of fun." Expect a delightful mix of storytelling, mythical creatures from Cornish lore and legend, and other family fun. This event is part of Mineral Point's annual citywide Cornish Festival.

September 24 and 25, 7 to 9:30 PM

Old World Wisconsin Lamplight Tours II: Star-Spangled Stories

A second chance to take in the historical vignettes described above.

September 25 and 26, 9 AM to 5 PM

Wade House, 14th annual Civil War Weekend

In what has become the biggest and best Civil War reenactment in Wisconsin, Confederate and Union armies set up camp on the sprawling, wooded grounds of Wade House State Park. Visitors mingle with the troops as well as civilian sutlers—civilian merchants who follow troop movements and sell Civil War-era merchandise. Each afternoon at 2 o'clock, the opposing armies clash in a full-scale historic battle reenactment featuring cavalry, infantry and artillery duels.

October 1 and 2, 10 AM to 5 PM

Madeline Island Historical Museum Apple Festival

The autumn apple harvest in the Apostles offers an opportunity for local denizens and late-season travelers to commemorate the end of another season in the sun.

October 9, 6 to 9:30 PM

Villa Louis, Spirits of St. Feriole Island

Held at dusk, this event evokes the spirits of St. Feriole Island—among the Midwest's most storied islands. Meet a fur trader, a soldier, and a steamboat pilot—as well as Dousman family, friends and servants in a series of six dramatic vignettes.



H. H. Bennett Studio & History Center high-tech history



Villa Louis Carriage Classic

October 15, 16, and 17, 6 to 9 PM

Bram Stoker's Dracula

After dinner in the historic Clausing Barn Restaurant, audience members will thrill to the ghoulish tale of the vampire Count Dracula, popularized by Bram Stoker's 1897 novel. Creative Outlets, a troupe of dramatic performers, will present the ageless story in a series of moveable vignettes against the darkened backdrop of the museum's historic buildings and wooded hills. (Content appropriate for most families; however parents should use their own discretion regarding attendance by very young children).

October 16 and 17, 10 AM to 5 PM

Old World Wisconsin, Autumn on the Farms

Take part in the historic rituals of autumn, just as our rural ancestors did in preparing for the coming of the long winter.

October 23, 10 AM to 5 PM

Old World Wisconsin, Hallowe'en: Traditions & Superstitions

An event looking back at superstitions and traditions associated with Halloween as it was celebrated in the late 1800s, and exploring customs children enjoyed long before the holiday's modern transformation into costumes, candy and trick-or-treating.



Pendarvis



Stonefield Village shopkeeper

Society Priority: Helping Teachers Teach and Students Learn

Students on NHD

We have done a lot of hard work to get to where we got: nationals. My partner and I did a group documentary on the Little Rock Crisis of 1957. Neither of us had done History Day before, much less a documentary! We were pretty nervous the first time we presented at our school. I think one of the main things that helped our project was interviewing three of the Little Rock Nine. It was extremely interesting to listen and learn from a firsthand account of what actually happened from their perspectives.

Teachers on NHD

This work helps student develop a voice of involvement, compassion, and concern for the world they live in. The skills these students gain and the growth they make are part of the whole process of doing History Day projects, from topic selection to research to presentation.

I've always felt that kids need to see the connections to history all around them, but most importantly that their views on history are as valid as any historian's. They ARE historians. National History Day allows you to show them that they are historians and the contest structure reinforces it at each step along the way.

"I personally think History Day ROCKS! Not only do I actually pay attention in history class now, I actually want to learn more about it."

So says a middle-school student who took part in the one of the Society's programs for young people. Curricular materials, teacher training, a web portal for teachers, and National History Day are all part of how the Society works to help students and teachers. According to State Historic Preservation Officer Michael Stevens, "One of the best gifts one generation can give to the next is to share their excitement about knowing the past." By enabling teachers to teach better and students to learn better, the Society is helping pass on that torch and ensuring that history will be in good hands in the future.



