



Supportive Resources and Literature

for the Wisconsin Barn Preservation Initiative*

This document identifies technical information, publications and audiovisual materials that are available to assist barn owners with the process of barn rehabilitation. Where noted, these publications can be found in the various UW-Madison campus libraries or directly from the source cited. Individuals who are not affiliated with the University can borrow these materials through their local libraries using the Wisconsin Inter-Library Services (WILS). If you are aware of other related resources that should be included in this document, please contact the author.

*As the revision date below indicates, this information is periodically updated. To receive the most current materials please contact the author or access the information at the following Internet address:
<http://www.uwex.edu/lgc/barns/barns.htm>*

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Barns- General

Co-operative Architects, New York. 1883. How to build, furnish and decorate. New York, The Co-operative Building Plan Association

Location: Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Monographs
Call No.: F-681 Cat. B

Consisting of elevations and plans for houses, barns, and every description of outbuilding, accompanied with clear and concise instructions.

Endershy, Elric. 1992. Barn: The Art of a Working Building. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin.

Location: Art Library
Call No.: NA 8230 E47 1992

Fish, Norman S. 1924. Building the Dairy Barn. Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station Publication.

Location: Steenbock Library, Documents Collection
Call No.: RBW7 AA B874 369

James Manufacturing Company. 1916. The James Way: A Book Showing How to Build and Equip a Practical Up-To-Date Dairy Barn. Fort Atkinson, WI. (catalog ; no. 19)

Location: Historical Society Library Rare Book Collection
Call No.: SF92 J34 1916

James Manufacturing Company. 1917. The James Way: A Book Showing How to Build and Equip a Practical Up-To-Date Dairy Barn. Fort Atkinson, WI. (catalog ; no. 23)

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: SF92 J35 1917

James Manufacturing Company. 1917. The James Way: A Book Showing How to Build and Equip a Practical Up-To-Date Dairy Barn. Fort Atkinson, WI. (catalog ; no. 25)

Location: Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Monographs
Call No.: C-17258

James Manufacturing Company. 1920. The James Way: A Book Showing How to Build and Equip a Practical Up-To-Date Dairy Barn. Fort Atkinson, WI. (catalog ; no. 24)

Location: Steenbock Library Cutter Collection
Call No.: RXBP J23

This edition is issued May 1, 1918 ... --- verso title page.

James Manufacturing Company. 1921. The James Way: A Book Showing How to Build, Ventilate and Equip a Practical Up-To-Date Dairy Barn. Fort Atkinson, WI. (catalog ; no. 31)

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: TH4930 J35

James Manufacturing Co. 1922. The Jamesway : a book showing how to equip a practical up to date dairy barn. Fort Atkinson, Wis : The Company. (Catalog ; no. 37)

Location: Steenbock Library Cutter Collection
Call No.: RXBP J23 1922

Noble, Allen G. Wilhelm, Hubert G. H. 1995. Barns of the Midwest. Ohio University Press, Athens, Ohio.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No. NA8230 B27 1995

Noble, Allen George. 1995. The old barn book : a field guide to North American barns and other farm structures. New Brunswick, N.J.: Rutgers University Press.

Location: Geography Library
Historical Society Library
Call No.: NA8230 N63 1995

Based on v. 2, Barns and farm structures, of A.G. Noble's Wood, brick, and stone, published in 1984 by the University of Massachusetts Press, Amherst.

Pain, William. 1797. The carpenter's pocket directory. [Microform]. Philadelphia : J. H. Dobelbower and J. Thackara.

Location: Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Monographs
Call No.: MF-2977 reel 66

Contains the best methods of framing timber buildings of all figures and dimensions, with their several parts ... with the plan and sections of a barn: engraved on twenty-four plates, with explanations, forming the most complete and useful work of the kind yet published.

Pain, William. 1803. The carpenter's pocket directory. [Microform]. New ed. London : J. Taylor. (London: Printed by W. Stratford)

Location: Memorial Library Microforms/Media Center Room 443
Call No.: Micro Film 5491 Reel 1775

Parrot, Kathleen, Schulte, Dennis, and Ann Dellenbarger. N.D. Historic Farmsteads. North Central Regional Extension. NCR 371.

Location: Historical Society Pamphlet Collection
Call No.: 92-943

Radford, William A. 1907. 20th century practical barn plans. Chicago, Ill. : America Publishing Co.

Location: Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Monographs
Call No.: D-1000 Cat. B

A complete collection of practical, economical and common-sense plans of barns, out buildings and stock sheds.

Rawson, Richard. 1979. Old Barn Plans. New York, NY: Mayflower Books.

Location: Art Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230 R38

Southern Pine Association. 1923. Southern pine barns and how to build them. New Orleans, La. : The Association.

Location: Steenbock Library Cutter Collection
Call No.: RXBP SO8 S

Wells, Wilson L. 1976. Barns in the U.S.A. San Diego, CA: Acme Print Co.

