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Join us at our 2012

Winter Party

1611 Main St.

February 26, 1:00-4:00

Hosted by

Bill and Anita Doering

*Wine and Appetizers in
this lovely Craftsman
home.*

*\$15 per person
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Thanks to our retailers and to everyone who made this year's ornament of Granddad Bluff one of our best sellers. We briefly ran out but have restocked and plenty of ornaments are now available through our website or office for \$20 each.

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PAL board members and volunteers took part in the Rotary Lights Festival again this year.



Board members Mark Terpstra, Chuck Summers and Dee Peacock with volunteers Mariel Carlisle and Lyle Peacock help prepare the decorations at the Rotary Lights Building



Families and special canine friends joined PAL board members in the Rotary Light parade.



Board member Judy Cobb with our tree in Riverside Park.



Thanks also to Mariel Carlisle for putting up the tree with Judy and to Dee and Lyle Peacock who have given up their New Year's Day many times to take down our tree.

Watch the next newsletter for information on this year's Speaker Series.

Our Eighth Heritage Home Tour was held on Oct. 2 at the home of Chuck Summers. The great weather helped our success in our first PAL Chicken Q catered by Rooster Andy's.

1 127 CASS ST.



PAL is always looking for suggestions for future Heritage Home Tours. Please share your ideas with us!

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*PAL has received a generous donation from Joan Olstad Robinson of Albuquerque, NM
in honor of Dan and Amy Estep.*

Thank you for supporting PAL.

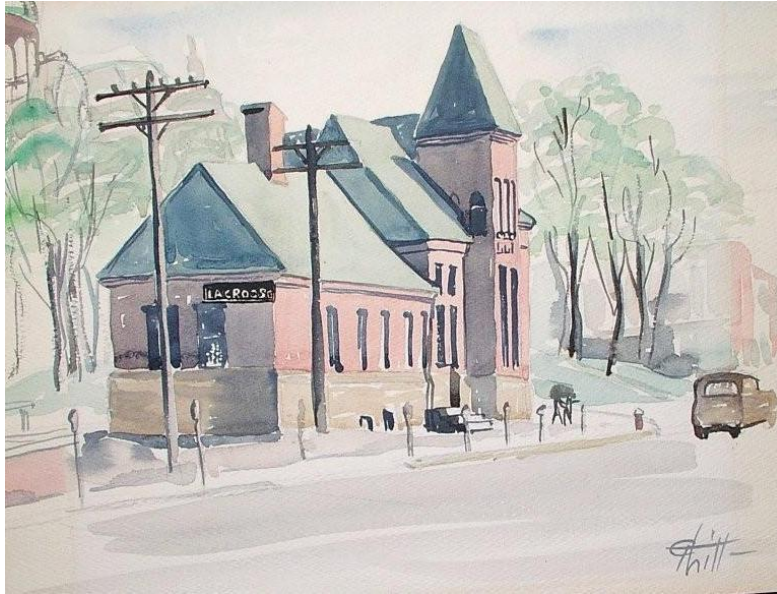
Donation forms are located on our website on the membership page.

Two new and easy ways to keep up with the Wisconsin Historical Society. You can find the Wisconsin Magazine of History on Facebook and Twitter.

"Like" the magazine's page to get facebook updates. [facebook.com/wisconsin.magazine.of.history](https://www.facebook.com/wisconsin.magazine.of.history)

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The C&NW Passenger Depot



This watercolor of the C&NW Passenger Depot was painted by Clementine Thill in 1941. She intended to document all the old depots in the area before they disappeared as this one eventually did. Clementine entered many art contest as well as winning the "Mrs. Typical Customer" essay contest. Her prize was a trip to New York where she met Mayor Fiorello La Guardia and had tea with Eleanor Roosevelt.

Clementine attended art school at the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts and contributed to the local art community with portraits of the Wis. governors and creating a map which was cased and displayed on Grandad Bluff.

Thanks to her granddaughter Kristina Bernette for contributing the images and information.

Clementine Nedvidek Thill (1902-1994) grew up in La Crosse where her mother was a naturopathic healer who ran a sanatorium in the 7th St area south of Cass. She lived with her husband Bernard in Onalaska before retiring to Florida.

Thanks to Dick Johnson, Onalaska, who did the research to validate the identity and location of this building.



Two views of the Chicago & Northwestern Passenger Depot that stood at 3rd and Vine.





**Rediske
Cobbler
Shop and
the Greek
Revival
House have
been
electrified
!**



<p>PAL applied for and received a grant from the La Crosse Co. Historic Sites Preservation Commission which enabled us to run electricity to our buildings on the corner of 6th and Badger. This is the first step toward improvements and more interactive use of the buildings.</p>	<p>Thank you to Jon Erickson for the generous donation of his time and expertise in this project.</p>	<p>The land transfer from Western Technical College has been completed allowing us to pursue the improvements to the property. We are working in cooperation with the La Crosse Co. Historical Society to create a mutual use plan.</p>
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While digging in the new power lines, workers and volunteers discovered the foundation to the old Hixon Carriage House torn down in the mid 1960's.



Local archeologists were called who helped preserve and mark the foundation outline for the future. This discovery even got coverage for a short news story on Channel 8.

Dear Friends of Preservation,

Membership renewal time is here again. Please take a moment right now to send in your 2012 membership. If you have already renewed, please invite a friend to join with the enclosed application or send in a gift membership for them. Check your mailing label for the date of your most recent membership.

PAL is in its fourth decade of promoting preservation in our community and we depend on you, our members, to help us in our efforts. Your support is much appreciated. Please contribute any ideas or suggestions you might have to help us promote our heritage--- and your tax deductible membership contribution for 2012.

Barbara Kooiman, President - Preservation Alliance of La Crosse



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