Photos by Emma Starzewski

NHD IN WISCONSIN STATISTICS, 2003-2004

Total Participation	Reported: 3,949 Estimated actual: 4,300
State Event Attendance (est.)	Students: 300 Teachers: 50 Total public attendance: 900 Volunteers: 101
Statewide Regional Event Attendance	Total students: 761 Green Bay: 84 Madison: 65 Milwaukee: 75 La Crosse: 262 Stevens Point: 250 Ashland: 25
Estimated number of teachers attending regional events:	70
Total estimated public attendance at regional events:	1,600
Complimentary curriculum packets distributed to teachers:	328
Outreach brochures distributed:	4,400
Fall teacher workshop attendance:	37
Student group visits to the Wisconsin Historical Society coordinated by NHD:	250
Students visited in the classroom by NHD in Wisconsin staff:	850

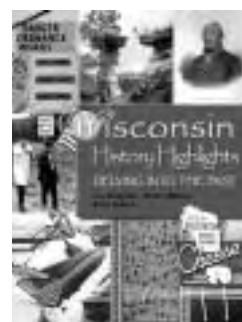
Parents on NHD

"National History Day definitely has increased my son's interest in history and his understanding of research methods. His NHD projects have been his highest level academic work."

"NHD has had a very positive effect on our children and family. They have become fascinated with the study of history and historical research. NHD has truly brought history to life. We are all beginning to see correlations and make connections."

Classroom Resources

To facilitate teachers' full use of its online resources, the Society created a portal, Connecting to the Classroom, which provides a one-stop connection to educational materials on the Society's Web site at www.wisconsinhistory.org/teachers/classroom/. The portal is organized by the topics specified in the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards for American and Wisconsin History.



The latest addition to the Society Press's growing collection of texts for students and teachers is *Wisconsin History Highlights: Delving into the Past* by Jon Kasperek, Bobbie Malone, and Erica Schock (available in October).

The text represents a student toolkit for National History Day, encouraging middle school and high school students and teachers to use primary resources in their history projects. Nine chapters on subjects such as immigration, environmental history, tourism, or manufacturing contain concise introductions to specific events, people, or places in Wisconsin history. Each chapter closes with a detailed bibliography of recommended primary and secondary materials.

Other classroom publications include the five volumes currently comprising the *New Badger History Series*, texts and accompanying teacher guides aimed at upper elementary to middle school classrooms. Topics covered from a Wisconsin perspective are archaeology, land use, maritime history and preservation, immigration, and Native people. The Society also sends a newsletter, *Badger History Bulletin*, to teachers and school librarians tri-monthly during the academic year.

Improving Civic Education

Another way the Society serves Wisconsin students and teachers is through participation in teacher-training workshops and conferences, including workshops around the state on teaching Native American treaty rights, which involve tribal representatives.

The Society will participate on November 30 in a one-day symposium, *Dialogues with Democracy: Improving Civic Education in Wisconsin Schools*, at the Pyle Center in Madison. The conference brings together kindergarten through twelfth-grade teachers, government leaders, community activists, researchers, media representatives, and others, to improve school-based programs that prepare students to be engaged citizens.

Featured speakers will include: Elizabeth Burmaster, Wisconsin state superintendent of schools; Peter Levine, deputy director of the University of Maryland's Center for Research and Learning in Civic Education; and Gloria Ladson-Billings, UW-Madison Department of Curriculum & Instruction professor and a senior fellow in urban education at the Annenberg Institute for School Reform at Brown University.

Dialogues with Democracy resulted from collaboration among the Wisconsin Educational Communications Board, the Wisconsin Historical Society, the Law-related Education Program of the State Bar of Wisconsin, and the UW-Madison School of Education. Funding for the conference comes from the Wisconsin Law Foundation.

For more information, contact Linda Shriberg at (608) 262-4477 or shriberg@education.wisc.edu.



Rediscovering H. H. Bennett

For over 135 years, H. H. Bennett and his descendents have introduced the Wisconsin Dells to the world through photography. Now the Library-Archives is presenting over 680 of his images to the world on the Society Web site at www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/hhbennett.

This summer, further processing of the thousands of Bennett images—which Bennett’s granddaughter Jean Reese and her husband Ollie donated to the Society along with the studio—led to the rediscovery of less well-known

images, including Civil War cycloramas, the 1893 Columbian Exposition, and state institutions.

See www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/hhbennett/buy.asp for information on ordering reproductions of the Bennett images. To see the forty classic Bennett images hand-developed and sold by the Studio, see www.wisconsinhistory.org/hhbennett/photos/ or visit the Society’s H. H. Bennett Studio and History Center in Wisconsin Dells.



Ferris wheel and midway at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1893.