Location: Historical Society Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230 W4

Zeasman, Otto R. 1921. Dairy Barns. Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station Publication.

Location: Steenbock Library, Documents Collection
Call No.: RBW7 AA B874 325

The Barn as a Symbol and Cultural Element

Arthur, Eric R. and Dudley Whitney. 1972. The Barn: A Vanishing Landmark in North America. Greenwich, CT: New York Graphic Society.

Location: Historical Society Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: I 29.84:20

Calkins, Charles F. 1979. The Barn as an Element in the Cultural Landscape of North America. Monticello, IL: Vance Bibliographies.

Location: Geography Library
Call No.: NA8230C34

Frates, Dennis. 1992. "Barns: Exploring the Americana." Petersen's Photographic Magazine. May: 104-105.

Part of a special issue.

Halsted, Byron David. 1881, t.p. 1883. Barn plans and outbuildings. New York: Orange Judd Co.

Location: Steenbock Library Cutter Collection
Call No.: RXBP H16

Halsted, Byron David. (ed.) 1977. Barns, Sheds and Outbuildings. Brattleboro, VT: Stephen Greene Press.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA 8201 H2 1977

Reprint of the 1881 ed. published by Orange Judd, New York under title: Barn plans and outbuildings.

Harris, Bill. 1991. Barns of America. New York, NY: Crescent Books.

A pictorial guide to historic barn styles in the United States. Available from publisher.

Kirk, Malcolm. 1994. Silent spaces : the last of the great aisled barns. 1st ed. Boston: Little, Brown.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230 K48 1994

Schuler, Stanley. 1984. American Barns in a Class by Themselves. Exton, PA: Schiffer Publishing Ltd.

Location: Historical Society Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230S38 1984

Sloane, Eric. 1954. American barns and covered bridges. New York : W. Funk.

LOCATION Historical Society Library Microforms Room
1990. 1 microfilm reel : negative ; 35 mm.

Sloane, Eric. 1976. Eric Sloane's An Age of Barns. New York, NY: Funk & Wagnalls.

Location: Art Library
Historical Society Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA 8230 S57 1976

Ziegler, Phil. 1985. Storehouses of Time: Historic Barns. Camden, ME: Down East Books.

Location: Historical Society Pamphlet Collection
Call No.: 86-4232

Pictorial and Historical Works by State

California

Thollander, Earl. 1974. Barns of California. 1st edition. San Francisco: California Historical Society.

Location: Historical Society Library, Oversize Collection
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NC139 T47 A42

Illinois

Badger, David A. 1991. The Badger Collection Presents Drawings of the Barns of Fulton County. Havana, IL: D.A. Badger.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: NA8230B22 1991

Iowa

Jacobsen, James and Cheryl Peterson. 1986. Iowa Round Barns: The Sixty Year Experiment Thematic Resources. Des Moines, IA: Iowa State Historical Department.

These thematic studies document barns included in the National Register of Historic Places. Contact the Iowa State Historical Department for Availability.

Soike, Lowell J. 1983. Without Right Angles: The Round Barns of Iowa. Des Moines, IA: Iowa State Historical Department.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: 84-1945

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230S59 1983

Massachusetts

Josephs, Peter C. 1974. The Remarkable Brick Barns of Martha's Vineyard. Chilmark, MA: Brick Barn Press.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: 74-5067

New York

Fink, Daniel. 1987. Barns of Genesee County, 1790-1915: including an Account of Settlement and Changes in Agricultural Practices. Genesco, NY: J. Brunner.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: NA8230 F55 1987

Peckham, Mark L. 1984. Central Plan Dairy Barns of New York Thematic Resources. Albany, NY: New York State Division for Historic Preservation.

*A thematic study documenting barns listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
Contact the New York State Division for Historic Preservation for Availability.*

Pennsylvania

Ensminger, Robert F. 1992. The Pennsylvania Barn: Its Origin, Evolution, and Distribution in North America. Baltimore, MD: John Hopkins University Press.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: NA8230 E5 1992

Glass, Joseph W. 1986. The Pennsylvania Culture Region: A View From the Barn. Ann Arbor, MI: UMI Research Press.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: NA8230 G58 1986

Scott, Stephen. 1992. Amish houses and barns. Intercourse, PA : Good Books.

Location: Historical Society Library Pamphlet Collection
Call No.: 92- 2492

Shoemaker, Alfred Lewis. 1953. Hex, no!. Lancaster, Pa. : The Pennsylvania Dutch Folklore Society.

Location: Art Library
Call No.: NA8230 S45

Nova Scotia

Burrows, Mildred P. 1985. A History of Clifton and Old Barns in Colchester County. Truss, N.S: The Museum.

Location: Historical Society Pamphlet Collection
Call No.: 89-2485

Vermont

State of Vermont. 1992. Vermont Barn Preservation Grant Manual. Division of Historic Preservation. Agency of Development and Community Affairs.

