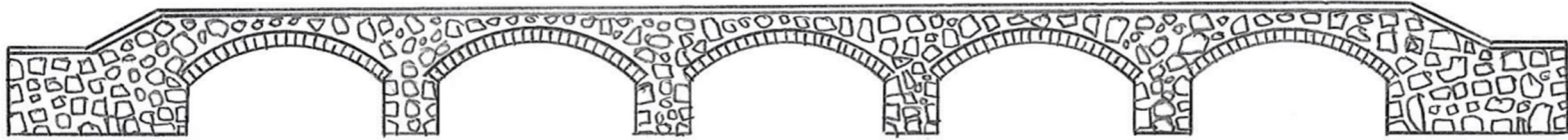


THE BRIDGE



Connecting the Past to the Present where the Rock River meets the Yellowstone Trail

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Official Newsletter of Theresa Historical Society
Theresa, Wisconsin

YELLOWSTONE TRAIL DAY RETURNS!

Yellowstone Trail Day 2025 returns for its 2nd year to the Theresa Historical Society Museum Campus on Saturday June 7th. THS members are busy making plans for the celebration. THS Vice President Jim Rodell is coordinating the celebration with the Historical Societies of Byron, Lomira, and the Edward H. Wolf Schleisingerville to Slinger Historical Museum. All 4 communities are located on the Old Yellowstone Trail route, Wi. Hwy 175 and will be participating in the celebration. That's Vice President Rodell's Model T sporting a Yellowstone Trail banner.

THS will be publishing a complete itinerary of activities & attraction's at all 4 communities in our next issue. So plan ahead and save the date and enjoy.

Come celebrate !

Yellowstone Trail Day

Saturday, June 7th.



From the late Les Beck's Newspaper Column

Les Beck's: It happened in Theresa !

1847 Solomon Juneau built a summer home in Theresa. The next year he platted the village of Theresa on the south side of the Rock River.



1922 Ford "Model T" Touring Car

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America's Pastime! Theresa Vs Lomira 1902

Letter From The Editor

It's **SPRING** and I have a song stuck in my head, made popular a few decades ago by John Fogerty.

Well beat the drum and hold the phone

The sun came out today

We're born again, there's new grass on the field

A-roundin' third and headed for home

It's a brown-eyed handsome man

Anyone can understand the way I feel



While it's the start of baseball season, members of Theresa Historical Society are excited the grass is turning green and the flowers are pushing up at our THS Campus Museum. Over the winter the society has been making plans for the upcoming summer open houses at the THS Campus and the return of Yellowstone Trail days on June 7th.

We also published our first THS newsletter "The Bridge" back in January and are grateful for the response from all the friends of history in the Theresa and the surrounding area. Enjoy the pages of this issue, keep in mind we welcome everyone to get involved and become members of the Theresa Historical Society. Our area history is our heritage. We welcome folks like you and hope you will support us with your time, talent and treasures. We welcome any historical information & stories you care to share about our area. If you have old pictures of the life and times of the area or artifacts let us know. Help us preserve our area history.

Rob Bowe Editor

1836 Wisconsin Territory established by act of US Congress, separating Wisconsin from Territory of Michigan in preparation for granting statehood to the current state of Michigan.

Solomon Juneau was first landowner claiming 80 acres in 1844. In 1846 he platted & founded the village of Theresa on part of that claim. Chris Bannister of Theresa Township was the Postmaster. The first Theresa township meeting was held April 11, 1848. That same year the first township roads were laid out and rudimentary work began on them. Progress on town roads was very slow. Each landowner was required to provide 1 day of labor for every 80 acres owned.

In 1848, the post office moved into Theresa Village, Paul Juneau, a son of Solomon Juneau was the first village postmaster. That same year Theresa's first doctor Dr. Valentine Miller arrived. Miller farmed 80 acres south of the village, making house calls to those who were sick. John Langenbach opened the Rock River Stage Hotel and Livery. His livery provided dray and stage service to Milwaukee, a drive to the big city took 3 days.

The first church in the township was Immanuel Lutheran church established in June of 1847. In 1849, St Theresa's Catholic Church in the village of Theresa organized by Fr. Schaudenbach. The first brewery came to Theresa in 1849 when Ulrich Oberly arrived and opened a brewery in the village.

The 1850 Federal census, the first Federal census for Theresa township showed 151 families living in 145 dwellings. 421 white males, 343 white females. Total population = 764. Village Population was around 100. Approximately 98 percent of the 1850 population in the township arrived between 1846 to 1850. By 1850, most of the favorable farmland in the township was settled. The land that was not claimed totaled approximately 1,000 acres and was mostly marsh, the great part of it being what is today the Theresa Marsh.

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Message from President Jim Polster:

We are busy getting ready for the upcoming Open House season at our THS Historical Society campus. We are kicking off the season with Yellowstone Trail Day on *Saturday June 7th, 9 AM-3PM*. We will also be open *1PM to 4PM on the last Sunday of June, July, August, September, and October*. Special tours of the THS campus can be arranged by calling 920-960-4198 or 920-488-3333,

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If you missed last year's Yellowstone trail day, you missed a wonderful opportunity to hear the amazing Yellowstone Trail story and learn all about the exciting history of Theresa! So, Save the Date Saturday June 7th and come visit us! Our THS campus features Solmon Juneau's original Theresa homestead as well as the 1848 Schiefer House, the 1850 Reklau Log cabin and a part of the Old Yellowstone Trail, Beck's Tourist Cabin.

You are also invited to our THS April Meeting at the Pioneer Keg in Theresa, on *Monday April 21st at 4PM*. We'd love to meet all friends of Theresa area history, and invite you to become a member of the Theresa Historical Society. You can find **membership information on page 11 of this issue**. THS is a tax exempt 501(c)(3). Charitable Organization. We welcome your support to preserve our area's future.