Battle of Missionary Ridge Panorama #1751, ca. 1889. While doing research for the new Web pages, archivists rediscovered photographs H. H. Bennett made of several Civil War cycloramas. Cycloramas were large, dramatic 360-degree paintings representing major world events, which enjoyed brief popularity during the last quarter of the nineteenth century. As far as archivists can tell, the Society Web site is the only place one can view the full sequence of two of these panoramic paintings.



Interior of the cell blocks in the Waupun state prison, ca. 1893. Society archivists recently identified a new set of Bennett photographs, including this image, previously attributed to Paul G. Lecher of Milwaukee. In 1893, the Wisconsin Board of Control contracted with Lecher to provide images of state institutions for presentation at the Columbian Exposition. Research into Bennett’s correspondence proves that Lecher hired Bennett to take the images.

Archives Week 2004

In this presidential election year, the statewide Archives Week initiative, October 17 to 23, which the Society organizes, features electoral politics. From anti-slavery agitation in the 1850s, to woman suffrage in the early twentieth century, to today’s hot-button tax issues, Society archives collections show us how Wisconsinites campaigned and voted in election years.

At www.wisconsinhistory.org/archivesweek/ the Society is featuring newspapers, photographs, campaign speeches, news film, posters, diaries, and letters from earlier election years to deepen understanding of current state and national campaigns. The Web site also offers organizations an Archives Week planning guide and event schedule to which they may post their Archives Week events.



Wisconsin Celebrates Reading

From October 6 to October 10, communities throughout the state will celebrate reading during the third annual Wisconsin Book Festival with local lectures, book-signings, panel discussions, and other events. Organized by the Wisconsin Humanities Council, the free public festival celebrates the written word, writers, reading, and books.

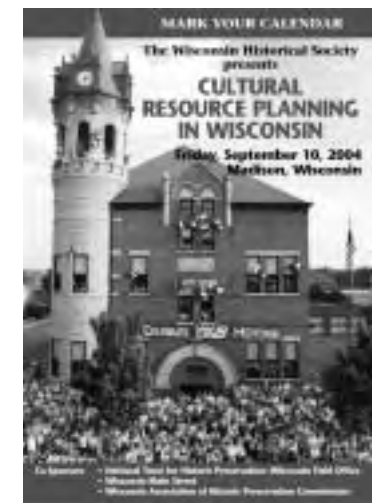
Included in this year’s Festival lineup are Wisconsin Historical Society Press authors Jerry Apps and Richard Carlton Haney. See the Wisconsin Book Festival Web site at www.wisconsinbookfestival.org for further information.



Smart Growth Training

On September 10 in Madison, the Society is offering a one-day training program to guide planners and preservationists engaged in cultural resource planning. The training will offer communities strategies for implementing the goals and objectives they develop.

The workshop stems from the Society’s Smart Growth Initiative, which assists communities in integrating cultural resources into the comprehensive plans required with the passage of Act 9 in 1999. Smart Growth is a national movement against the threats of “urban sprawl,” or unplanned, unsightly, and wasteful growth.



Mass Communication Acquisition

Actress Sigourney Weaver recently donated to the Society Library-Archives the professional papers of her father, Sylvester L. "Pat" Weaver Jr., a pioneering television executive, media consultant, and entrepreneur.

Archivists have now finished accessioning the materials, which they've added to the Society's nationally renowned collections documenting mass communications in the U.S. The papers complement existing holdings on the history of the National Broadcasting Company.

The bulk of the papers document Weaver's professional career, beginning with his employment as an advertising executive in the late 1940s. His subsequent years at NBC are also represented, although the majority of the collection relates to Weaver's endeavors after resigning as network chairman. These



Sylvester L. Weaver Jr.

include Weaver's attempts to start a fourth television network and to introduce cable television service in California, as well as his actions as a consultant for Kaiser Aluminum and Nelson A. Rockefeller.

James L. Baughman, professor and director of the UW School of Journalism and Mass Communication, said of Weaver's career: "Weaver became vice president in charge of television at NBC in late 1949. For the next seven years, he oversaw innovations in programming and advertising. Although a former advertising executive, Weaver plotted to undo the power that sponsors had heretofore exercised over individual broadcast series. Weaver championed longer programs that NBC—and not single advertisers—would control."

