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Dear Friends of Preservation,

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.

PAL is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization and your membership and contributions are tax deductible. Please contribute any ideas or suggestions you might have to help us promote our heritage.

Are you a current member?

Check your mailing label on page 6. If your name is followed by "2014," you are a paid, current member. If not, please consider joining or rejoining PAL.

Is your PAL ornament set complete?

Limited ornaments are available during the summer at these local sites:

Finnottes	LACVB/Riverside Museum
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Looking for something specific?
Contact the PAL office directly.

608-784-1976

PAL's Joan Rausch Award National History Day

This year, UW-La Crosse hosted the regional competition for national History Day on March 31. PAL committee members attended and viewed several projects and presentations that fit the guidelines for our award. The NHD theme this year was Rights and Responsibilities. Entries were made at the Jr. and Sr. High levels in five different categories: Paper, Exhibit, Performance, Documentary, and Website.

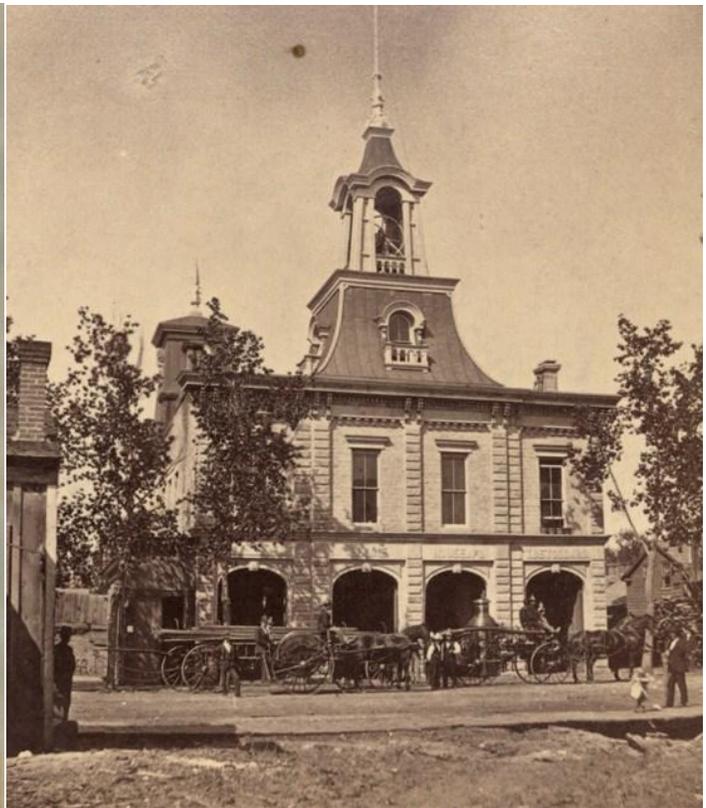
The Joan Rausch award goes to the entry that best fills our subject criteria of architectural preservation or regional history. This year's cash award went to Josh Perry and Lewis Moen for their Jr. Group Documentary: *La Crosse Rubber Mills: Working for a Better Future*

Architectural Treasure Hunt "Built in Brick"

First prize of a PAL membership and a night at the Wilson Schoolhouse Inn was won by Sarah Moe. A second place prize of one year's PAL membership was given to Carolynn Devine.



Wilson Schoolhouse Inn
5720 Highway 14-61, La Crosse, WI 54601 (608) 787-1982



The original plan and the front view of the La Crosse City Hall 1881 designed by W. H. J. Nichols. Thanks to Randy Turtenwald at the City Engineer's Office for copies of the plans.



207-215 Pearl St.



324 10th St. S

The 37th Annual Heritage Awards were given out on May 6 at the Freight House. We had a great turnout of 54 guests and honorees. Downtown Main Street Inc. was recognized for their years of preservation support. Robin Moses and Chris La Shorne accepted on behalf of D.M.I.



Robin Moses

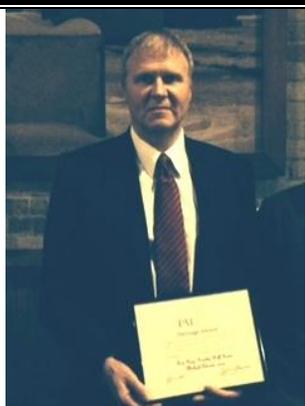
Individual awards were given to Mike Peterson for the restoration of his home at 324 10th St. and to T.J. and Michelle Peterslie for their role in the revival of the Pearl St. business area, in particular the stores at 207-215 Pearl and the Grand Ballroom.



Barb Kooiman presents certificate to Robin Moses and Chris La Shorne



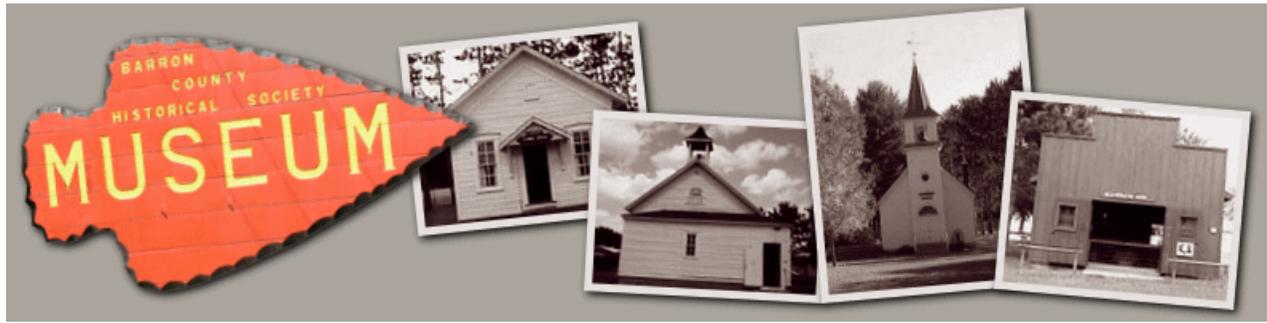
Grand Ballroom



Mike Peterson



T.J. and Michelle Peterslie



Pioneer Village Cameron, WI

A step into the past! The Barron County Historical Society has created a museum of buildings and artifacts that is open to the public Thursday through Sunday from 1-5 PM June through Labor Day. The museum site is 1.5 miles west of Cameron, WI, which is just south of Rice Lake. The site has 37 buildings consisting of 5 large display buildings including a one-of-a-kind exhibition hall with 40 glass front display cases filled with items from the past. A stroll down Pioneer Street allows you to 'visit' the buildings and shops on display, sit on the stone bed in the jail, watch a blacksmith at his forge, view the goods for sale in the General Store, see the assignment on the slate board in the school, and view the living arrangement of an early pioneer. The machine barn houses some history of farm and steam engines.

The first building moved to the site in 1967 was the one room Joliet School, built in 1905, followed by the Hedin Log House, built in 1890 which is displayed exactly as when occupied by the Hedin family (mother, father, grandmother, and 8 children!). In 1972, the Ebenezer Swedish Lutheran Church, built by the congregation in 1908, was moved to the site along with the Dentist Office which is furnished with an 1883 dental chair, the Farmstead Log House, the Soo Line Depot, the Barbershop complete with a vintage 1880 red and white striped barber pole, the General Store, and the Dallas Jail (yes, there exists a small community called

Dallas in WI!) which was constructed of native sandstone in 1903. In 1973, the Log Barn, the Post Office which was constructed in 1937 using saddle and notch construction, and the Windmill arrived at the site and in 1974 the Doctors Office and the 9-Sided Silo arrived. The Gas Station, built in 1931 and continuously operated by the original owner for 42 years, has restored hand operated pumps and the Meeting House, an 1877 chamfer and notch construction log house, joined the village in 1975. The Ulysses School (now the town hall) arrived in 1978. In 2004, the Saloon, a building dating to 1908, arrived and contains a 1896 back bar and a section of bar from the 1930's or earlier.

Some weekends host special events like a Vintage Baseball Round Robin (1860's rules!) or the annual Quilt Show. Heritage Days, July 12-15, is when volunteers in period dress staff the museum including the active blacksmith shop. Pioneer Village is an excellent example of how a group of like-minded preservationists worked together with the community to protect and save their local heritage and are pleased to share their efforts with the public for a nominal admission fee (\$8.00 adults, \$4.00 for children through age 12, under 5 free).

If you would like more information about Pioneer Village, call 715-458-2080 or visit their website at www.barroncountymuseum.com. It's historic, educational, and entertaining!

--Submitted by Judy Cobb



Check out our new website and like us on Facebook!

PAL board member, Andrew Londre has finished redesigning and updating our website at:
www.preservation-alliance.org

You can order ornaments, pay your membership, and keep up with all new PAL events. Our website will soon have back issues of newsletters dating back to 2008, updated Heritage Award photographs and links to several other donated historical photos, video clips, and related websites.

Liking us on Facebook will also keep you notified of current activities involving historic preservation.



The photo on the left is the line of people waiting to get into the Frank Lloyd Wright designed A.D. German Warehouse in Richland Center on June 8. An open house was held for the public to get a chance to see this long closed building.



**You can follow the renovation progress of this building and donate to their fund by finding
AD German Warehouse Conservancy, Inc on Facebook**

Whatever happened to the PAL Heritage Home Tours?

PAL sponsored eight years of wonderful home tours but have been unable to hold one since 2011. We keep hearing from people who would like to take the tour but have run short of people willing to host the tour. Do you live in an historical or architecturally interesting house? Do you have a collection that you would like to show off? PAL takes complete responsibility for the organization of tours and volunteers, all you have to do is open your doors. You open as much or as little of your house as you are comfortable with. If you know of an interesting building that could be opened for tour, please contact the PAL office. 608-784-1976 or preservationalliance@gmail.com.



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