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May 13th 2025 Lunch and Learn

A History of Waukesha County Agriculture

WAUKESHA, WI – **April 12, 2025** – Join the Waukesha County Historical Society and Museum for our monthly Lunch and Learn.

The Waukesha County Historical Society & Museum is excited to host our popular Lunch and Learn Program on the second Tuesday of the month from 11:30 – 12:30. Each month we will have an interesting and educational presentation for you.

This month Tom Schlei, PhD will present - A History of Waukesha County Agriculture

This presentation will cover an extensive history of Waukesha County agricultural practices and businesses, from the early settlers to today's modern farms. Dr. Tom Schlei's Lunch and Learn will provide an overview of one of the most critical industries that has led to the development of Waukesha County.

Tom Schlei received his B.S in Fire Science at Southern Illinois University and continued with his academic career with a Master's and PhD in Adult & Continuing Education Degrees. He worked as a Fire Science Instructor for 25 years at the Waukesha Technical College, and enjoys traveling, woodworking, and photography. Dr. Schlei has a rich knowledge of agriculture, as he used to work on his uncle's dairy farm. He is now a Waukesha County Historical Society and Museum Board Member and volunteer who worked extensively on the Agricultural Legacies of Waukesha exhibit.

Tickets Options: \$10 to attend the presentation, \$28 for a lunch, \$25 for a lunch for WCHSM members.

You can purchase tickets on Humanitx – linked on our website -

https://waukeshacountymuseum.org/

Call the museum at 262-521-2859 to reserve tickets (payment will be taken over the phone)

OR Stop by the museum at 101 W. Main Street and order in-person during hours of operation (Wednesday-Friday 1-4 pm, Saturday 10am-4 pm)

Questions? Call 262-521-2859 x222 or Email director@wchsm.org.