More Online Genealogical Services

The Society's online Wisconsin Genealogical Research Service at www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy/ogrs had a busy year. Librarians have added over 50,000 entries to the Wisconsin Name Index, an online database leading to obituaries, biographical sketches, and newspaper articles about Wisconsin ancestors.

Some of the new Name Index sources—which bring to more than 150,000 the total number of entries—focus on local county histories with biographical sketches; others are professional histories, many highlighting the women of Wisconsin, while still others center on Wisconsin's military history.

Family Tree Magazine, the nation's largest-circulation genealogy periodical, recently added the Society's Web site to its list of 101 best family-history Web sites, noting: "The Society's Wisconsin Name Index lets you search more than 100,000 obituaries and biographical sketches. Other digital resources include the Roster of Wisconsin Volunteers, War of the Rebellion, 1861–1865, and images from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. A nice adjunct is the Wisconsin Genealogical Research Service, which lets you use the Web site to search for and request hard copies of pre-1907 Wisconsin birth, death, marriage and Civil War service records."

Serendipity at Museum Lecture



In July, a Wisconsin Historical Museum lunch-hour lecture serendipitously brought together a donor of family papers, Lea Heine, with two scholars, Tom Lidtke, left, and Samuel Schiebler, who relied heavily on the papers.

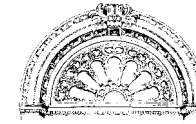
In early July, Lea Heine attended a lecture at the Wisconsin Historical Museum, "A New and Emerging Perspective on Milwaukee Panorama Painters." The topic interested her both because she is the great-granddaughter-in-law of Milwaukee panorama painter Friedrich Wilhelm Heine and because she had donated Friedrich's diaries years earlier to the Milwaukee County Historical Society.

To her surprise, Heine listened to presenters Tom Lidtke, executive director of the West Bend Art Museum, and Samuel Schiebler, cultural anthropologist, recount how Friedrich Wilhelm Heine's diaries led them to significant discoveries about the fate of panorama paintings created in Milwaukee, most of which have proved untraceable since the art form fell out of favor a hundred years ago.

The researchers recently also learned that the Society has in its visual materials collection several paintings of Civil War soldiers thought to be studies for panoramas, large group photos of many of the painters, and H. H. Bennett stereocards of the cycloramas on exhibit in the late 1800s. (See related story on page 10.)

Acquisitions

This Just In



Two hundred years after Meriwether Lewis and William Clark set out on their expedition to find an overland route to the Pacific Ocean, their voyage still resonates with many Americans. Fittingly, the Society library has added nine Lewis and Clark titles to its collections, including Greg MacGregor's *Lewis and Clark Revisited: a Photographer's Trail* and William E. Foley's *Wilderness Journey: the Life of William Clark*.

New Wisconsin acquisitions include a book by Hank Whipple, a member of the Board of Curators active in the Society's Underwater Archaeology Program: Whipple's recently published *An Underwater Maritime History of Bailey's Harbor, Wisconsin*.

The latest new-acquisitions list from the Society Library and Archives is available online at www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/acquisitions. The list of Wisconsin-oriented new acquisitions is at www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/acquisitions/wi.

Among Archives acquisitions are the Griffith H. Williams and Catherine Cleary collections, which include materials relating to various aspects of life in Wisconsin in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, while the Edson Sewell Bastin collection consists of diaries recounting Bastin's service in the Civil War.

Additions to the Archives' local government records include records from municipal and county courts, justices of the peace, and town and county offices, housed at the Society's Oshkosh, Green Bay, Milwaukee, and Stevens Point Area Research Centers.

Just in time for baseball season, the Library augmented its collection of sports history materials, with Donald Dewey's *10th Man: The Fan in Baseball History*, and Glenn Stout's history of the Boston Red Sox. New to Government Publications is the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau's report, "Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club Finances."

