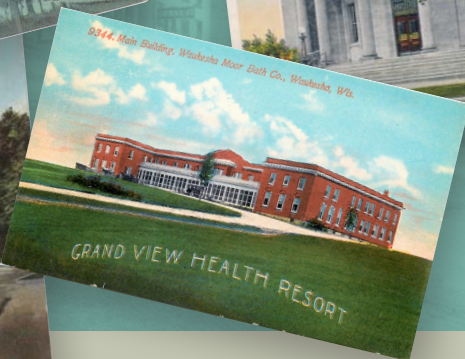


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WaukeshaPreservation.org

2014 Event Guidebook

Saturday, May 17th

Waukesha Preservation Days 2014

Tea: Luxury from Waukesha's Past

1:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m, 2:30 p.m & 3:00 p.m @ Springhouse TeaRoom, 340 W. Main Street

The atmosphere of taking tea is relaxed. Come converse while enjoying tea and small treats. \$5 will secure your seat.

Presented by The Steaming Cup

Waukesha County Museum Open House

10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. @ 101 W. Main Street

Event exclusive half-off general admission offer. In addition, the museum will feature 30 minute tours on the history of the 1893 courthouse building at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. No registration is required and all ages are welcome.

Presented by Waukesha County Museum and Historical Society

Open House Of Silurian Spring

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. @ Springs Park

Located in Springs Park behind the Waukesha Post Office. Waukesha Springs posters will be available for sale.

Presented by the Waukesha 1834 Club

In the spring's era, Waukesha held its reputation as a premier recuperation, relaxation and vacation destination. Taking tea in the lobby or dining room of one of our many springs venues created the perfect atmosphere of European luxury.



Built in 1885, 1893, and with a connecting addition in 1938, the building now known as the Waukesha County Museum was once the courthouse and jail for Waukesha County. This limestone structure is considered Richardsonian Romanesque and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Silurian Spring is one of the few springs still freely flowing in the city. A beautifully landscaped park once existed on this site with a bath house, pond, roller coaster, bandstand and bottling plant. Although the original springhouse no longer exists, the springhouse which stands today is almost 90 years old.





Waukesha, earlier known as Prairie Village, developed along early Indian trails which we now refer to as the “Five Points”. This location served as a hub for many business establishments.

A block away was McCoy's, which was advertised as the largest department store in the County. Located in the Ovitt Block at 741 Grand Avenue, the building remains, although it has been significantly altered.

at from Five Points, Waukesha, Wis.



In 1874, Tom Spence, owner of Horeb Spring Resort, built a tower on the highest point in the village (near the present site of Waukesha Memorial Hospital). For a time it was popular to spend an afternoon high up in the tower, which was said to have a view of Lake Michigan on a clear day. A small fee was charged to climb the 6-story lookout.



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Downtown Walking Tour of Historic Buildings

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tours begin at the Five Points in front of the Clarke Hotel, and cover the history of many buildings and businesses, including the Dr. David Roberts Building, the Nickell Building, and the Putney Block. Each tour lasts approximately 1-1 1/2 hours.

Presented by Marilyn Hagerstrand

Madison Street Historic District Walking Tour

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tours begin at the corner of Madison and Randall Street in Parkview Park, and cover the history of many properties, including the Elihu Enos House, Spence Tower, and the Senator William Blair House. Each tour lasts approximately 1-1 1/2 hours.

Presented by Waukesha Preservation Alliance

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Waukesha Springs Bus Tours

9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 2:00 p.m.

Springs have a deep-rooted history in Waukesha, with over 100 springs bringing water to our city, the nation, and even across continents.

Experience this one-of-a-kind guided bus tour throughout our city, with up-close views of Minniska Spring, Hobo Spring, Silurian Spring and more.

Bus Tours leave from the parking lot at the Southwest corner of Madison and St. Paul Ave. across from the fire station.

Space is limited, please arrive early to reserve your seat.

Presented by Bob Salb and Waukesha Preservation Alliance

Arcadian Spring was located on the corner of Arcadian and Hartwell Avenues. It opened in 1884 with the bottling plant directly across the street. The water was sold across the U.S. and in Europe. The plant later became an apartment complex.



On July 4, 1874, the Fountain Spring House opened for business. Built of Waukesha limestone, the Fountain Spring House was eventually rebuilt to twice its original size and included a half-mile dirt track for harness and jockey racing along with fields for croquet, tennis, and a billiards room.



Hygeia, the Romanesque Springhouse, was first advertised in 1869 and is notable for its role in the Great Pipeline Battle. In 1891, James E. McElroy developed a scheme to lay a pipeline to the 1893 Columbia Exposition in Chicago and sell Waukesha water there. The springhouse was torn down shortly after World War I.





