

The Perry Hauge Log Church Preservation Association, Inc.

Mystery Photo



According to family lore this turn of the century photo, provided by Preservation Association member Anita Iverson, was taken on the Hauge Church grounds and depicts a family or school reunion. Judging by the terrain and embankment along the bottom of the picture the photographer could have been standing on what is now Highway Z with the crowd located near today's driveway and parking areas. If anyone has further information about what this event might have been, or the location, let us know! You can email Anita directly at anita.iverson@landsend.com or contact the Hauge Preservation Association at Post Office Box 34, Blue Mounds, Wisconsin, 53517.



Newsletter Editor

The Hauge Preservation Association is presently looking for someone to edit the *Historiske Hauge Nyheter* newsletter. If interested, or to find out more, please contact the Association at PO Box 34, Blue Mounds, WI 53517 or email CraigB@mhtc.net.

Hauge visitors come from around the world!

Based on a review of the visitor guest book nearly one thousand people from around the world visited the Hauge Log Church during 2006, with twenty nine states and six foreign countries (England, Germany, Iceland, New Zealand, Norway, and Poland) represented. As might be expected 63% of our visitors came from Wisconsin, with 21% coming from other states. 5% were from overseas, and the remaining 11% did not indicate a place of origin. Here's a sampling of comments left by visitors:

- "This is a very special place, thank you for preserving it!"
- "We stop here for a moment of quiet reflection each time we drive through" (from Seattle, WA)
- "From my childhood to having my children this is my favorite place to see. Its beauty and serenity are second to none"
- "What a beautiful spot - wish the church could tell it's stories"
- "Our ancestors worshiped here" (from Denver, CO)
- "Thank you for allowing us to share in this historical wonder"
- "First time I saw this - love it!"
- "8th time we've been here"
- "A favorite spot to visit, thanks for preserving our history"
- "We brought our children here for picnics when they were tots. So many memories, thanks to those who keep it up!"
- "Thanks for keeping the heritage alive"
- "Most serene place I've found so far through my journey in life. Thank You"
- "Good vibes", "Beautiful", "Peaceful", "Quite unexpected!", "Awesome", "Cool", "Wow"
- "How wonderful to be trusted to see such a great piece of history"



The annual membership meeting of the Perry Hauge Log Church Preservation Association, Inc. will be held on Saturday January 19, 2008 at the Perry Lutheran Church in Daleyville, beginning at 10 AM. All Association members are invited and encouraged to attend!




Hauge Log Church Interior (Gasa Williams Photograph)

The Dane County Historical Society also recognized the site in 1964 for its "historical significance to the community of this building and of the people who have cherished it".

Today, the Perry Hauge Log Church Preservation Association continues the work of maintaining and preserving the original Hauge Log Church. (Membership Information)

The pioneer sanctuary still hosts numerous weddings, baptisms, and other special occasions each year. Open from sunrise to sunset seven days a week year-round, nearly a thousand visitors from around the world stop annually to enjoy the scenic solitude of the location to retreat from the busy modern world for a moment of quiet reflection.



Be sure and visit us on the web - our site has a new look!



Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk holds a press conference outside the Hauge Church.

Biggrass band Down from the Hills entertains.





The Hauge Log Church
An 1852 pioneer Norwegian log church and historic site located near Mount Horeb, Wisconsin

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Upcoming Events at the Hauge Log Church

September 7-8, 2007 (Friday-Saturday)	Private Wedding
October 6, 2007 (Saturday)	Private Wedding
January 19, 2008 (Saturday)	Annual Membership Meeting

The pioneer Hauge sanctuary is available to host your wedding, baptism, reunion, or other memorable family occasion!



www.HaugeLogChurch.org

Need a year-end tax deduction? Consider a donation to the Hauge Preservation Fund!

Dane County continues to be the fastest growing county in the State of Wisconsin. In an effort to maintain the Hauge Church's quiet rural setting in the face of mounting development pressures, The Hauge Preservation Fund was established in 2001 to support the Town of Perry's acquisition of property surrounding the Hauge Church site for use as a public park and undeveloped buffer area surrounding the original church grounds. Over \$132,000 has been raised to date, however your assistance is still needed in order to reach our final goal of \$150,000. Before the rush of holiday activities please consider making a donation to the Hauge Preservation Fund at Post Office Box 34, Blue Mounds, WI 53517. *All contributions are fully deductible to the extent allowed by law.* Help us preserve the rural solitude of the Hauge Church for future generations!

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