

2016 Event Guidebook

Saturday, May 21st

INFORMATION BOOTH

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. @ Corner of Madison & St. Paul Ave. Guidebooks and Scavenger Hunt forms will be available. Drop off your completed Scavenger Hunt form here. Come view the 1934 Pirsch Fire Truck, a masterfully restored piece of Waukesha history. Weather Permitting.

Presented by Waukesha Old Car Club

FIREFIGHTING HISTORY

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. @ 130 W. St. Paul Ave., Firestation #1 Come explore the history of firefighting in Waukesha. Exhibit includes the tools and equipment used by Waukesha firefighters over the last 160+ years.

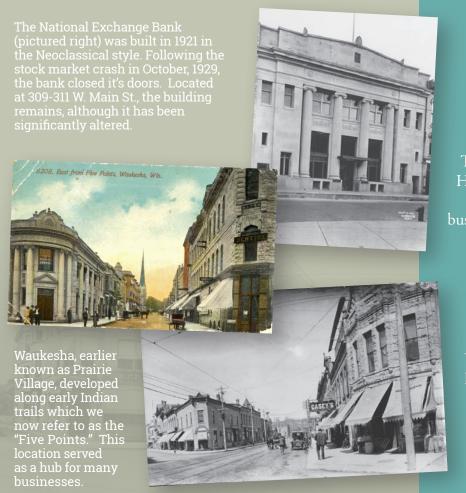
Presented by the City of Waukesha Fire Department



Pictured here is South St.
Most of these buildings are gone today, including the original YMCA.
A survivor is the Wisconsin Gas and Electric building, located at 225 South St., which is now home to a restaurant.

The City of Waukesha Fire Department was founded on July 21, 1852 as Reliance Hook and Ladder Company Number 1. It was formed with a complement of 28 volunteers, a hook and ladder wagon, 5 ladders, 3 pike poles, 4 axes, 20 pails and 100 feet of hose, for a total cost of \$100.





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DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

10 a.m and 2 p.m.

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

Presented by Marilyn Hagerstrand

GAMES ON THE GREEN

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. @ Springs Park

Come play! Located in Springs Park, behind the Waukesha Post Office. Try out some of our favorite historic toys and games including graces, jacks, and thaumatropes. Kids of all ages will have a chance to make their own toy to take home as well. Presented by the Waukesha County Historical Society & Museum, Waukesha Landmarks Commission & Waukesha Preservation Alliance

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SPRINGS PARK/ARCADIAN SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD WALKING TOUR

10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tours begin at the corner of Hartwell Avenue and Fulton St. Each tour lasts approximately 1-1/2 hours. The tour covers the Springs Park area, Hartwell Avenue, Arcadian and East Avenue area. This entire neighborhood was a hub for springs businesses from Hickory Grove Villa to Resthaven, from Arcadian Mineral Spring Company to Waukesha Roxo Company, and many more.

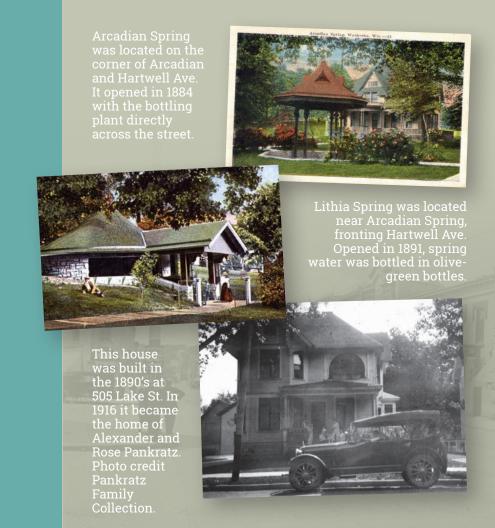
Presented by Waukesha Preservation Alliance

OPEN HOUSE OF SILURIAN SPRING

10 a.m. - 3 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





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. Water from Silurian was shipped all over the world due to its purity. Built in 1927, this classical octagonal springhouse (#1) replaced a 19th-century springhouse (#2) that also had eight sides. Although constructed at the end of the Springs era, the Silurian Springhouse is considered historically significant as a reminder of the importance of the springs to Waukesha, both economically and culturally. The tile murals on the springhouse's facade were made by the Kraftile Corporation and are in the process of being restored.



The Merten house was built in 1890 for Charles Merten at 929 Rosemary St. The house is based off of a plan by Robert Shoppell, a New York architect who operated a mail order blue print service. This house is noted as Shoppell plan #190 in Shoppell's Modern Houses.

Sunday, May 22nd

OPEN HOUSES OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

MAJ. J. R. BUCHANAN HOUSE
12 p.m. - 4 p.m. @ 319 NW Barstow St.
Presented by the Richardson Family, and
Shorewest Realtor Sue Derby

SEN. WILLIAM BLAIR HOUSE 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. @ 434 Madison St. Presented by Bob & Lisa Salb

DR. NICELY HOUSE

12 p.m. - 4 p.m. @ 620 N. Hartwell Ave.

Presented by the Szpek Family





Director of the State Bank and Waukesha Co. National Bank, and trustee of the Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH

5 p.m. Refreshments

HISTORY OF LATINOS IN WAUKESHA

6 p.m. Presentation
Cafe Esperanza @ 410 Arcadian Ave.
Latinos began arriving in Waukesha in the 1920s.
Many came through Texas and the Midwestern states, often employed as migrant workers, working in the north during summers and in

Texas during winter. When the workforce began

to work more in factories, many Latinos decided

to permanently settle in Waukesha. Learn more

during this informative presentation.

Presented by La Casa de Esperanza

2016 WAUKESHA LANDMARKS COMMISSION AWARDS

George Gunn Award: Ron Raasch [Two Hands Restoration], as well as Joe Philips and Jeffrey Phillips.

John Schoenknecht Spirit of Preservation Award: Dennis Mohr, Waukesha Aviation Club President.

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 preservationt 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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