



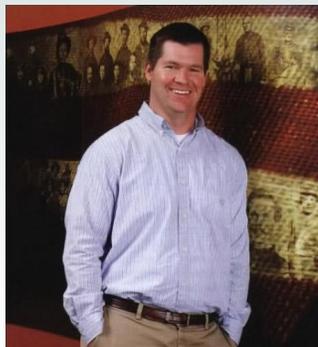
History Outside the Box Symposium

Sponsored by the Sheboygan County Historical Research Center

Held at the Plymouth Arts Center,
520 East Mill Street, Plymouth, WI 53073

Thursday and Friday, August 16 and 17, 2018

**Eight Great Speakers, Eight Great Topics
History at Its Best**



Speakers' Schedule

Thursday August 16, 2018

Doug Dammann - Civil War Sites in Wisconsin

The War to Save the Union. The War Between the States. The War of Yankee Aggression. The Recent Unpleasantness. By any name, America's Civil War (1861-1865) left deep wounds in the nation. By the late 1800s, many who fought had passed away. Others were concerned that those who had sacrificed might be forgotten. States and local communities raised funds to build memorials to their soldiers. Doug will visit these notable monuments, sites and museums in Wisconsin.

Rochelle Pennington - Shipwrecked Shores: An Underwater Look at Lake Michigan and Lake Superior

Sunken ships. Sunken treasures. Forgotten men in forgotten places. At the bottom of the Great Lakes, in darkened depths, lie the remains of countless ships that were swallowed whole when the pleasing rhythm of calm waters turned violent. Rochelle will take us on a tour of the remarkable treasures hidden just below the surface of two of our Great Lakes, Superior and Michigan.

Mary Bergin - Brats, Beer and Beyond

Great food – and food theater – show up in unexpected places in Wisconsin, and what we love about our German heritage is but a sliver of how that culture defines and distinguishes itself. Hear Mary Bergin reflect upon her work as a freelance food writer whose work includes books about Wisconsin, the Midwest and Germany.

Midwest travel, regional foods, German heritage and environmental sustainability are Mary Bergin's writing specialties. The Sheboygan County native's work is widely published –Chicago Tribune to USA Today.com – and her weekly, syndicated travel/food columns began in 2002. She is the author of five books, including *Wisconsin Supper Club Cookbook* and *Eat Smart in Germany*.

Barb & Ken Wardius - Visiting Wisconsin's Historic Lighthouses

Life-long residents of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the Wardius's have traveled extensively pursuing their hobby of lighthouse photography. Their first book, "Wisconsin Lighthouses" was released in 2000 and just recently totally revised in conjunction with the Wisconsin Historical Society Press. It was the winner of the 2014 Winner of the Gold, 1st Place award, in the national Ben Franklin Book Awards, Regional Division. Enjoy this tour.

Symposium Particulars

Cost: \$60.00 for the two-day event

Registration is required

Call 920.467.4667 for reservations.

Checks made out to: SCHRC

Checks mailed to: SCHRC, 518 Water Street, Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

See schrc.org for more information or call 920.467.4667.



Friday, August 17, 2018

Chad Lewis - Criminals and Villains in Wisconsin

Put on your zoot suit and follow in the footsteps of America's most infamous gangsters as they turned Wisconsin into their own criminal vacation land. Filled with deadly bank robberies, explosive shootouts, brutal murders, and daring kidnappings, this presentation lets the audience discover the grisly locations where the gangster history will never die.

For over two decades Chad Lewis has traveled the back roads of the world in search of the strange and unusual. The more bizarre the legend, the more likely it is that you will find Chad there.



Bob Birmingham - WI Native American Burial Effigy Mounds

Dr. Robert Birmingham, former State Archeologist for Wisconsin will discuss Wisconsin's More mounds were built by ancient Native Americans in Wisconsin than in any other region of North America—between 15,000 and 20,000, at least 4,000 of which remain today. Most impressive are the effigy mounds, huge earthworks sculpted in the shapes of thunderbirds, water panthers, and other forms, not found anywhere else in the world in such concentrations.

Bob will share an overview of these intriguing earthworks and answer the questions, Who built the mounds? When and why were they built?



Sonja Barta - Circus Echoes

Wisconsin was a major player in the circus world early on, with over 100 circuses coming out of the state. Join Sonja on this exiting journey as she explores the history and origins of the circus in Sheboygan, Wisconsin and elsewhere.

A past circus performer herself, as part of the Lindemann family, Barta will tell stories of her time under the Big Top.



Steven Rogstad - The Lincolns in Wisconsin

Myths abound when it comes to Abraham Lincoln and his time in Wisconsin; Sightings and events were many, but are tough to verify. Lincoln slept here has become a cliché. Yet, there are a couple of definites, one maybe, and some that local communities wish might be true.

Lincoln lecturer and author, Steven Rogstad, brings his expertise to the fascinating issue of the Lincolns in Wisconsin