It Happened In Theresa:

First Pioneer Child birth record

Johann Herman Christian

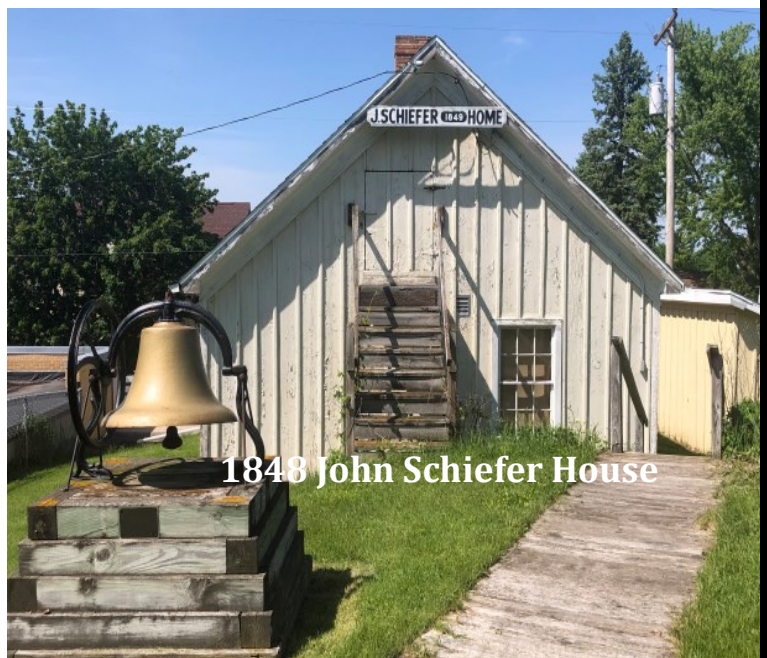
January 1, 1848

Lastly, THS has received a generous gift from a friend of Theresa History. Theresa native Diane Christian Boehm has donated a quantity of her nostalgic memory book, **FARM LIFE: THE QUILT PATCHES OF MEMORIES**. THS will be using the book as a fund raising project. ALL proceeds from Christian-Boehm's book will support funding Theresa Historical Society's restoration projects.

Bridge editor Rob Bowe reviews ***FARM LIFE: THE QUILT PATCHES OF MEMORIES*** later in this issue.



1850's Reklau Log Cabin



1848 John Schiefer House

Main Street Theresa

1915



In 1912 the road/trail from Milwaukee north via Theresa to Fond du lac & Appleton did not have an official highway title. It was still a dirt road. Some parts of the roads were improved a bit being paved with macadam (gravel). That same year the Yellowstone Trail came into being. The Yellowstone Trail was the first coast-to-coast automobile route across the northern United States starting at Plymouth, Massachusetts, where the original pilgrims landed and then west, all the way to Puget Sound, Washington via Yellowstone National Park. It was also in 1912 that Messer's Haessly & Jung opened a garage in Theresa provide gasoline and automobile transportation service to the public.

The State of Wisconsin announced an official Highway system across the state in 1915, designating the old trail from Milwaukee via Theresa to Fond du lac Oshkosh & Appleton as State Highway 15. The next year 1916, Hwy 15 was officially designated as part of the Yellowstone Trail. Theresa was now on the national map.

Cars were becoming affordable and popular and affordable. Even farm folks were buying cars. New car prices started as low \$295. All across America there were literally thousands small manufacturers trying to sell their cars to the millions people in the country.

With the increase in traffic through Theresa, local businesspeople were starting to benefit as travelers and tourists started coming through town and spending money on much-needed services. Gasoline Filling Stations" and car repair shops and services popped up. At its peak, Theresa would have

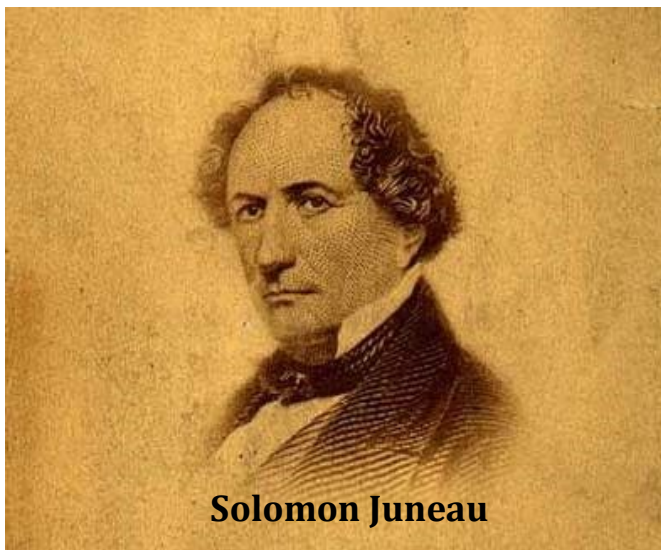


no less than 9 service stations, along with 3 car dealerships and a host hospitality food & lodging option. Theresa prospered. Meanwhile the traffic on Hwy 15 increased, and roads improvements did not. Like most roads of the day Hwy 15 would turn into a muck mire when it rained, while snow drifts would close the roads for days, even weeks in the winter. The need for all-weather roads was pressing but how to pay for them was now the problem.

It wasn't too long before Wisconsin and the Federal government started to tax folks for roads improvements. In 1921, Highway 15 through Theresa was paved. As traffic on the Yellowstone Trail increased, Theresa experienced several decades of high activity as most traffic from the east to Chicago and Milwaukee passed through Theresa on the way north and west on the Yellowstone Trail.

Les Beck's It happened in Theresa.

1887 Lack of Rain Millpond dry no power for mills



Solomon Juneau

Pioneer Indian agent, businessman and family man

Founder of Theresa & Milwaukee

Theresa Settlement Stories

By Rob Bowe

Early on Soloman Juneau established fur trading posts in Milwaukee and Theresa. There were few settlers in Dodge County. By 1837, many of tribes were restless and their leaders were calling for action prevent pioneer settlers from encroaching on on their lands. A gathering of the tribes held council some 16 miles west of Juneau's Theresa Trading post on a high mound located known as "Rolling Prairie" This was not far from the sacred woodland effigy mounds at today's Nitschke Mounds County Park, near Burnett, in Dodge County.

