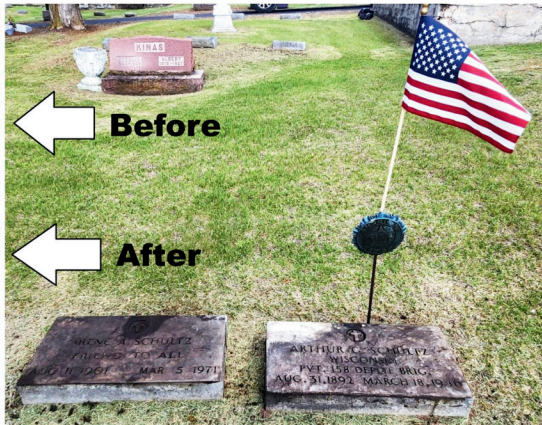




Saving Local History Telling Your Stories

Our museums are more than a collection of artifacts. They are treasure houses of knowledge and memory. Let us help preserve the legacy of your family—contact us about donating or letting us copy genealogy information, photos, videos, original documents, and life stories. We'd love to hear from you!



There's Never Been a Better Time to Volunteer!

We are making real world changes with projects like our recent cemetery cleanup, which focused on the graves of veterans.

Would you like to help us preserve history? We need help scanning documents, planning fundraisers, doing research, caring for artifacts, and much more. Whatever your talent is, we could use your help! Call us and sign up today: 920-295-9008

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Advocacy Day At the Capital

PHS Board Member Jim Frasier went to the State Capital in Madison March 19th to meet with Rep. Alex Dallman and Sen. John Jagler. History Advocacy Day provides the opportunity for history advocates from around the state to thank lawmakers for their ongoing support of Wisconsin history and to highlight the critical role that the state and local history play in collecting, preserving and sharing our stories.

Left:
Jim Frasier

Right:
Representative
Alex Dallman.



Local Expert Weighs In

From left
to right:

Kurt
Sampson,

Chris
Goulet,

Jim Frasier



On April 28, Wisconsin Native American history expert Kurt Sampson spent the day at the Folklore Museum telling us about Native American mounds and helping to identify the various points, axe heads and other artifacts in the PHS collection. He also donated a copy of his recently published book, "Indian Mounds of the Horicon Marsh and Upper Rock River" to our Historical Society. It was a very informative visit that will help us tell the story of Pre-Princeton History.

Honored Guests: Local History Talks

Thank you to everyone who has been attending our local speaker series, and an even bigger thank you to our speakers! We've learned about everything from early Princeton History to POW camps in WI. **Join us every 3rd Monday at 6pm for more meetings and speakers!**

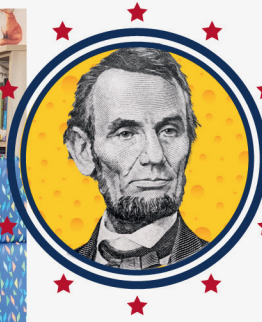


Mon. Feb. 17th we had a fun time with Eddie Wargula. On Mon. March 17th Dan Priske told us how great Princeton was - and is! At the meeting on Mon. May 19th, Bob Block talked about POW camps, including those in the Green Lake Conference Center (then Lawson farm) and Markesan.

**Did you miss these wonderful talks?
Watch the video recordings online at
princetonwihistoricalsociety.org**



Author Steve Rogstad gave his talk at the Princeton Library on Monday April 21st



Lincoln in WI Local Author Presentation

Eighteen people attended a presentation by Steve Rogstad, Executive Director of the Sheboygan County Research Center. P.H.S arranged the talk when board members gave Mr. Rogstad a tour of our museum some time ago.

Mr. Rogstad wrote the book "Lincoln Among the Badgers: Rediscovering Sites Associated With Abraham and Mary Lincoln in Wisconsin." His presentation included many amazing and amusing stories involving the Lincoln family. If you missed it, watch the video on YouTube or on our website, princetonwihistoricalsociety.org

April 15th 2025 was the 160th anniversary of Lincoln's assassination.



Princeton's Oldest Tradition

Long before any humans settled beside the Fox River, Lake Sturgeon were spawning on its banks. These giant "dinosaur fish" have remained unchanged for 136 million years. Each spring, Princeton celebrates their migration, and we are happy to take part.

