

Museum Notes

for the week of February 15 – 21, 2026

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Thanks to everyone who helped to make our February program about Cheyenne Valley a success! If you weren't able to attend, you can watch the recording we made, which is now available on our new youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@vernoncountyhistory>. We will be adding more videos to the channel soon, so stay tuned.

Our calendar is filling up for the next month: First, remember to come to Carol Krogan's retirement party open house next week on Thursday, February 26, from 1 to 3PM, at the Vernon County Museum and History Center. Carol has worked here for a quarter century, so if you've visited the Vernon County Historical Society anytime in recent memory, you have probably met her! Come enjoy some cake and wish Carol a happy retirement.

The next public history program will be held on Tuesday, March 3, at 7PM, at the museum and history center. Local historian Brad Steinmetz will offer an insightful history of the village of La Farge. Brad is the author of several books about La Farge and the surrounding area, and he writes a weekly history column for the *La Farge Episcopope* newspaper.

The next genealogy class will be held on Thursday, March 12, at 10AM, at the museum and history center. Teacher Karen Sherry will talk to the class about how to find genealogical information about your Wisconsin ancestors.

From Saturday, March 14, through Thursday, March 26, we will be hosting our first-ever winter exhibition, "Good Earth - Deep Roots". This special exhibit will feature rarely-seen landscape paintings from the collection, on view for a limited time, plus a silent auction of local art. Nathan Popp, who has a doctorate in art history, is the guest curator for this exhibit.

The museum and history center will be open every day from 11AM to 4PM during the art show, March 14-26. Suggested donation of \$10 to see the art show and tour the museum. More details to come soon!