The main topic of concern was the growing threat of white settlers moving in and the US Government pressuring them off their lands onto reservations more west.

Word reached Solomon Juneau in Milwaukee of the pending native gathering and its agenda. Some Indians proposed resisting removal from their native lands and the extermination of white settlers . Being a government Indian agent Juneau traveled to Rolling Prairie, a 3-to-4-day journey from Milwaukee to the attend the council.

Juneau was well-known to the tribal chiefs & elders. They trusted him, having dealt with him often. He also was fluent in the native languages.

Les Beck's : It happen In Theresa

1878 Theresa Township has 636 Horses, 1,860 Cattle

Juneau sat quietly, listening to the discussion. Finally, he stood and addressed the native council, informing them of the great power and resources of the US Government..

Juneau told the gathering their plan might work on a temporary basis, but in the end, it would be disastrous to the native Americans, pointing out what had happened earlier to tribes warring with the government in the east, many of which were now displaced in northeast Wisconsin, northern Michigan and other parts of the growing territory.

The council considered what Juneau said, and after much discussion decided to follow Juneau's advice. They went back to their villages and woodland homes peacefully.

This event would mark the beginning of the end for the indigenous people living in and around the land between the marshes. Soon the Federal government would push them onto reservations as more white settlers from the east and northern Europeans, began to arrive in the 1840s.

Leaving the great marsh areas of Horicon and Theresa was troublesome for the native peoples, as it was here, they had lived for centuries. They knew the land well and they knew what they had to do to survive in harmony with nature on this land, thus creating their traditions, legends and lore.

By the late 1840's, most of the indigenous peoples had left the area with exception of a few who attempted to eke out a subsistence lifestyle. America's Manifest Destiny policy in the late 1800's eventually forced most of them onto government reservations as the United State tried to Americanize tribes by assimilating them into the country's mainstream society, completely disregarding their liberties, culture, traditions, and religion.



Juneau's Trading Post In Milwaukee

By T.O. Tennimon

Book Review By Rob Bowe

FARM LIFE: The QUILT BLOCKS OF MEMORIES by Diane Christian Boehm Pub.(c)2000 Libertyville, Il,

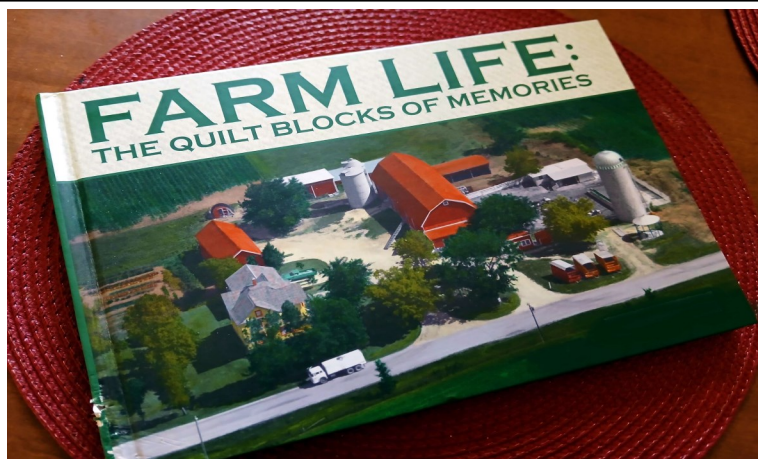
About the Author: Diane Christian Boehm grew up on a family dairy farm located on Allen Road in Town of Theresa. She went to what was then a one-room parochial school having the same teacher for all eight grades. After grade school she attended Mayville High School where she was valedictorian of her graduating class, then on to Concordia College, River Forest, Ill,. After graduation she became a high school teacher and later a college instructor She is retired from Saginaw Valley State University-Michigan as the Writing Program Director

This reviewer not only had the privilege of assisting the author by providing historical information about our common ancestral heritage but also receiving and reading one of the first copies off the press. It is a very good read.

MS Boehm immediately captures the reader with an interesting and very readable narrative, recollecting the memories of her and her siblings growing up on the family farm in Theresa Township in 1940s, 50's and 60s. She details and weaves her story through the families ancestral cultural heritage and lifestyle, beginning in the 1800s in Pomerania through the current era in Theresa Township, Dodge County WI.

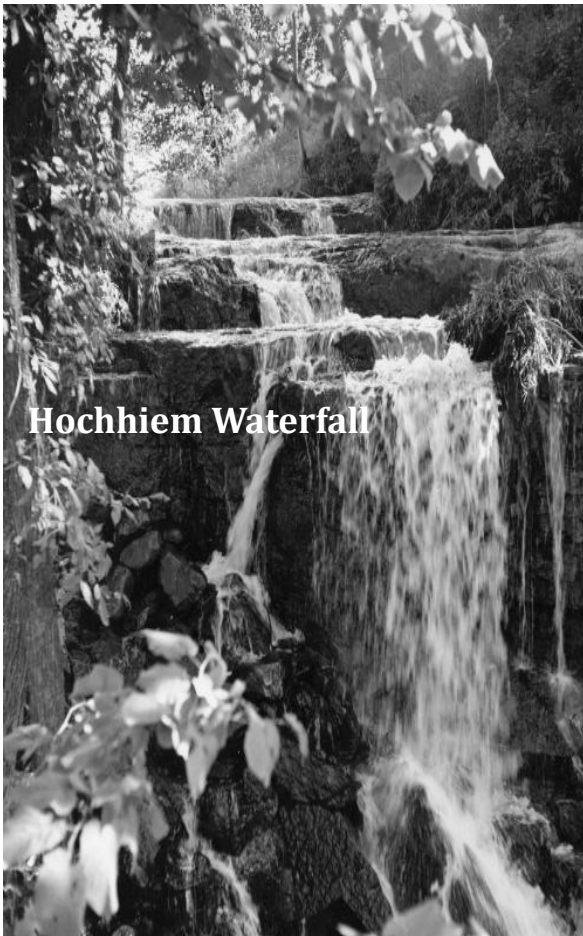
She writes, "Some of these memories collected from us (Diane and her siblings) made us laugh. Others made us nostalgic or sad or even angry....The stories we tell here form the quilt blocks of a distinctive chapter in America's history."

The book is 106 pages printed on high quality paper with a beautiful hard cover featuring an aerial view of the family homestead. This volume is filled with memories of rural farm life in her time accompanied by many color and black & white photos. It is truly worthy of any library shelf or coffee table. It was meant to be read and enjoyed.



We of the Theresa Historical Society are most grateful to MS Boehm for her generous donation to our fund raising efforts and are offering her book to friends of Theresa History for a modest donation of \$30. For more information see the order form
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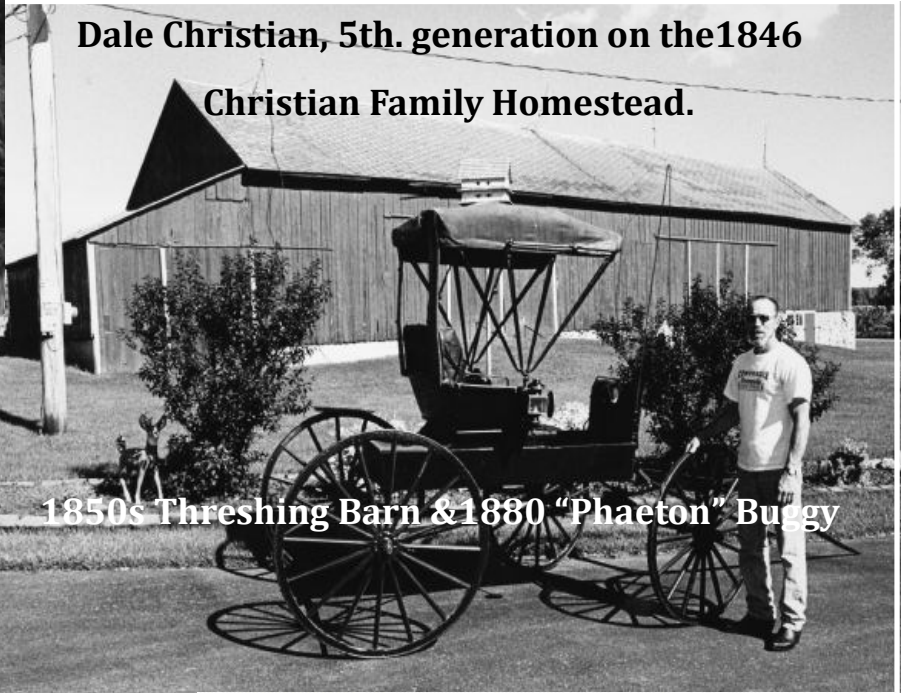


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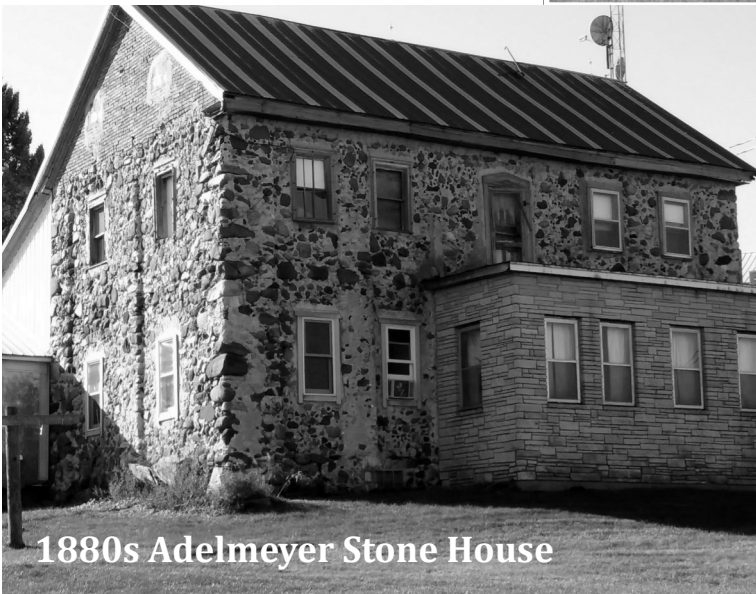


Hand Picking Corn on Luhn Family Farm 1960's

**Dale Christian, 5th. generation on the 1846
Christian Family Homestead.**



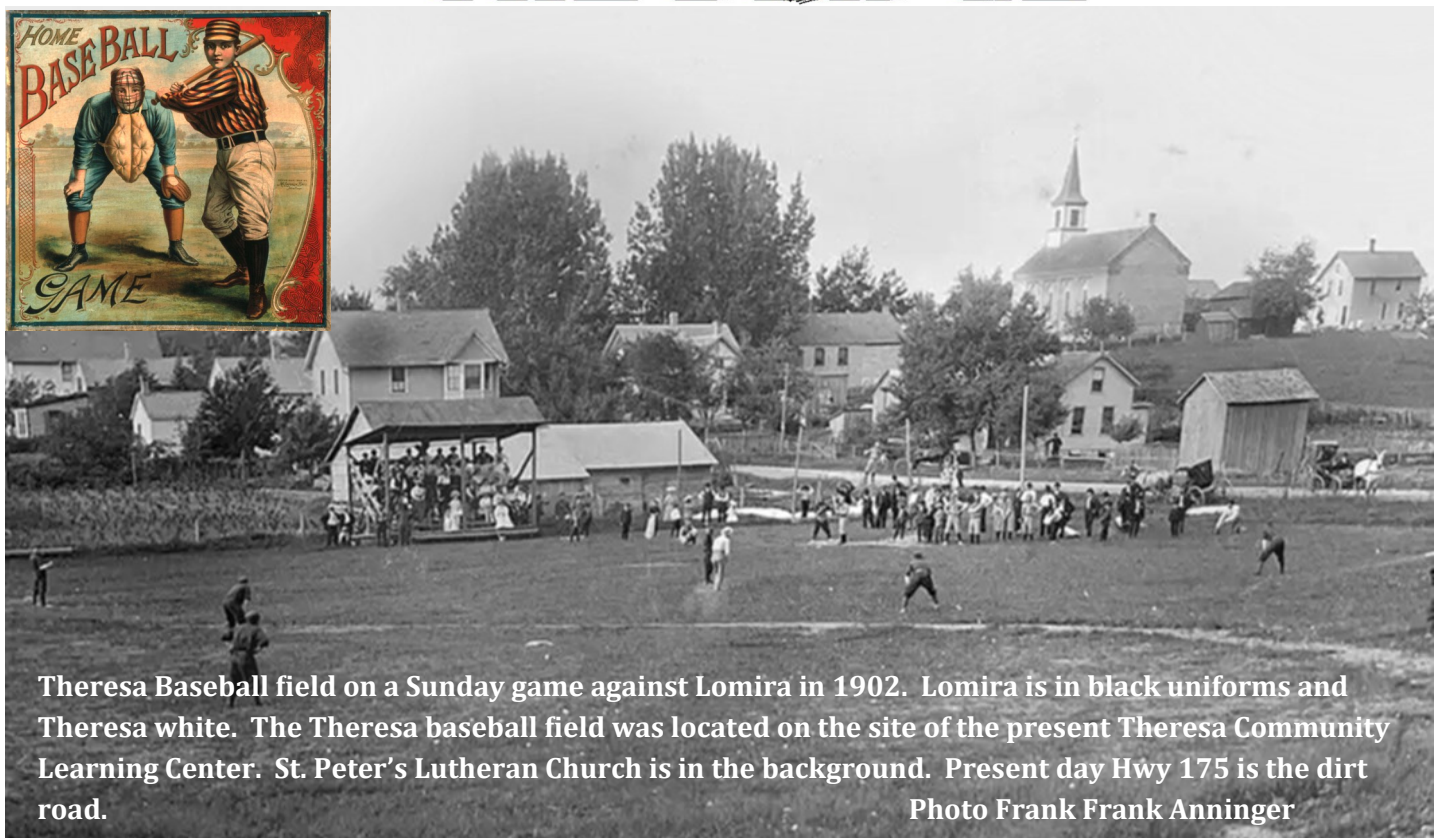
1850s Threshing Barn & 1880 "Phaeton" Buggy



1880s Adelmeyer Stone House

Somewhere In Theresa township 1890s





Theresa Baseball field on a Sunday game against Lomira in 1902. Lomira is in black uniforms and Theresa white. The Theresa baseball field was located on the site of the present Theresa Community Learning Center. St. Peter's Lutheran Church is in the background. Present day Hwy 175 is the dirt road.
Photo Frank Frank Anninger

The Boys of Summer "Theresa 9"

By Rob Bowe

'Sometime last year I read in the "Remember When" page of the Dodge County Pionier that several ball players from the Mayville-Horicon "local 9's" (9 players on a baseball team) had gone on to play professional baseball for a team in Chicago back in the early 1900s..

Let's step back in time and imagine an early Rock River League game right here in Theresa.

It was a fine Sunday afternoon in the summer of 1902. The "Theresa 9" gathered at on the Theresa ball field on the south edge of town awaiting the arrival of the "Lomira 9". Theresa's ballfield wasn't much by today's standards. The ball field was a bit of pastureland along the Lomira-Theresa-Milwaukee Road where the Theresa Community Learning Center stands today. It had a bit of a fence for a backstop, no dug out or even benches for the teams and a small grandstand. A mixture of grasses and weeds along with a bunch of bare spots made up the playing field. Most likely you would find a cowpie here and there.

A bunch of Theresa baseball fans were gathering

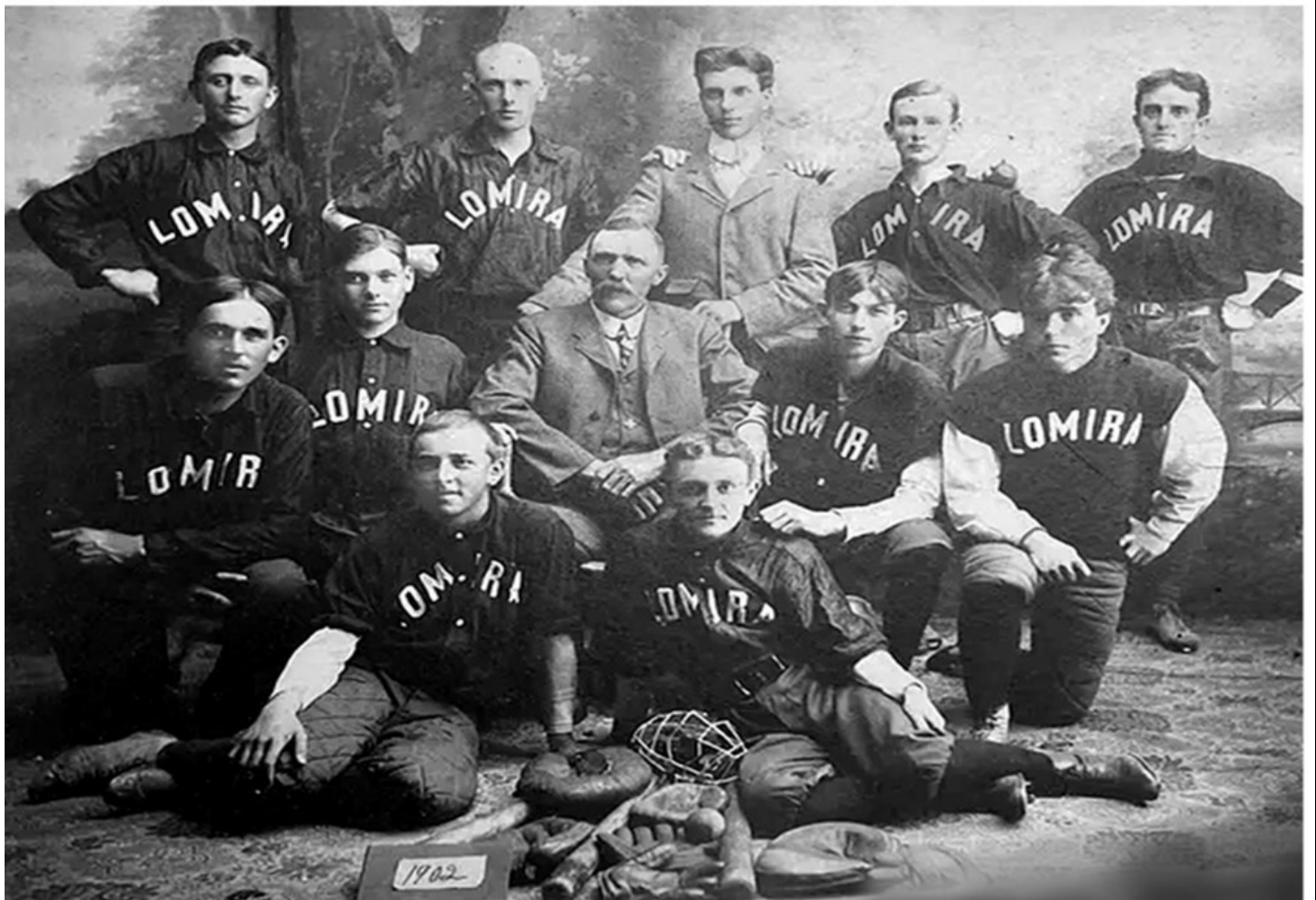
awaiting the start of the game, women in long skirts and fashionable hats, men in their coat & ties and fancy bowler hats. Up the road a piece, an entourage of horse-drawn buggies and wagons loaded with the Lomira 9 and some fans rolled into town going down Milwaukee Street to the ball field.

