

WI Barn Adaptive Reuse Projects

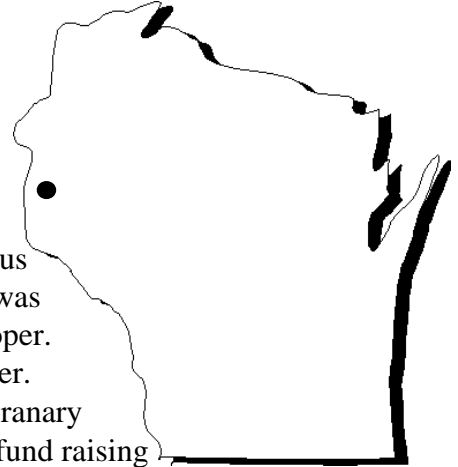
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Present Use: Flea Market - New Richmond Heritage Center
Type of Barn: Post & beam "bank barn" with gambrel roof (plus granary & tile silo)

Owner's/ Contact Person's Name: New Richmond Preservation Society, Inc.
Address: Lynn Regnier, Executive Director
1100 Heritage Drive, P.O. Box 184
New Richmond, WI 54017

Date of Conversion: 1986
Approximate Project Cost(s): \$ 20,000

Brief Outline of Project: This 1916 barn, as well as the tile silo and granary, were originally part of the 1884 (320-acre) Marcus Sears Bell farm. The farmhouse, listed on the National Register, was moved in 1982 to save it (and the barns) from burning by a developer. The buildings are now home to the New Richmond Heritage Center. Renovation included a new cedar shingle roof for barn, silo, and granary alike plus additional repair expenses. The barn is now used for a fund raising flea market while the two story granary is used for storage, exhibits and a workshop. The Heritage Center is open year-round for tours, events, and programs.



Success of Project: The flea market is a popular shopping/recycling center in the area. Gross sales increase annually (\$594 in 1986 to over \$16,500 in 1995) and the flea market is now held every Saturday, May through October in the large barn. A local Farmer's Market is also held at the Heritage Center from July through October.

Contractors Used: Local contractors

Project Photographs:

