

# Madison County Hist

Jared McDonald, Manager

At the end of November the Madison County Historical Society said goodbye to long time Manager, Wendell Spencer, after 18 years of service to the museum. We wish Wendell the best in his retirement.

We would like to introduce Jared McDonald as our new manager. Jared has been on the Madison County Historical Society since he was in high school. He has volunteered at the museum since he was in high school with his wife, Tara, and 19 month old son, Sawyer. Jared will help help move the museum forward. He has been very busy with the help of know the ins and outs of running the museum. He started working with all the staff and volunteers this summer.

## ***Opening day for the Madison County Historical Society***

Please stop by and visit! We plan on having the Depot Freight area open this summer and the Stone Barn open for visitors as well. If you have any questions or comments please call us at 515-462-2134, or e-mail us at

[mchistory@historyonthehill.com](mailto:mchistory@historyonthehill.com)



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## **Volunteer Orientation**

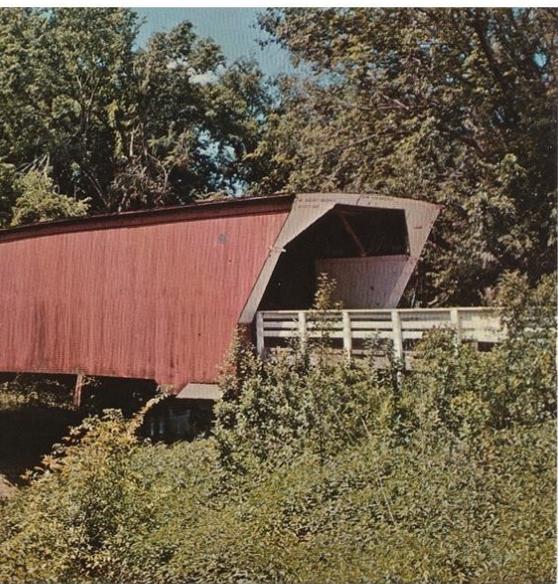
**Sunday, April 21st**

**1:00pm**

*Calling all volunteers!* Join us Sunday, April 21st for an orientation to be held at the museum. Get updates on the museum and our new manager, Jared McDonald. Please mark your calendars for this informative meeting. Refreshments will be provided.

# Madison County Historical Society Annual Meeting

May 5, 2013 1:00pm  
South 2nd Avenue  
Open to the public



## “From the Past” Gene and Gene Crawford collection

Refreshments will be served

For more information call 462-2134

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### Calendar of Events 2013

April 20, 1pm Pampered Chef Fund Raiser for Passport

April 21, 1pm Volunteer Orientation

May 1, OPENING DAY

May 5, 1pm Annual Meeting

June 1, Noon—5pm “Fun in the Sun” Car Show

June 28-29 Annual Garage Sale Fundraiser for Passport

October 12-13 Covered Bridge Festival—Passport to the Past

October 27, 1pm Museum Volunteer Appreciation



to the Past Presents  
The Pampered Chef Fundraiser!  
Saturday, April 20, 2013  
10:00am-3:00pm  
Madison County  
Historical Complex

The Pampered Chef products and help fund educational programs during the annual Covered Bridge Festival!

Can't make it Saturday?  
Party open through Friday, April 26th.  
Don't miss out!!

The Pampered Chef purchases will go to the support to the Past program!

Contact us at 515-462-2134

## *Voices From the Past...*

### *County Fair Is 100 Years Old*

*The first annual Madison county fair was held Oct. 3, 1867, on a site about 10 miles northeast of Winterset. (This was on what is known as section 29, Union township).*

*Reports of this first county fair indicate that the weather was favorable to anything on exhibition, except the ladies who were sheltered under sheds.*

*Total receipts of \$146.25 were reported from the fair, and the total cost was \$478.90.*

*About the year 1867, the board of supervisors selected a fairgrounds site just west of Winterset. This service has continued for many years.*

*Early day minutes of fair board meetings state that the fair was held "except 1894".*

*"A premium list was published that year, but because the crops were raised, the cattle and hogs were all sold, or were so low in price, and the farmers having the blues, no fair was held".*

*In the secretary's report to the state fair for 1894, it is stated that 250 head were driven to market from Madison county, and 250 head from other counties would be 350 head taken to market. The average price was \$1.50 per head.*

