

WI Barn Adaptive Reuse Projects

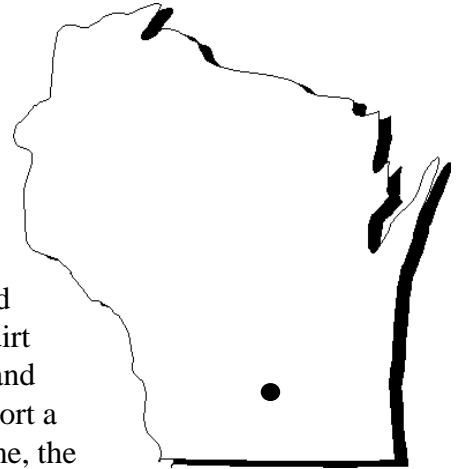
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Present Use: Gift Shop - Sparby's Christmas Barn
Type of Barn: Red Wood Frame Barn with Stone Foundation originally built in 1917

Owner's/ Contact Person's Name: Butch and Fran Sparby
Address: 5285 Highway 19
Waunakee, WI 53597

Date of Conversion: 1987 (Estimate)
Approximate Project Cost(s): NA

Brief Outline of Project: This milking barn was originally built in 1917 and perhaps its most remarkable characteristic is the stone foundation. This is the second reuse of this barn. Just a few years ago this barn housed a small garden supply business and greenhouse. When the barn was acquired in 1987 most of it had dirt floors. Since that time, the floor has been finished with concrete and several of the interior support columns were re-positioned to support a new laminate beam added for structural stability. At the same time, the ceiling was jacked up and evened. Local carpenters set new windows into the foundation and a new roof and siding was added.



Success of Project: The owners noted how much cleanup was required. Obviously the atmosphere created by the barn is important to business.

Contractors Used: Local contractors were used. Their names are not known.

Project Photographs:

