

# An Extraordinary Opportunity to Learn in the Classroom and Field!

On May 5th you will learn barn restoration skills and techniques from the experts. Five regionally and nationally-known barn and farm building contractors will be teaching at four barns in Sauk County. This workshop will keep you with contractors all-day long.

If you are the owner of a barn needing attention, a contractor interested in learning more barn restoration skills, or a barn enthusiast, this workshop is for YOU! This workshop is being sponsored by Barns N.O.W. (Network of Wisconsin), Sauk County UW Extension, the Wisconsin Trust for Historic Preservation and the State Historical Society of Wisconsin.

## Your Learning Opportunities

Whether you simply want to save your barn or convert it to a new use, the same broad principles and needs apply. You need to:

- \* Find out what's wrong (or right) with my barn
- \* Develop a preservation plan, and
- \* Understand basic preservation skills and techniques

Our five contractors will help you figure out "what's wrong with your barn." They will provide instruction on roof replacement options, foundation repairs, timber framing and water damage. They will also talk about adaptive reuse options such as heating and ventilating concerns, structural strategies and roofing approaches. Bring your photos and questions so you can make progress toward your restoration plan!

## How You Will Learn in the Classroom and in the Field

Saturday will be divided into several distinct learning segments. In the morning, you will hear presentations by the contractors on barn rehabilitation and adaptive reuse systems. After an early lunch, you will go to the field for the remainder of the day.

Two options are available after lunch: A) an on-site demonstration at a nearby work barn -OR- B) a three barn technical tour. Each technical tour barn was selected for its instructional value. One is a "wonderland" of adaptive reuse ideas. Another is a lovely, 1922 Sears & Roebuck barn. The last one is a large, typical, gambrel barn needing some help, but being used very creatively. **Please note:** Saturday afternoon activities are mutually exclusive; you will have to select one or the other. Please indicate your choice on the registration form. Work barn attendance will be capped at the first 60 people to register.

## Who You Will Be Learning From:

- \* Rick Bott of North Freedom, Wisconsin, has owned and operated R&B Enterprises since 1972 and specializes in historical and structural analysis of barns. He designs and retrofits barns for modern usage and markets antique lumber.
- \* Bryon Perona owns Country Craftsman in Salem, Wisconsin, specializing in alternative use conversions, such as barns to homes, churches or museums. His technical specialty includes rib steel roofing, timber frame repairs and barn residing.
- \* Pat and Mark Stitt operate a father/son restoration company out of Freemont, Michigan. They travel the Midwest with their semi-truck repairing and restoring barns.
- \* Mike Woodford operates a full-service restoration company in Apucia Station, New York. His work is highly regarded all up and down the East Coast.

## Look at the Entire Workshop Package!

Friday, May 4th, starting at 4:30 PM, we will gather at The Barn Restaurant in Baraboo for an evening of socializing (free hors d'oeuvres) with contractors and barn owners. Bring your photos along! After dinner (on your own), we will have a presentation by Wisconsin's very own barn philosopher and writer, Jerry Apps. The Barn Restaurant is a 100+ year old vintage gable barn that was converted to a restaurant in 1947.

Saturday, May 5th, we will convene at the West Square Building in downtown Baraboo at 8:00 AM. A continental breakfast will be provided. After introductory remarks, contractors will present two hours of discussion on barn rehabilitation and adaptive reuse planning. Lunch will be served around 11:15. At Noon, buses depart for the work barn and technical tour. Remember, you can only go to one of these field activities. Snacks will be available throughout the afternoon. At 4:30 PM, the buses arrive back from field activities. You then have one last chance to ask your questions at a contractor's panel. That is it. An action-packed day of learning with some of America's best contractors.

## Other Workshop Activities and Opportunities

- \* *Old Barn Art Exhibit:* An exhibit of barn art will be on display in the West Square Building during the workshop. Both professional artists and young artists from Sauk County will be displaying their works.
- \* *Spend the weekend in scenic Sauk County:* You can visit Devil's Lake State Park, the Circus World Museum, the International Crane Foundation or the Mid-Continent Steam Train Museum and much more. Don't forget The Barn Restaurant's famous Sunday Brunch!

# Registration Form

Registration will be limited to 140 people **Registrations are due by April 23, 2001, (April 18th for Sauk County residents' special pricing) and will be on a "first-come, first-serve" basis.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop Fees: \$60 per person or \$100 per couple.

For Sauk County Residents \$50 per person or \$90 per couple.

Registration fee includes Friday social hour, Jerry Apps lecture, Saturday morning continental breakfast, instruction, lunch, bus tour and conference packets.

# of participants \_\_\_\_ @ \$60 or \_\_\_\_ @ \$100 = \$ \_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ @ \$50 or \_\_\_\_ @ \$90 = \$ \_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Wisconsin Trust for Historic Preservation**  
Mail "Registration Form" with payments to:

*Sauk County UW Extension Office  
ATTN: B.A.R.N.S. Registration  
505 Broadway  
Baraboo, WI 53913*

*Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation notification and a Sauk County map. If you must cancel, please do so by Friday, April 27, 2001. Cancellations after that date will not be refunded.*

Please indicate which afternoon session you plan to attend. Option "A" is limited to the first 60 registrations.

\_\_\_\_\_ Option A \_\_\_\_\_ Option B

## SAUK COUNTY WELCOMES YOU!

Sauk County is just 45 minutes north of Madison. The seminar will be held in the West Square Building, the county office building, across from the historic Courthouse in beautiful downtown Baraboo.

The on-site demonstrations will be held around the county. Bus transportation will be provided from site to site.

**Register Early!!!**

Space is limited to the first 140 paid individuals.

A list of accommodations in the area may be obtained by calling:

- ◇ Baraboo Area Chamber of Commerce  
(608) 356-8333
- ◇ Reedsburg Area Chamber of Commerce  
(608) 524-2850
- ◇ Wisconsin Dells Visitor & Convention Bureau  
(608) 254-4636 or Toll Free (800) 223-3557

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**For workshop information, call the Sauk County Extension Office at 608-355-3250. For barn preservation information, call Roger Springman, President, Barns N.O.W. at 608-223-9548 evenings.**

Be sure to take time during your stay to visit scenic and historic Sauk County!



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# B.A.R.N.S. Workshop

**Barn Adaptations & Restorations  
in Sauk:  
A Technical Workshop**

*The Twelfth workshop held on barn restorations in Wisconsin.*



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## May 4 - 5, 2001

Sauk County West Square Building  
505 Broadway  
Baraboo, Wisconsin

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