Contact the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation for Availability.

Zirblis, Suzanah. 1991-92. The Vermont Barn: An Endangered Species? Historic Vermont. No. 2

Contact the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation for Availability.

Wisconsin

Apps, Jerold W. 1977. Barns of Wisconsin. Madison, WI: Tamarack Press.

Location: Historical Society Pamphlet Collection

Call No.: 77-17142

Location: Historic Society Library
Steenbock Library

Call No.: TH4930A66

Eisley, Jane. 1993. Farm Buildings on the Southern Wisconsin Landscape. Wisconsin Preservation. Vol. XVII (1): 7-10.

Wisconsin Preservation is a newsletter published and distributed by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin.

Fitchen, John. 1968. The New World Dutch Barn: a Study of Its Characteristics, Its Structural System, and Its Probable Erectional Procedures. Syracuse, N.Y: Syracuse University.

Location: Steenbock Library

Call No.: TH4930F5

Gruenewald, Rosa Waelti. 1980. The story of a dairy barn : being an account of the importance of the Swiss people to Green County and the state of Wisconsin.

Location: Historical Society Library Pamphlet Collection

Call No.: 80- 268

Jost, Larry T. c. 1980. The Round and Five or More Equal Sided Barns of Wisconsin. Franklin, WI: L.T. Jost.

Location: Historical Society Pamphlet Collection

Call No.: 80-1436

Osborne, Dorothy W. 1980. Racine's carriage houses and barns. [Racine, Wis.] : Preservation Racine.

Location: Historical Society Library Pamphlet Collection
Call No.: 80- 1432

White, Frank W. 1916. Barns for Wisconsin Dairy Farms. Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station Publication.

Location: Steenbock Library, Documents Collection
Call No.: RBW7 AA B874 266

Witmer, Christopher S. 1983. The German Timber Framed Threshing Barns of Lebanon Township: Dodge County, Wisconsin.

Location: Memorial Library Theses Collection
Call No.: AWOW826C475

Other

Horn, Walter William. 1965. The barns of the Abbey of Beaulieu at its granges of Great Coxwell & Beaulieu-St. Leonards. Berkeley, University Press

Location: Art Library Oversize Shelving
Call No.: NA5471 B4 H6

Barn Conservation, Preservation and Restoration

Auer, Michael. 1989. The Preservation of Historic Barns. Preservation Brief 20. U.S. Department of Interior. National Park Service.

Location: Historical Society Library, U.S. Government Publications
Steenbock Library
Call No.: I 29.84: 20

"Barn Raising at Burnside." Bethlehem, Pa. Burnside Plantation. 1992.

Location: Historical Society Library
Call No.: F159 B5 J36 v. 5 no.1

A Commemorative Program.

Burden, Ernest E. 1977. Living Barns: How to Find and Resore a Barn of Your Own. Boston: New York Graphic Society.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: TH3411B87

Humstone, Mary. 1988. BARN AGAIN!- A Guide to Rehabilitation of Older Farm Buildings. Des Moines, IA: Meredith Corporation and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

This publication provides useful tips for farmers and preservationists interested in converting historic farm buildings to contemporary farm uses.

Available for purchase from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Mountain Plains Regional Office, 511 16th Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202.

Klamkin, Charles. 1973. The Barn. New York, NY: Hawthorn Books.

Location: Historical Society Library
Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230K55 1973

A history of barns, their preservation and restoration.

Pearce, David and Elizabeth Perkins. 1982. The SPAB Barns Book. London: The Society.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230S18 1982

A publication by the Society for Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB).

Adaptive Use / Barn Remodeling

Johnson, Dexter W. 1989. *Using Old Farm Buildings*. National Trust for Historic Preservation Information Series, No. 46. Washington, DC: National Park Service.

A functional guide to adapting different types of traditional farm structures for a wide range of new farm uses.

Available for purchase from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Mountain Plains Regional Office, 511 16th Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202.

Radford, William A. 1978. Practical Plans for Barns, Carriage Houses, Stables and Other Country Buildings. Stockbridge, MA: Berkshire Traveller Press.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: NA8230 R3 1978

Actual working drawings for barns, carriage houses, stables and other countryside buildings.

Radford, William A. 1978. Radford's Combined House and Barn Plan Book. Chicago, IL: The Radford Architectural Co.

Location: Steenbock Library Cutter Collection
Call No.: RXBP R11

"Old Barns Worth Saving." Successful Farming 91. Jan. 93: 19.

Notes how the major obstacle to preserving old barns is expense. Solutions to enable barns to become suitable income-producing enterprises are provided.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: Periodicals Collection

Salvaging Barns

Abrams, Lawrence F. 1983. Salvaging Old Barns and Houses. New York, NY: Sterling Pub. Co.

Location: Steenbock Library
Call No.: TH153A24 1983

Explains procedures for tearing barns down and saving pieces.

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