



LOCAL HISTORY SERIES

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September 14

Excavations at the Second Fort Crawford

presented by Vicki Twinde-Javner



In 1999, while monitoring for road and water main improvements, archaeologists discovered portions of the Second Fort Crawford (circa 1829 to 1856) intact in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. Portions of seven rooms, five in the eastern Enlisted Men's Quarters, and two in the southern Officers' Quarters, were discovered. This session will highlight some of the artifacts discovered, and what research was undertaken to help interpret what was found.

September 21

Research and Investigation of the Fort Howard Stockade

presented by Les Van Horn and Mary Jane Herber



In 1852 the Fort Howard Military Post was abandoned by the U.S. Department of War. Many of the structures were either moved or torn down, but what about the stockade? What started as a discussion over an old map has become an ongoing study about what happened to the stockade. With the work of surveyors, historians, and public land records, some of these questions may be answered, including "Where exactly is Fort Howard's stockade?"

October 5

Louis Jolliet: A Solid Path Through Water

presented by James Healy



2023 is the 350th anniversary of the expedition of Louis Jolliet and Father Jacques Marquette through Wisconsin and down the Mississippi. The trip dramatically affected the lives of both those coming to North America and those already here. Louis Jolliet: A Solid Path Through Water will offer a connection to our past and to some of the questions which still confront us. James Healy is presenting Louis Jolliet as the man he was: a thoughtful man of his times-daring and playful.

October 12

The Ku Klux Klan in the Fox River Valley

presented by Michael D. Jacobs



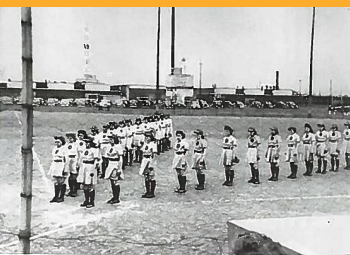
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In the mid-1920s, the Ku Klux Klan was recruiting in the area from Oshkosh to the north, including Brown County, where the population was immigrant, largely Catholic and northern European. The Klan had more than one focus of un-American ideas – opposition of Catholics, violations of the Volstead Act (prohibition), and the immigrant population. Learn how the KKK influence, although small, rose and fell in Northeast Wisconsin.

October 19

The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League in Northeast Wisconsin

presented by Jeff Ash



The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League was formed in 1943. In August 1944 the sport was brought to Green Bay for a try out. The Milwaukee Chicks were looking for a new home. Did the team make Green Bay home or did the Chicks find another community to roost in? Discover more about the different teams in the league and how long it lasted.



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