The excitement mounted as the Theresa 9, dressed in their white flannel uniforms with quilted pants took to the field for the starting pitch. Meanwhile the Lomira 9, dressed in their black flannel uniforms with quilted pants stood around behind Homeplate and sent their leadoff man to the plate for the 1st pitch.

The arbitrator (umpire) as they were called in those days, chomped on his cigar and took to his position behind the pitcher to call the ball, strikes and outs. After the Lomira 9 made its three outs, the visitors took the field, and the Theresa 9 came to the bat.

Theresa photographer Frank Anninger was there to capture the scene with his big bulky tripod mounted camera from way out in center field. No one alive remembers the outcome of that game and today we don't know the names of respective players on either team.

"Baseball was, is, and will always be the greatest game in the world." Babe Ruth



Top: 1902 "Theresa 9" Baseball team. Bottom" 1902 "Lomira 9" Baseball Team

Photo Frank Annininger

Do You know who any of these players are? We'd Like to know!

SAVE THE DATE

YELLOWSTONE TRAIL DAY

SATURDAY JUNE 7

9AM to 3PM



HOP IN THE FLIVVER AND TAKE A DRIVE TO
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LEARN MORE ABOUT LOCAL HISTORY AND THE YELLOW STONE TRAIL

The Yellowstone Trail began in 1912 when a group of South Dakota businessmen worked to establish a route from Boston to Seattle for early automobile enthusiasts to travel cross country and visit Yellowstone National Park. In southeast Wisconsin, the Yellowstone Trail followed the route of Hwy. 175 in Washington, Dodge and Fond du Lac counties From Fond Du lac to Byron, Lomira, Theresa to Slinger and points in between.

Byron, Lomira, Slinger and Theresa historical societies will be open to welcome visitors

Saturday, June 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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Byron, Wisconsin

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Slinger, Wisconsin

Theresa Historical Society

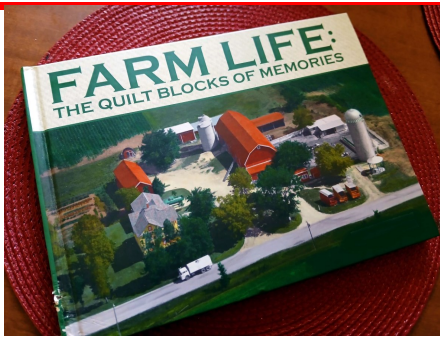
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Jim Widmer was one of the original founding members of our Historical Society. Jim was born on May 1, 1926, in Theresa, Wisconsin, the son of Swiss immigrants John Otto Widmer & Marie (Vaulett) Widmer. He grew up in a residence above Widmer's Cheese Cellars, the family's cheese business, in Theresa. Jim was WW11 Army veteran serving in the south Pacific and during his working years he was co-owner of Widmer's Cheese Cellars.

Jim had a passion for black and white photography that went back to his teens years and by the age of 19 he had his own darkroom. Photography was his passion and for 65 years he captured thousand of unique photo scenes in Theresa and the surrounding area.

He continued to take photographs until 2010 when he was sidelined with macular degeneration. He was a dedicated student of Theresa and its history and continued to be active in the Theresa Historical History until his passing on Christmas Day, 2019.



Jim Widmer 1926-2019

His black and white photography collections are preserved at the Theresa Public Library, Quad Graphics Community Library in Lomira and the Wisconsin Historical Society in Madison. The Wisconsin Historical Society also has his collection online at their website. We are proud to bring some of Jim's work to our pages and will continue to do in future issues.

1870 Theresa Township Population 2,243

Charles G. Briemann and Juneau Boiler Works

by

Jim Rodell

In our last issue of "The Bridge", I mentioned that I will be researching and writing about the blacksmith shops and early automobile dealers of Theresa. As was common in many communities across America, Theresa had its share of businesses which transitioned from the horse age to the motor age. It is my hope that over time we will spotlight each business and preserve their unique stories. When pieces of the puzzle are missing, perhaps the readers will be able to bring more information to light. Enjoy your journey as we travel back in time.

Charles G. "Carl" Briemann was born in Germany in 1856. He arrived in Theresa in 1865 with his parents, George J. and Caroline D.W. Briemann, and 5 year old sister, Minnie. Brother William would be born in 1866. The 1890 plat map of Theresa shows George Briemann as the owner of the property which is now 313 Forest St., the brick home on the hill overlooking the river, now the Polster residence. Carl's younger brother William later owned the family home after father George died in 1890 and mother Caroline died in 1898. William taught school and became the first cashier of Theresa Bank. The July 1, 1909 Mayville News reports "W. Brieman, cashier of the Theresa State Bank, purchased the Wisconsin House property of Theresa and will build a new bank and office building on the site." The new bank and office building mentioned is the building currently being used by the Theresa Police Department. William served as president of the Village of Theresa. Tragically, he died while on a trip to Chicago on February 4, 1920.

Not much is known about Carl's early years by this author, but he had developed talents working with steel and machines. The March 5, 1885 issue of Dodge County Pionier notes "John Schrauth sold his water rights in Theresa to C. Briemann, who will

establish a machine works there." John Schrauth owned the grist mill and dam in Theresa at this time and would provide water power to run the lathes, drills, saws, and other equipment in Carl's new shop. The Feb. 4, 1886 issue of Dodge County Pionier states "Carl Briemann of Theresa is setting up a foundry in the blacksmith shop". "Which blacksmith shop?" is a question I hope to answer someday, but one could presume that Carl had spent time apprenticing at one of the three blacksmith shops in Theresa and was employed until he began his own shop at age 30. On May 4, 1886, Gebhard Weber sold Lot 1 of Block 10 to Charles Briemann for \$150.00, where Briemann built his shop. The August 18, 1887 issue of Dodge County Pionier reports "In the machine shop of Carl Briemann of Theresa, a horse drawn steam threshing engine was converted into a self-propelled machine that travels 2 ½ miles in an hour. Even the steepest hills pose no problem." No doubt Carl tested this machine on Brewery Hill around the corner from his shop!



In 1887, the area experienced a drought, and the levels of Lake Theresa were low and could not provide much water power. The February 2, 1888 issue of Dodge County Pioneer reports “John Schrauth sold his gristmill in Theresa to Mr. Small of Rush Lake, Minn. for \$11,000.00. Briemann converted his shop to steam power, but decided to sell the following year. On May 23, 1889 Charles G. Briemann sold to Charles E. Jung from the Town of Wayne in Washington County for \$2,975.00 the shop he had built and “all of the machinery, engine, boiler, and tools contained in the buildings therein.” Within a year, C.E. Jung added onto the machine shop for space to operate a hardware store, and both businesses are noted on the 1890 plat map. Today, the site of Carl Briemann’s shop which became the C.E. Jung & Bro. Machine Shop and C.E. Jung Hardware Store is 101 Mill St., now the Lerch residence.

After selling his shop in Theresa, Carl moved to the city of Juneau where he operated a machine shop and produced the “Hexel Machine”, a cutter for animal feed. An example of this machine is on display in the Dodge Centre Historical Society museum in Juneau.



Note that by this time he dropped the second “n” from his last name. About 1892, Brieman’s business became Juneau Boiler Works. Juneau Boiler Works produced the “Economizer Boiler” sold across Wisconsin and neighboring states and other scattered markets in the U.S.

Many boilers were installed in cheese factories and ran steam engines to reduce the manual labor in the cheese making process. Juneau Boiler Works also produced smoke stacks, steel culverts, and cast iron foundry products. Business increased and additions were made to the handsome cream brick shop on the southeast corner of East Oak Grove St. and Mill St. in Juneau. The building formerly occupied by the Automatic Carrier Company (an early barn cleaner manufacturer) on the southwest corner of Hyland St. and Center St was purchased by Juneau Boiler Works and used for storage.





Transporting Smokestacks and Boilers made by Juneau Boiler Works

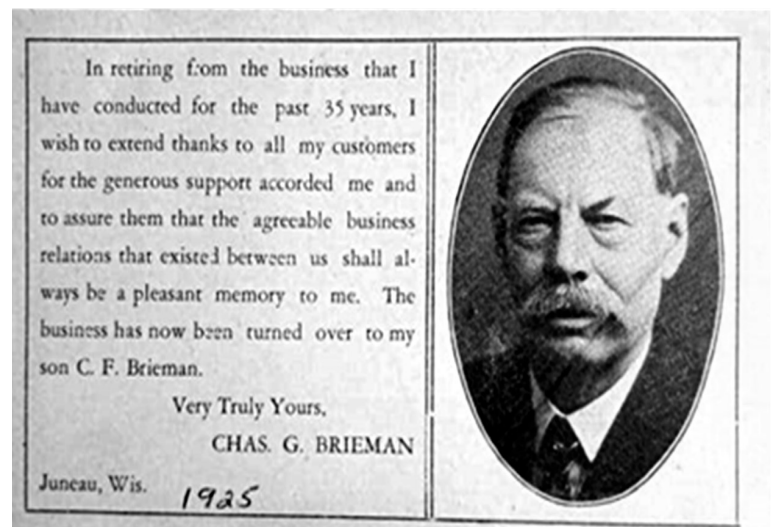
By 1925, Charles G. Brieman sold Juneau Boiler Works to his son Carl Frank Brieman, born in 1894 and veteran of WWI. Carl F. Brieman had two sons, Carl G. "Mike" Brieman born in 1921 and Harold C. Brieman born in 1923. Both sons worked with their father in the business, except for time spent in service during WWII, until the brothers formed a partnership and took over the business in 1954. In 1955, Carl purchased a storefront building at 158 East Oak St. and moved the office to that location. The manufacture of boilers was discontinued in 1957 and the focus of Juneau Boiler Works became plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and appliance sales. In 1965, Carl purchased his brother Harold's share of the business and became sole owner with his wife, Rosalynn. After Carl G. Brieman died in 1986, the business continued under Rosie's ownership and the efforts of Rosie and Carl's son, John "Spike". Juneau Boiler Works closed after marking 100 years of business in 1992.

