

Scenes from Princeton's Past Event – The Cemetery Walking Tour – August 26th

Saturday will highlight the first annual Cemetery Walking Tour in the Princeton City Cemetery. The actors will be telling the story of our community through the lives of those being portrayed. The event will also touch upon some of the events which helped form Princeton and surrounding area.

Princeton has changed a lot from the early days, as Princeton once had had a Brewery, a Cigar Factory, and the local Doctor who made house calls. You will also learn about Frank Yahr – the first banker; Marie Corenke – a downtown candy store owner; Lucy Whitcraft – wife of Veteran from the Civil War; Adeline Stern – Wife of the local Jeweler; Reverend Hoyer – the Lutheran Minister; Henrietta Schendel – a mother who suffered great losses in her family; Amos Dike – Veteran of the War of 1812; in addition to Edith Mueller, Carl Weist, and Wilhelmine Miller. The Princeton Cemetery also has a strong presence of Veterans buried there.

Our walk will also highlight the history of Potters Field, view the restoration efforts that have been completed to date, along with future projects to be undertaken.

There are two tours, one beginning at 1:30 and the second at 4:00. The tour will take about one hour. There is a small donation fee of \$5.00 which will be used toward the next restoration project which is replacement of some deteriorating walls. Children under 12 are free. Attendees are reminded that the cemetery grounds are uneven and on a combination grassy/gravel pathways. You will be walking on uneven ground or standing for the entire tour time so please wear walking shoes. Please note, in one promotional piece it noted that there were two different shows, however they are the same presentation.

The Princeton Cemetery is at the edge of the City limits on Hwy 73. Parking is provided on the back side of the cemetery off from City Hwy "J".

As a thank you to the attendees of the Cemetery Walking Tour, a coupon book has been compiled which consists of special offers from various local businesses. Coupons from Aunt Judy's Restaurant, BeerBellys, Brake Time Ice Cream Store, Buckhorn Bar & Grill, Daiseye and Green Three Gifts & Apparel, Dave's Small Engine, Ellisons Grey Lion Inn Bed & Breakfast, Fox River Country Mercantile retail, Horseradish Food Truck, Huser Daddy Antiques, Jillians Corner Cottage gifts, Jim's Place Bar & Grill, Johnny Crow's Collectables, MNM Antique Mall, Mike's Payless, Riverbank Dry Goods retail, Stars & Strikes Bowling, Teak and Soxy gifts and collectables, Twister retail & beverages, and Victorian House Antiques. These businesses have graciously provided a promotion to enhance this special day in Princeton.

If anyone else buried in the City Cemetery, please contact City Hall at 531 S Fulton Street or call 920-295-6612 or email mneubauer@cityofprincetonwi.com or cnickel@cityofprincetonwi.com. All information that is collected goes in the binders of all the people buried in the City of Princeton Cemetery that are kept at City Hall. City Hall is also looking for old Year Books from Princeton High School. If anyone has any that they do not want or need anymore and would like to donate them to the City of Princeton for use in these articles and information for the Cemetery Walking Tour, please contact City Hall. City Hall is also looking at potentially doing a Second Printing of the 1930's Edition of the Band Mother's Cookbook as a fundraiser for the Cemetery Restoration.



Princeton City Cemetery Hwy 73 /Cty Trk J at City limits



Carl A. Weist – Brewmaster – Tiger Brew

Civil War Veterans Wife - Lucy Whitcraft



Edith Mueller – Doc Mueller’s Wife



Maria Corenke – Local Candy Maker



Lutheran Church Minister - Rev. Adolph Hoyer



Amos Dike – Veteran of the War of 1812



And while you are in that Historic Frame of Mind, August 26th at 10:00 a.m. will be the formal presentation of the Historic Walking Tour Plaque Project. This event takes place at the Tiger Brew location, 317 S. Farmer Street. There will be speakers which give an overview of how this project grew from an idea of placing plaques on those historic properties which are on the State Historic Register to include 45 plaque locations throughout the community highlighting the deep history of our city. Engraved on the plaque is a website, www.princetonhistorictour.com which will lead you to an interactive web page on the city website. Here you will find more information on individual buildings, pictures from the past, along with unique stories which were collected from citizens, and the map of the properties for viewing.