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the *authentic*  
New Berlin history

NEW BERLIN  
*H*ISTORICAL  
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August 2025

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**MUSEUM OPEN DATES — 1-4 pm**  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month

**HISTORIC DAY/BEER GARDEN/ OPEN  
HOUSE/PARADE**

Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 pm  
Parade at 2pm

**OPEN HOUSE & APPLEFEST/BEER  
GARDEN**

Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 pm



Miss Wisconsin 2024,  
Mandi Genord, and Brenda  
Baudo pose on our newest  
display.



Half Twisted/Half Knot  
delighted the children  
with his unique balloon  
creations.

**Historic Day And Applefest**

Mark your calendars for Historic Day which has its annual mini parade at 2pm and lots of activities for kids. Our blacksmith and antique gun collector will also be there. Applefest is great because you can cross the street and buy freshly picked apples, and kids can ride the barrel train through the orchard.

**Father's Day Open House**

We had nice weather, which was perfect for the inaugural Miss Wisconsin Contestant Parade. After the parade, the girls mingled with our visitors on the grounds and in the Museum where there is a New Miss Wisconsin display. There was live music and beer to enjoy

**Ice Cream Social Open House**

The Ice Cream Social is one of many people's favorite events as there is so much for kids to do – such as making and eating ice cream! Once again, the balloon creations of the Half Twisted/Half Knot genius were seen all over the grounds. We enjoyed the music of the Happy Hour Brass Ensemble while the kids rode the barrel train through the apple orchard.



Miss Wisconsin contestants wave to the crowd during the parade at the Father's Day Open House.



*The new Miss Wisconsin display in the east bay had its first public showing during our Father's Day event*



*The new Lions Club display in the east bay honors both of New Berlin's Lions Clubs.*



*Sandy Klingensmith is honored as the New Berlin Historical Society Patriotic Citizen for 2025 during ceremonies at the Hoepfner-Horn VFW Post*

## **Museum News**

Our work crew worked hard to complete two new displays. One honoring the history of the Miss Wisconsin Pageant and the other recognizing our two Lions Clubs – the New Berlin Lions and The Prospect Lions. The Pageant is a worthy cause as it provides college scholarships for winners. Our two Lions Clubs provide funds yearly for some very worthy local groups.

### **41st Annual Patriotic Citizen Award**

Sandy Klingensmith was our 2025 nominee for this honor. Sandy joined in 2023 and has been very helpful wherever needed. She was elected to the Board of Directors in 2024. Thank you, Sandy.

### **Fourth of July Corn Stand**

The Board of Directors sent a group of volunteers to our city's 4th of July Festival to sell corn for the Prospect Lions. Sales were brisk and kept us very busy.

### **State Fair Corn Stand**

This year members worked two different evenings. On the first day of the Fair, eight of us helped on the evening shift. On our usual Tuesday evening shift we brought 14 members. We truly enjoy helping at both Lions Club events as both of them give so much back to our community

### **Open House Road Closing**

For this year's Historic Day and Applefest, National Avenue will be closed to all traffic, and you will need to park at the Prospect Hill Garden Center and use the free shuttle to get to the Park. Starting next year, National Ave will be closed for the June and September Open Houses because

we have the Miss Wisconsin parade and our Historic Day parade. For our July and October events, the road will be open for our visitors who like to park along National Avenue but closed to “through traffic”. There will still be a free shuttle bus at Prospect Hill Garden Center.

**Membership Dues**

September is the month that all members need to renew their membership (unless you are a Life Member). Our Society would be nothing without your support. Please mail in your \$15 dues check payable to the New Berlin Historical Society before the end of September.

That small fee covers everyone in your family. A renewal form is included with this Newsletter, or you can just send your check to:

Sue Hemmen  
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Thanks!

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**New Member**  
• Patrick & Joanne Archer

**\*\*\* UPCOMING EVENTS \*\*\***



*Don't Miss the 32<sup>st</sup> Annual*

**NEW BERLIN HISTORIC DAY PARADE & BEER GARDEN**

Sunday, September 7, 2025 (Grandparents Day)

All Historic Buildings & Museum will be open 1-4pm  
Beer provided by Component Brewing



Parking at Prospect Hill Garden Center  
Shuttle Buses Provided -- Parade starts at 2pm



**APPLEFEST & BEER GARDEN**

Sunday, October 12, 2025

All Historic Buildings & Museum will be open  
1-4pm

Come hear live music by  
The Blue Grass All Stars

Beer provided by Component Brewing



Parking at Prospect Hill Garden Center  
Shuttle Buses Provided



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