NEW TO THE LIBRARY

General Collection

Madsen, Daniel. *Resurrection: Salvaging the Battle Fleet at Pearl Harbor*. Annapolis, Md.: Naval Institute Press, c2003. D767.92 M33 2003

Dyess, William Edwin. *Bataan Death March: A Survivor's Account*. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, c2002. D805 P6 D93 2002

Graham, Herman. *The Brothers' Vietnam War: Black Power, Manhood, and the Military Experience*. Gainesville: University Press of Florida, c2003. DS559.8 B55 G73 2003

Shetrone, H. C. *The Mound-Builders*. Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, c2004. E73 S55 2004

Life in the White House: A Social History of the First Family and the President's House. Albany: State University of New York Press, c2004. E176.1 L45 2004

Clark, Kenneth Bancroft. *Toward Humanity and Justice: The Writings of Kenneth B. Clark, Scholar of the 1954 Brown v. Board of Education Decision*. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2004. E185.61 C623 2004

Du Bois, W. E. B. *The Social Theory of W.E.B. Du Bois*. Thousand Oaks: Pine Forge Press, c2004. E185.97 D73 A25 2004

Ferguson, Robert A. *Reading the Early Republic*. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2004. E209 F46 2004

Recent Wisconsin Additions

Will, Tracy. *Nineteenth Century Turn: The Photography of Alvah Weber*. [Mount Horeb, Wis.]: Mount Horeb Area Historical Society, c2000. Pamphlet Collection 03- 1655

Congregation Shalom Tercentenary Year: Fourth Anniversary Ball. Jewish Community Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 4, 1955. [Milwaukee, Wis. : Congregation Shalom, 1955] Pamphlet Collection 04- 780

"*This Is the Record*": *The Story of Wisconsin's Job's Daughters*. [Wisconsin: Job's Daughters, 1979] Pamphlet Collection 04- 785

Federal Government Publications

The War of the American Revolution Narrative, Chronology, and Bibliography. Center of Military History, 2004. D 114.2:AM 3/2004

2002 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics. U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 2003. HS 8.15:2002

Final Wilderness Study Environmental Impact Statement Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. National Park Service, 2004. I 29.79/6:AP 4/3/FINAL

Wisconsin Government Publications

Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club Finances. State of Wisconsin, Legislative Audit Bureau, 2004. WI Gov. Pub. AUD 2.1/2:B 74/2004. Available on the Internet: www.legis.state.wi.us/lab/reports/04-Brewers.pdf

Resources for Women Entrepreneurs. Wisconsin Department of Commerce, 2004. WI Gov. Pub. COMM 2.3:F 33/907/2004. Available on the Internet: <http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/MT/MT-FAX-0907.pdf>

Burden of Asthma in Wisconsin, 2004. Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health, 2004. WI Gov. Pub. HE.1/2:A 88/2004 Available on the Internet: www.dhfs.state.wi.us/eh/Asthma/WARP.htm

Wisconsin Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare, 2004. State of Wisconsin, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, 2003. WI Gov. Pub. INU.6/2:H 4/3/2004 Available on the Internet: http://oci.wi.gov/pub_list/pi-002.htm

NEW TO THE ARCHIVES

Catherine Cleary Papers. Papers, 1979–1995, consisting of Cleary's research for two articles published in the *Wisconsin Magazine of History* entitled, "Lavinia Goodell, First Woman Lawyer in Wisconsin," and "Married Women's Property Rights in Wisconsin, 1846–1972."

Edson Sewell Bastin Papers. Diaries recounting Bastin's military service with the 28th Wisconsin Infantry, Company G. The first two diaries document the years 1863 and 1864 and describe his military life including expeditions, illnesses, politics, duties, and camp life.

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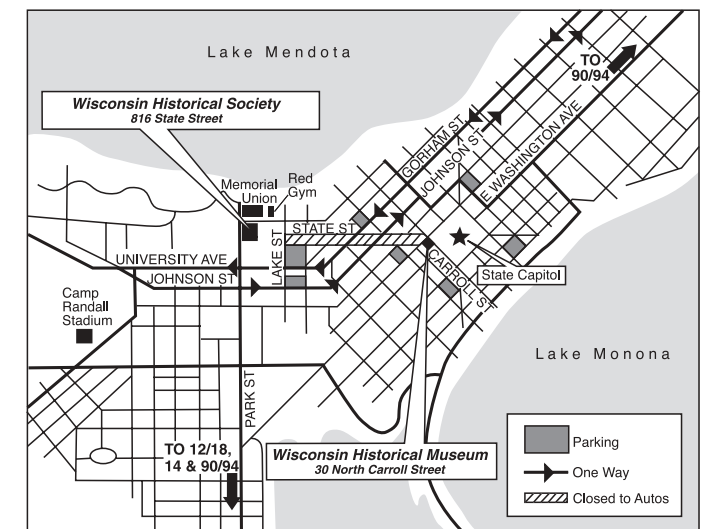
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Calendar of Events

SOCIETY EVENTS STATEWIDE

See page 6-7 for special events at the Society's statewide network of historic sites.

