

## CITIZENS FOR A SCENIC WISCONSIN, INC

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## DEAR BARN OWNER,

Citizens for a Scenic Wisconsin (CSW) is a 501(c)3 non-profit educational organization dedicated to preserving and enhancing the scenic character of Wisconsin's communities and countryside. Every year in partnership with the UW Extension Barn Preservation Program and local organizations, we organize a series of Barn Preservation Tours to feature some of the icons of our scenic Wisconsin

We are looking for barns to tour in your area and respectfully request you consider allowing us to include your barn.

CSW promotes the Tours through invitations to our members and others interested in Wisconsin history and architecture as well as local media. The Tour begins at a local meeting place where people can register and enjoy a brief presentation about barns in Wisconsin. We charge a nominal fee, usually less than \$50, to cover the costs of the Tour.

Tour participants are people from all walks of life and interests. They are all advised we are the guests of our hosts and that they are responsible for following our host's desires regarding access as well as their own behavior.

The Tour usually consists of about 8-10 barns with some open for viewing from top to bottom, others limited to specific areas inside the barn, others limited to tour from the outside only, and others limited to a 'drive by' viewing. The type and amount of access is up to each host to determine based on whatever they feel is appropriate.

The Tour is based on the best route for a school bus over the local roads, each host's schedules and the anticipated time to travel and tour each barn. We also schedule a comfort break somewhere in the middle of the route. We spend about 15-20 minutes touring each barn.

We do not ask or expect hosts to be present for the Tour but many enjoy being there to explain the history of their barns and answer questions. The Tour often has very knowledgeable people who can in turn answer questions about barns that many hosts find useful.

We also do not ask or expect hosts to spruce their barn up for the Tour. We understand about working farms and old barns. If you are not there to supervise the participants, or if you have concerns about participants wandering into areas that you prefer to keep off limits or that may not be appropriate for any reason, we ask that you sign (DO NOT ENTER) and close off any areas (fencing, yellow tape, etc.) you do not want participants to enter.

**Please note**: We will set a minimum number of registrants about two weeks before the Tour. If we do not come close to this minimum, we will cancel the Tour and let you know; *otherwise the Tour is rain or shine!* 

If you are willing to include your barn on our Tour, please complete the information as best you can on the back and return. Please be sure to indicate any limitations on access or other special requests as well.

If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are not interested in participating in the Barn Tour.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

SCENICALLY YOURS,

Charley

PS If you know of another barn that might be of interest for this or another Tour, please let us know!

□ <b>Sure!</b> We are willing to have our barn included on the Bar	n Preservation Tour!	
CONTACT INFO		
Name	Spouse/Significant other	
Company/Organization	Title	
Mailing Address	Phone	Cell
Mailing City, ST ZIP	E-mail	
City/Village/Town	County	
BARN DATA	ı	
Barn Type (English, Scandinavian, German, etc.)	Construction method (Post & beam,	
Roof style (Gable, gambrel, salt box, monitor, etc)	Foundation (Field stone, quarried stone, etc)	
Roofing material (Metal, asphalt shingles, etc.)	Primary use (Dairy, horses, other)	
Siding (Wood, tile, etc.)	Features (Bank, cupolas, etc.)	
Additions (Silo, milk parlor, milk house, etc.)	Year built	Year additions built
Other features (Please feel free to add additional pages	s, copies of photos, diagrams	s, drawings, etc.
ACCESS		
☐ <b>Yes!</b> I would like to be here when you tour my barn. The b	pest time for me is between	AM and PM!
☐ <b>Full access</b> . The Tour participants may enter the barn and of the barn inside and out.	areas around the barn to look	at and photograph the features
☐ <b>Limited access</b> . The Tour participants may enter the barn features of the barn inside and out, subject to the areas that ardoors, fences, yellow tape, etc.		
Outside access ONLY. The Tour participants may enter the features of the barn from the outside only, subject to the areas closed doors, fences, yellow tape, etc.		
School bus access.   May enter the property Please park		
☐ May NOT enter the property. Please	park at the end of the drivewa	y ONLY.
□ <b>NO ACCESS.</b> Drive by ONLY! Do not enter the property	<i>y</i> .	
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