*Other items on this same early day report were: 1000 bushels of wheat, 1000 bushels of corn, 1000 bushels of oats, 1000 bushels of rye, 1000 bushels of barley, 1000 bushels of clover, 1000 bushels of timothy, 1000 bushels of alfalfa, 1000 bushels of hay, 1000 bushels of straw, 1000 bushels of wood, 1000 bushels of coal, 1000 bushels of oil, 1000 bushels of flour, 1000 bushels of sugar, 1000 bushels of salt, 1000 bushels of lime, 1000 bushels of plaster, 1000 bushels of cement, 1000 bushels of brick, 1000 bushels of stone, 1000 bushels of sand, 1000 bushels of gravel, 1000 bushels of pebbles, 1000 bushels of shells, 1000 bushels of bones, 1000 bushels of horns, 1000 bushels of hooves, 1000 bushels of manure, 1000 bushels of compost, 1000 bushels of fertilizer, 1000 bushels of seed, 1000 bushels of tools, 1000 bushels of machinery, 1000 bushels of hardware, 1000 bushels of crockery, 1000 bushels of glassware, 1000 bushels of ironware, 1000 bushels of tinware, 1000 bushels of copperware, 1000 bushels of silverware, 1000 bushels of goldware, 1000 bushels of jewelry, 1000 bushels of clothing, 1000 bushels of shoes, 1000 bushels of hats, 1000 bushels of gloves, 1000 bushels of socks, 1000 bushels of underwear, 1000 bushels of outerwear, 1000 bushels of accessories, 1000 bushels of gifts, 1000 bushels of novelties, 1000 bushels of toys, 1000 bushels of books, 1000 bushels of records, 1000 bushels of tapes, 1000 bushels of videos, 1000 bushels of DVDs, 1000 bushels of CDs, 1000 bushels of MP3s, 1000 bushels of MP4s, 1000 bushels of MP5s, 1000 bushels of MP6s, 1000 bushels of MP7s, 1000 bushels of MP8s, 1000 bushels of MP9s, 1000 bushels of MP10s, 1000 bushels of MP11s, 1000 bushels of MP12s, 1000 bushels of MP13s, 1000 bushels of MP14s, 1000 bushels of MP15s, 1000 bushels of MP16s, 1000 bushels of MP17s, 1000 bushels of MP18s, 1000 bushels of MP19s, 1000 bushels of MP20s, 1000 bushels of MP21s, 1000 bushels of MP22s, 1000 bushels of MP23s, 1000 bushels of MP24s, 1000 bushels of MP25s, 1000 bushels of MP26s, 1000 bushels of MP27s, 1000 bushels of MP28s, 1000 bushels of MP29s, 1000 bushels of MP30s, 1000 bushels of MP31s, 1000 bushels of MP32s, 1000 bushels of MP33s, 1000 bushels of MP34s, 1000 bushels of MP35s, 1000 bushels of MP36s, 1000 bushels of MP37s, 1000 bushels of MP38s, 1000 bushels of MP39s, 1000 bushels of MP40s, 1000 bushels of MP41s, 1000 bushels of MP42s, 1000 bushels of MP43s, 1000 bushels of MP44s, 1000 bushels of MP45s, 1000 bushels of MP46s, 1000 bushels of MP47s, 1000 bushels of MP48s, 1000 bushels of MP49s, 1000 bushels of MP50s, 1000 bushels of MP51s, 1000 bushels of MP52s, 1000 bushels of MP53s, 1000 bushels of MP54s, 1000 bushels of MP55s, 1000 bushels of MP56s, 1000 bushels of MP57s, 1000 bushels of MP58s, 1000 bushels of MP59s, 1000 bushels of MP60s, 1000 bushels of MP61s, 1000 bushels of MP62s, 1000 bushels of MP63s, 1000 bushels of MP64s, 1000 bushels of MP65s, 1000 bushels of MP66s, 1000 bushels of MP67s, 1000 bushels of MP68s, 1000 bushels of MP69s, 1000 bushels of MP70s, 1000 bushels of MP71s, 1000 bushels of MP72s, 1000 bushels of MP73s, 1000 bushels of MP74s, 1000 bushels of MP75s, 1000 bushels of MP76s, 1000 bushels of MP77s, 1000 bushels of MP78s, 1000 bushels of MP79s, 1000 bushels of MP80s, 1000 bushels of MP81s, 1000 bushels of MP82s, 1000 bushels of MP83s, 1000 bushels of MP84s, 1000 bushels of MP85s, 1000 bushels of MP86s, 1000 bushels of MP87s, 1000 bushels of MP88s, 1000 bushels of MP89s, 1000 bushels of MP90s, 1000 bushels of MP91s, 1000 bushels of MP92s, 1000 bushels of MP93s, 1000 bushels of MP94s, 1000 bushels of MP95s, 1000 bushels of MP96s, 1000 bushels of MP97s, 1000 bushels of MP98s, 1000 bushels of MP99s, 1000 bushels of MP100s.*

*In 1907, a semi-centennial, or 50th annual fair was held. The officers were: A.D. Guye, president; W.H. Vance and Elmer O. Miller, vice-presidents; A.M. Meachem, 2nd vice-president.*

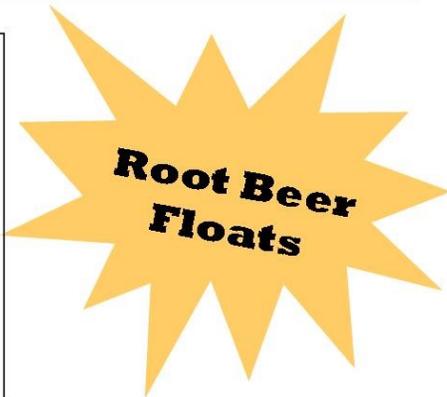
Taken from the Winterset Madisonian, July 1956

# Fun in the Sun Car Show



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### SPRING CLEANING?

Keep us in mind when clearing out those closets!  
for the garage sale. Call Jared or Debbie at 515-  
on donating items toward this fundraiser. All donat  
All proceeds from the annual garage sale go toward  
the Museum Complex during the Covered Bridge Fe

## “PASSPORT TO THE ANNUAL GARAGE

719 WEST JEFFERSON



### FRIDAY, **June 28th** SATURDAY, **June 29th**

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO FUND ACTIVITIES AT THE  
COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL

*Sorry, no large electronics, including tv's, are*

Be sure to put this HUGE garage sale on your calendar!  
You never know what you'll find at this annual