PHS at the Sturgeon Celebration

On April 26th, we sold Princeton and sturgeon-themed souvenirs at the Princeton Library, headquarters of the Sturgeon Celebration. We made about \$284 and met a lot of history fans!



Cemetery Memorial Cleanup Day

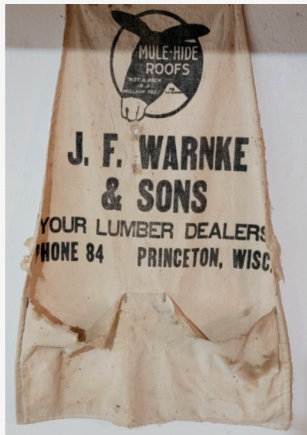
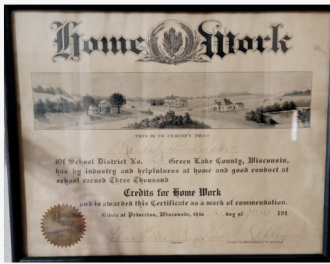
Sunday May 18th 1:30-4:30pm



Eight Princeton Historical Society members and community volunteers gathered on the Sunday before Memorial Day Weekend to clean headstones in the three city cemeteries. Volunteers focused on the graves of veterans without living family members. Supplies, including professional cleaning chemicals specially made to be safe for historical headstones, were sponsored by Tabitha Pierce and American Family Insurance. To her, to all the volunteers who helped, and most of to all, to the veterans who served our country, we say...

Thank You





Grants & Donations Gratefully Received

Chris Goulet recently obtained a matching grant of \$900 from Signarama in Ripon for signage, and a \$50 donation from Walmart towards our upcoming events. She has applied for a matching grant from the WI Historical Society for \$700 towards archival supplies, and has been working on a grant for a mural with Greg Wright from P.A.R.C. (the Princeton Art Collective).

Wesley Hunting, famous glassblower, is making us THREE beautiful glass display cases for artifacts, valued at about \$1,500 each. He also donated one of his famous glass art pieces, which will be displayed in the arts exhibit.

The Yoblonsky family and descendants donated school memory books and textbooks dating from 1910-1920s as well as \$500.

Recent donations from the Zamzow family included a 1917 school commendation awarded to Marcil Guderski, an apron from J.F. Warnke & Sons Lumber and other business memorabilia, animal traps, horse tack, arrowheads, a WWI poster, and a book of WWI & WWII records of Princeton servicemen.

Become or Remain a Historical Society Member

Cut out this form and send in your membership today!

Check One

- \$2 Annual Student Membership (high school and lower grades)
- \$10 Annual Individual Membership
- \$15 Annual Family Membership (parents + children under age 18)
- \$100 Lifetime Individual Membership
- \$250 Lifetime Family Membership
- \$500 Charter Membership
- \$1,000 Donor Membership
- \$5,000 Patron Membership
- \$10,000 Founder Membership

Name: _____

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Volunteers Wanted! WE NEED YOU

Please call 920-295-9008 for info on volunteering to do research, plan exhibits, staff our museums, help with fundraisers, and more!

Make checks payable to the Princeton, WI Historical Society, and send them to PO Box 71, Princeton, WI 54968. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you!

Upcoming Events: Save the Dates!

Membership Meetings

Membership meetings take place on the third Monday of each month, at 6pm.

For now, we will continue to meet at the Princeton Public Library, 424 W. Water St.

Our local history speaker series will continue!

- **June 16 – Pat Grah**
- **July 21 – Paul Doro**
- **August 18 – Pastor John Dolan**

FOLKLORE MUSEUM GRAND RE-OPENING

We have been working so hard- and the end is finally in sight! Our museum is doubling in size, with a dozen brand new exhibits, and we can't wait for you to see it.

You are invited to the **grand re-opening of the Folklore Museum on Sunday Sept. 14th** at 630 West Water Street, Princeton. There will be a private reception for donors the day before (Sept. 13th). **Stay tuned for more details!**



A little sneak peek!

Flea Market Food Booth Fundraisers

Please join us at the flea market for a great lunch on Saturday August 2nd and Saturday August 9th. There will be live music on the 9th. Volunteer help wanted!

Meat Raffle at BeerBelly's Bar

Come out for a great time on **Saturday, August 30th at 1pm** at BeerBelly's, 512 W Water St. Have a good meal and get some great deals on top quality meats. There will also be raffle baskets- donated items for this are gratefully accepted.

