



# McFarland Historical Society

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## Open House and Bake Sale at the Museum

The McFarland Historical Museum at 5814 Main Street opens for the 2017 season beginning Memorial Day, May 29. Stop in from 10 am until 4 pm to purchase some excellent baked goods, and to see our new addition and the unique double pointed rowboat in the new display area. It still has a long way to go before restoration is complete but how wonderful that we finally have it in the museum. You can also take a peak at our new records room that now houses so many of our resources, historic records and materials for making new displays. This has affected the lobby by creating an inviting space for museum visitors. You will notice plaques on the walls honoring donors for the new addition. We are still putting together the list of donors at the bronze (\$200) and pewter levels (\$100) and those who donate \$25 for the "Float the Boat" book. If you are so moved to contribute for the cost of restoring the boat and preparing the new displays, please contact Dale Marsden at 838-3992 or send your check to:

McFarland Historical Society,  
P.O. Box 94, McFarland, WI, 53558.



*Moving the boat - L to R - Wes Licht, Ken Brost, Joe Larson, Dale Marsden, Rod Clark, Bob Kolek.*

### Bake Sale on Memorial Day

On May 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our annual bake sale and museum opening. Proceeds from the bake sale will be applied to operating expenses. We need your donations of pies, cakes, cookies and other goodies to make this event a success. You may be called and requested to bake goods for donations to the bake sale. Baked items may be brought to the museum Sunday, May 26, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, and on Memorial Day, May 29, from 8:30 to 10:00 am. Also for sale will be ice cream sundaes, hot dogs, root beer floats and popcorn for all to enjoy as they watch the parade. Carriage rides provided by Wes Licht and his pair of Morabs will start soon after the end of the parade and run until about 3:00 pm.

### Strawberry Shortcake Social on Father's Day

On Father's Day, June 18, from 1:00 - 4:00, you will be able to give your dad, grandfather or son, an extra SPECIAL TREAT! Bring your family to the Larson House Strawberry Shortcake Social. There will be games, live entertainment, house tours, and great food. Fresh, homemade strawberry shortcake is featured and also sundaes, hot dogs, and beverages. Youngsters who will be in third grade through eighth grade are encouraged to write a 50 to 100-word essay on "What I Like About My Dad." Please turn in the essay at the Larson House at 6003 Exchange Street during the event on June 18. A drawing for 3 essays, to be read by the winners, will occur at 3:00 pm.



## Larson House Museum is Open Memorial Day

In addition to the museum, log cabin and farm annex, the Larson House Museum at 6003 Exchange Street will be open for visitors from 1 to 4 PM on Memorial Day and the following Sundays through September. Did you know that you can rent the Larson House Museum for special events? Contact Jane Licht at 838-8178.

### World War I Presentation “Beyond the Trenches” Coming to Library

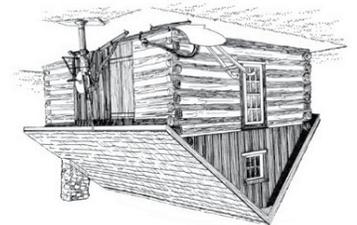
The son and grandson of Army veterans, Russell Horton is the Reference & Outreach Archivist at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum. He will be speaking about the stories of Wisconsin Men and Women in World War I to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the US entering World War I. The program “Beyond the Trenches” will be held Wednesday June 21 at 6:30 pm at the E.D. Locke Public Library. Hope you can join us.



*Cleaning house - Carole Pingel, Barb Doran, Rosalie Richardson*

### Thanks to Our Members for Their Good Work

Thanks to the crew of ladies who thoroughly cleaned the Larson House Museum on April 28: Cheryl Ackley, Thelma Allen, Peggy Anderson, Ginny Dodson, Barb Doran, Betty Krisher, Jane Licht, Carole Pingel, Marlene Richard, Cathy Richards, Rosalie Richardson, Carol Torgeson, and Barb Voelker. Thanks also to Dale Marsden for painting the entire floor in the Museum and to Dick Kohl, Wes Licht, Jane Licht, Bob Kolek, Cindy Clark, Rod Clark and Joe Larson for cleaning and moving artifacts to allow for the painting project.



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