September 7, 12:15 PM

Wisconsin Historical Museum brown-bag lunch lecture: Speaker and Milwaukee radio disk jockey Bob Barry, known as the "Fifth Beatle," was at the center of Beatlemania, having introduced the group at their September 4, 1964, concert in Milwaukee. Barry will share stories, audio clips, and slides of his firsthand encounter with Beatles fans and "The Boys" themselves.

September 21, 12:15 PM

Wisconsin Historical Museum brown-bag lunch lecture: Join Bill Moen, co-author with Doug Davis of *Badger Bars & Tavern Tales: An Illustrated History of Wisconsin Saloons*, as he shares drinking stories from the 1820s to 1960. A book signing will follow the presentation.

October 1, 3:30 to 6:30 PM

UW-Madison Pyle Center: Join former UW Athletic Director Pat Richter for a Badger football season kickoff party and book signing with Terry Frei, author of *Third Down and a War to Go: The All-American 1942 Wisconsin Badgers*.



October 5, 12:15 PM

Wisconsin Historical Museum brown-bag lunch lecture: Wendy McCown, bureau director for the DNR's Forestry Services, marks the centennial of the state forestry program. McCown will recount the history of Wisconsin's forests, their dramatic recovery over the past 100 years, and issues facing the state's 16-million acres of forest.

October 6-10

In Madison, the Society headquarters and the Wisconsin Historical Museum will host some Wisconsin Book Festival programs, free and open to the public. For Madison and statewide schedules, watch for Festival announcements in local newspapers and see www.wisconsinbookfestival.org.

October 14, 6:30 to 9 PM

Wisconsin Historical Museum adult lecture and dinner series program, "When the Packers Were a Dynasty." \$22 for Society members, \$25 for non-members. Paid registration due October 7. For more information or to register, e-mail museum@whs.wisc.edu or call (608)264/6566.

October 16, 1 to 2 PM

Author and historian Richard Haney, who appeared on *Wisconsin World War II Stories*, will talk about his new book, *When Is Daddy Coming Home? An American Family during World War II*. Book signing to follow lecture.

October 19, 12:15 PM

Wisconsin Historical Museum brown-bag lunch lecture: Author John M. Russell will highlight the legends and lore that tell the humorous side of Wisconsin history. In 2003 Russell, longtime member of the Society's Board of Curators, published a compendium of events and sketches. A book signing will follow the lecture.

Please support Wisconsin Historical Museum programs by making a suggested program donation of \$2.00/person.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL MUSEUM EXHIBITS

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PERMANENT

People of the Woodlands: Wisconsin Indian Ways, second floor, tells stories of native peoples living in Wisconsin through the Fur Trade, and introduces the science and art of archaeology.

On Common Ground: Two Hundred Years of Wisconsin History, third and fourth floors, explores themes unique to Wisconsin history from settlement days to the present.

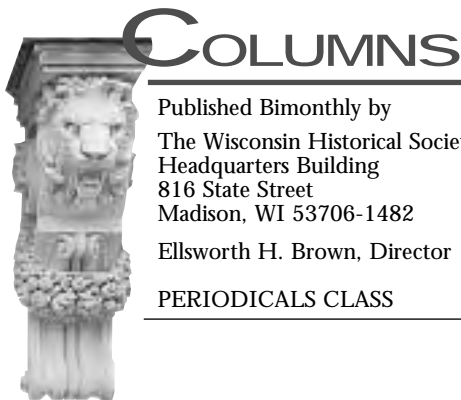
TEMPORARY

A new exhibit, *Cool Breezes Handheld Fans in Twentieth-Century American Folk Art, Fashion and Advertising*, will run at the museum from October 21 through January 17, 2005. The Society has added to the traveling exhibition of eighty fans some forty of its own handheld fans from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The museum collection includes fans of the Milwaukee elite, politically themed fans, souvenir fans from near and far, and wedding fans. Among the collection's treasures are a silk and mother-of-pearl Duvelleroy fan passed down through the Pabst family and a collection of Zona Gale Breese's souvenir fans.

Exhibits USA, which organized the traveling exhibition, is a national division of Mid-America Arts Alliance, a private, non-profit organization founded in 1972 to create access in local communities to arts and humanities exhibitions.



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