In 1998, John Brieman started Spike's Radiator and Fabricating in the former Automatic Carrier building. Spike Brieman continues to operate his business there today providing radiator and fuel tank repair services for vehicles of all ages, tractors, and equipment. The original Juneau Boiler Works building on the corner of East Oak Grove St. and Mill St. was demolished about 2010, and is now part of the Sensient Flavors property.

Many thanks to those who assisted with this research project: John "Spike" Brieman, Bill Kuntz- President, Dodge Centre Historical Society, Dodge County Register of Deeds office, Theresa Public Library



Manufacturers' Name Plate and Steam Pressure gauge

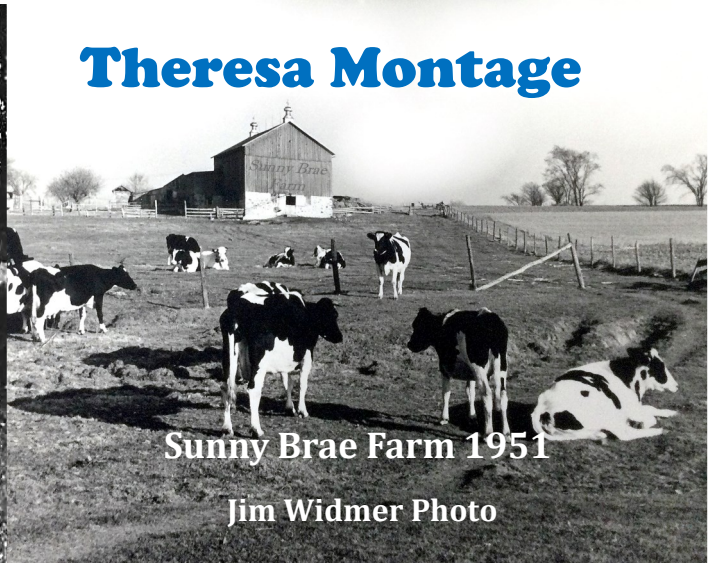


Les Beck's: It happened Theresa

First Ice Cream in Theresa was served at a community picnic at Beck's Park 1912

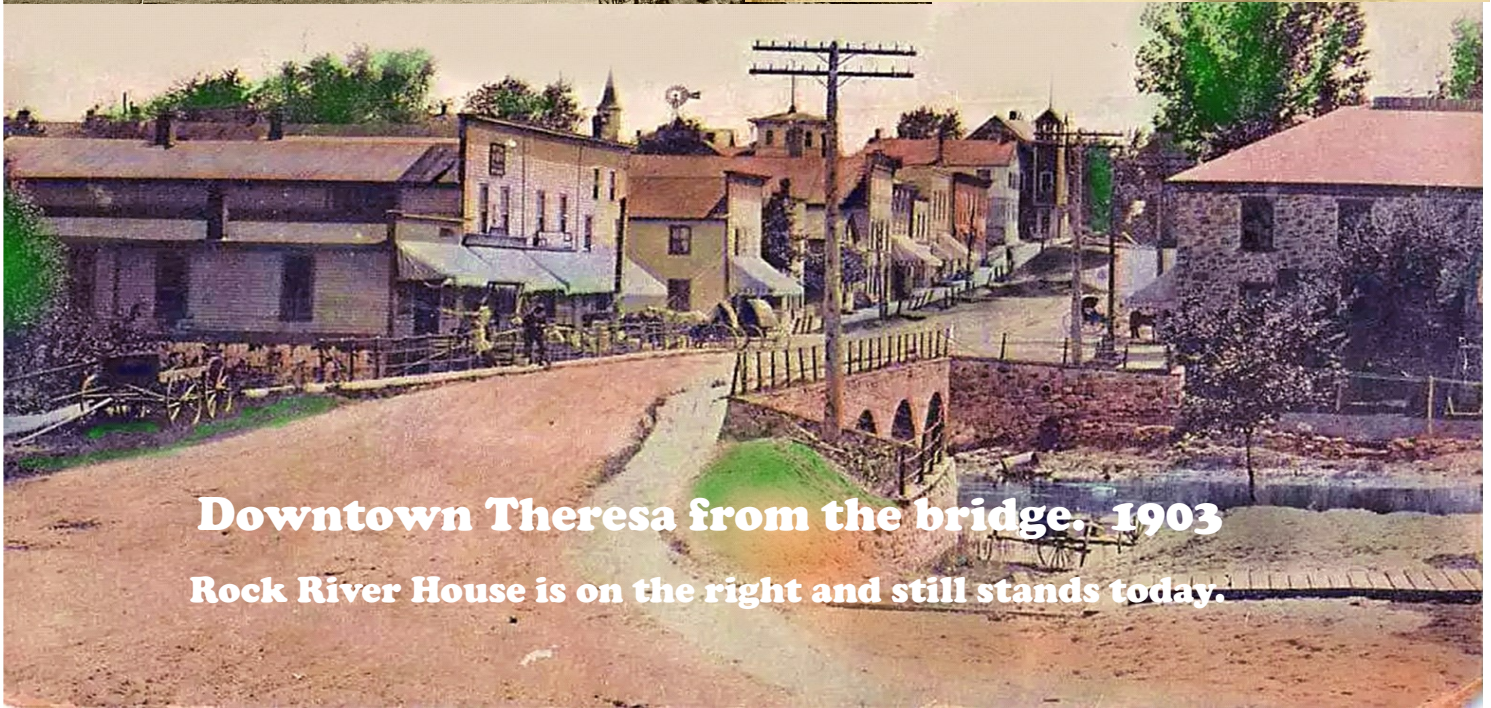


Norma and Clara Christian 1924



Sunny Brae Farm 1951

Jim Widmer Photo



Downtown Theresa from the bridge. 1903

Rock River House is on the right and still stands today.