

BARABOO WISCONSIN
1850-2015

INCLUDING A CONTINUATION OF
"BARABOO WISCONSIN...1850-2010"
VOLUME I, II, III, IV AND V

A CHRONOLOGY OF THE GROWTH OF BARABOO
INCLUDING THE
COMMERCIAL & RETAIL DISTRICTS

VOLUME VI

BARABOO

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To turn back the pages of local history is indeed an interesting feat. It takes us to a small village, a country town of plank sidewalks, or no walks, muddy or dusty streets, no public lighting, water drawn from the town pump and carried home in a wooden bucket, a family cow and the family pig pastured on the town commons, precious letters and papers brought in for weary miles by slow horse or slower ox teams, often in lumber wagons and other like primitive living conditions with which our ancestors were familiar. Not alone were these conditions common to the times, but they were so universal that our good people seldom complained or rebelled at the old fashion life these external circumstances imposed.

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Please Read the Following

This **Volume VI** contains an "**Index**" of over 1,500 Baraboo and West Baraboo "businesses, business people, local events and articles of interest" and in most cases will refer you to a specific address or section.

In some cases the index of this volume may refer you to one of the original Volumes I, II, III, IV or V of "**BARABOO Wisconsin 1850-2010**". Be sure to also check Volume I through Volume V for additional information regarding your search.

Any possible future volumes, such as "**Volume VII**" onward, will also contain their own individual index.

This Volume VI may be posted on line at some point.

At this time (2015) the publication of Volumes I through V may be accessed on line at the following link.

<http://www.baraboopubliclibrary.org/resources#digital books> Digital Books

or

<http://www.baraboopubliclibrary.org/baraboo-1850-2010-chronology-growth-commercial-retail-districts>

Enjoy....

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INTRODUCTION

So much has been written regarding the history of Baraboo that to find certain information on any given subject might take longer than it took to write this book. It is my wish that this writing shall bring together most of these historical data.

The object of my research and writings is to put into print the history of the original business and commercial districts of Baraboo.

The goal of this narrative is to venture back into the early 1800's before settlers made the "Baraboo Rapids" their home, to identify and track businesses and their owners and those that followed in their footsteps. There has been a lot written over the years about those early times, but to sort through it all and to pick what I considered to be historically correct was a task.

I will confess, and you will no doubt agree as you read on, that I am not schooled in writing. My work life was spent as an engineer designing molds for molding plastic products as well as designing special tooling for secondary operations on manufactured products.

I have not produced a written bibliography of my sources but let it suffice to say, that my research required the scouring of more than 6,000 Baraboo weekly newspapers, which were printed between 1850 and 1967, many scrapbooks, city directories, phone books, etc.

This required time equivalent to 3 to 5 hours a day, 5 to 6 days a week for 10 years; also, many people have contacted me from near and far

with family histories and pictures. My major book sources were and continue to be the twenty-volume *Wisconsin Historical Collections*,

published from 1855 to 1915. I also have a large library of other historical books including many volumes of "*The Proceedings of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin*".

This volume VI has its own index consisting of over 8000 names and businesses that have occupied this area since the 1840's. There may be duplications but I feel that is better than an omitted entity.

Historical writings are full of mistakes and the writings herein will prove no different. It is my hope that people will come forward and in a constructive manner suggest corrections and/or additions. So please make a good case, with documents and pictures if possible.

It is also my hopes that someone will step forward and volunteer to make additions and corrections to this live chronology and take some of the load off of the now author.

It has been an impossible job to give credit to the source for each and every photo due to the fact that many people donated the same image. I have however, endeavored to credit

everyone that provided data and pictures. If you were missed, please do not feel offended. Make it known to the author and the next printing will correct the matter.

Thank you and enjoy!

Joseph W. Ward

The five sections in this Volume VI represents a continuation of Volumes I through V of **BARABOO...Wisconsin, 1850 to 2010**

- Section I:** (Continuation of Vol. I) Includes indexes of Baraboo & West Baraboo followed by the "About Section".
- Section II:** (Continuation of Vol. II) Includes a continuation of the "About Section", followed by the "Trivia Sections I, II, III & IV" and Ash Street and Broadway.
- Section III:** (Continuation of Vol. III) Includes "Fifth Ave. & Street, First Ave. & Street, Fourth Ave. & Street, Lynn Ave. & Street and Oak Street (terminating at 508 Oak Street).
- Section IV:** (Continuation of Vol. IV) Includes Oak Street (beginning at 510 Oak Street), Second Ave. & Street, South Boulevard (north and south of the viaduct), Third Ave. and Street (terminating at 123 Third Street).
- Section V:** (Continuation of Vol. V) Includes Third Street (beginning at 125-127 Third Street), Vine Street, Walnut Street, Water Street, West Baraboo (formerly Lyons), Highway 12 (aka BD) south of the Baraboo River, West Pine Street (Highway 12 aka BD, north of the Baraboo River) and a 93-page intensive study of Baraboo dated 1989.

Study the following "Contents Pages" to become familiar with the layout of these five sections.

IMPORTANT...PLEASE READ

BARABOO Wisconsin 1850-2015, Volume VI

This volume is a continuation of the original volumes
I through V and has its own individual Index

Volume I of the original books is continued in **Section I**
Volume II of the original books is continued in **Section II**
Volume III of the original books is continued in **Section III**
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Volume V of the original books is continued in **Section V**

--IMPORTANT--

There may be instances where the Volume VI index may refer you to one of the original five volumes of
BARABOO Wisconsin 1850-2010

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