



SPECIAL PRE-CONFERENCE EDITION. 2007 ~ No 41

MI BARN

PROMOTING APPRECIATION, PRESERVATION, AND REHABILITATION OF MICHIGAN BARNS, FARMSTEADS, AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

REGISTER NOW | WORKING TO SAVE MICHIGAN BARNS 2007 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & MEETING MARCH 9 & 10

FRIDAY MARCH 9

Barn Tour Schedule

Bus loading 8:30 a.m.

Buses depart (Kellogg Center) 9:00 a.m. to visit four barns:

1. **Wright Barn, Potterville.** Restored for agricultural use.
2. **Tanglewood Barn, Olivet.** Unique construction.
3. **Wohlscheid Barn, Marshall.** Restored. Soon to feature a barn mural.
4. **Sullivan Barn, Battle Creek.** Former dairy. Now a technology center.

The lunch stop will be at Turkeyville for a hot meal.

Return to Kellogg Center 5 p.m.

Exhibit Room Open 4 to 7:30 p.m.

Dinner 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Followed by an entertaining auction of farm memorabilia and artwork with auctioneer Chuck Chestnut.



Chris Sayles' Jackson barn house is a work in progress. Learn from Chris at the March conference!

SATURDAY MARCH 10

Exhibits open: 8:30 to 3 p.m.

Registration: 8 to noon

Business meeting 9 to 10 a.m.

Opportunity to engage in MBPN decision making and vote on board membership.

Morning concurrent sessions 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

A. Metal Roofs - Frank Farmer, American Metal Roofs Co.

illustrates modern metal roofing options.

B. Tips from a Barn Artist - Evelyn Raiter, Romeo,

shares experiences in capturing on canvas, the spirit of barns. Her work will be in the exhibit room Friday only.

C. Moving a Large Barn - Roger Crane, DeWitt,

explains the process of moving a barn due to airport expansion.

D. A View from the National Park Service - Kimberly Mann,

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, highlights work to preserve barns and farmsteads.

Lunch

Noon to 1:15 p.m.

Barns of the Year Presentations

Afternoon concurrent sessions 1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

E. Historic Barn Murals - Doug Tyler

shares his motivation and techniques for doing well known barn murals in Southeast Michigan.

F. Barn to House Conversion - Chris Sayles, Jackson,

shares the whys and hows of his labor of love transformation process.

G. New Construction Materials - Bob VonBernuth, MSU Ag Engineering,

outlines types of materials available for repairing or constructing farm buildings

H. The Ellis Barn Today - Kathy Thomas provides updates on how this amazing barn was moved, rebuilt and is being used today.

Afternoon concurrent sessions 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

I. Paints for your barn - Steve Warden, Sherwin-Williams Co.,

talks about the many options available for barn use. Selection and application techniques will be covered.

J. Do It Yourself - Aaron Davis, Marshall, shares restoration tips.

K. Obtaining Historic Designation - Kathy Holtz, Consultant for Historic Preservation walks you through the steps of obtaining Historic Designation to make your work eligible for tax credits.

L. Visit with a Contractor - Randy Mouw, owner of Barn Cats, Rockford, highlights key points to consider when saving a barn.