White Rock dates back to 1871 when H.M. Colver bought the spring and its surrounding 60 acres. The grounds were complete with a spring house and later a health hotel.

The water was also bottled and distributed across the country.



At its height, Bethesda Spring property included a massive springhouse with an ornate curved roof with gold leafing. Around this were landscaped grounds with a pool of water leading to the Fox River and a hill with the word "Bethesda" set in each side. All around were more spring houses, paths, potted plants, a large gateway, and the Terrace Hotel.



Lithia Spring was located near Arcadian Spring, fronting Hartwell Avenue. Opened in 1891, spring water was bottled in olive-green bottles. Lithia water was even sold to Africa where it was shipped down the Nile River.



Hobo Spring, so named because it was used by the transients who came off the nearby Soo Line railroad, still flows today and is one of the few original reminders of Waukesha's 19th century springs and resort era. In 1997, a restoration project for the spring was completed.



Waukesha Spring Brewing Co. was located on Maple Avenue. The brew house was made of stone and brick and featured arched windows and a four-sided tower with cupola. The large "Fox Head" bottle in the foreground was the spring house. The company later became Imperial Spring Brewery Co., Waukesha-Milwaukee Brewing Co. and Fox Head Brewing Co.

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Antique Cars On Display

8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. @ Corner of Madison & St. Paul Ave.

Six clubs to participate in this event (weather permitting).

Presented by Waukesha Old Car Club



Historic Brewery Memorabilia Display

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. @ Fixture Brewing Co., 716 Clinton St.
For just one day, select pieces of Waukesha brewery memorabilia from private collections will be on display in Waukesha's only operating brewery. Sample from Fixture Brewing Company's brews with an Exclusive Event Only Buy One, Get One promotion.

Presented by Fixture Brewing Company, Waukesha 1834 Club

First State Bank Building Open House

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. @ 744 N Grand Ave.

View the renovations in progress of this former bank building. See the newly discovered bank vault.

Presented by Curt Otto, and Leticia Guzman Agency - American Family Insurance

The history of the automobile is filled with rich and unique stories. Period cars from 1900 to the early 1950s will be lined up for viewing, highlighting the role the automobile has played in our past and showcasing their unique designs.



Waukesha's spring water was popular for bottling. In addition, the famous spring water was used for brewing beer. A few of the breweries included West Hill Brewery, Bethesda Brewery, Weber Brewing Co., Imperial Spring Brewery, and Fox Head Brewing Co.



The First State Bank Building was originally constructed between 1890 and 1895, and was a brick building with rubble stone on the north side. The present appearance of the facade resulted from a major remodeling in the late 1920's. The exterior of the facade and north elevation is now veneered with stone.





Built in 1874, this house later became the home of Nancy Price who was one of Waukesha County's earliest settlers. In the 1900's, it was the home of Judge David Evans whose career ended when he tried to address gambling and corruption in Waukesha County. Instead, he ended up being brought up on charges of corruption and perjury.

This large, Queen Anne style home was built in 1885 by Captain Elihu Enos, Waukesha county's first school superintendent. The home was designed by Samuel Dodd, a local architect and builder.



The exact construction date of this house is unknown. In the late 1800's, it was home to James and Lemyra (Oliver) Dent. Mr. Dent served as Assistant U.S. Marshall and later in the state legislature. In the early 1900's it was owned by Orlo Daubner who remodeled the house and built the Supreme Bottling Plant on the grounds.

Sunday, May 18th

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Open Houses of Historic Buildings in the Madison Street Historic District

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Take an exclusive guided tour through these private residential homes, showcasing their exquisite carpentry details and uncovering their rich history.

Price-Evans House

120 Randall Street

Elihu Enos House

517 Madison Street

(Recipient of the George Gunn Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation 2013)

Dent-Daubner-Condos House

401 Randall Street

Presented by The Neighbors of Tower Hill

WAUKESHA PRESERVATION ALLIANCE

As a member of the Waukesha Preservation Alliance, you have the opportunity to partner with individuals in our community who share your interest in protecting and promoting Waukesha's rich architectural and cultural history.

For more information, including a membership application, please visit www.WaukeshaPreservation.org

The preservation of Waukesha's unique historic resources has the power to strengthen community pride, increase property values and stimulate our economy.

Membership Benefits

- Learn more about a variety of preservation-related topics by reading our semi-annual newsletter.
- Attend workshops on a variety of topics at a reduced price.
- Obtain regular updates on preservation and development issues.
- Acquire reclaimed historic materials before the general public and receive a 10% discount.
- Get assistance in completing a Local Landmark designation application and obtaining historic preservation tax credits.
- Express your enthusiasm for individual historic properties and districts by attending or serving as a volunteer docent for an open house or walking tour.

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