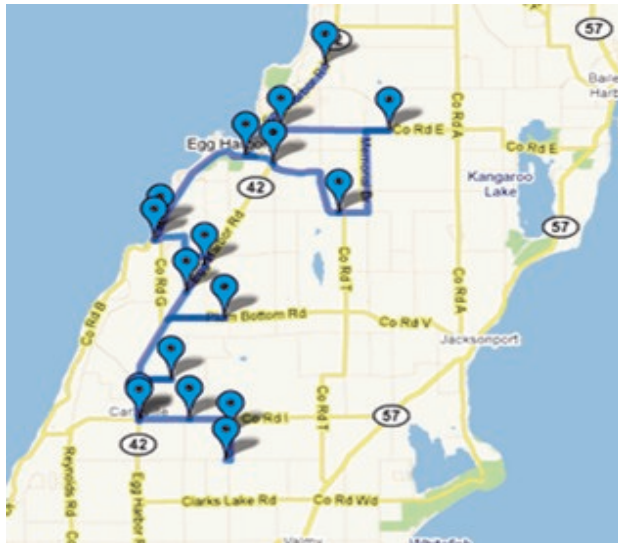




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Driving tour begins at 8100 State Hwy 42

8100 Hwy 42-Dr T C Proctor Estate; now Orchards Property LLC

In 1904 Dr. T.C. Proctor purchased this estate from Dr. David Graham as a side interest. Dr. Proctor had a general practice of medicine in Sturgeon Bay and on weekends came by stage to oversee his farm of 240 acres. In 1924 he auctioned his cattle and went into fruit growing. Joe and Eva Kita managed the orchards from the late 30's, acquired the buildings and some acreage in the latter years and Eva lived in the home until 2005. Dr. Proctor retired in 1933 and built a home on the estate overlooking the waters of Green Bay. (private residence)



4650 Cty Hwy E-Calvary United Methodist Churches 1924 and 1965

Calvary Church was originally a non-denominational church when it was organized as the Egg Harbor Union Society in 1912. The original stone church was built in 1924 on land donated by Anna Manney. It was pastored by Evangelical pastors until 1946 when they joined the United Brethren. In 1969 the E.U.B. church united with the Methodists. By 1962 a larger church was needed for summer visitors. Land was acquired and most labor was donated, not just by E.U.B.'s, but members of all denominations. Construction and financing of this 46 year old church is a revelation of faith and stamina. The church was dedicated in 1965 and mortgage burned in 1971. Members stated "This is the church that faith built."



Egg Harbor School



OLD EGG HARBOR - No date on these but they're probably around the 1910 era. One is the Egg Harbor Mrs. Egg Harbor Grade School. Dist #1



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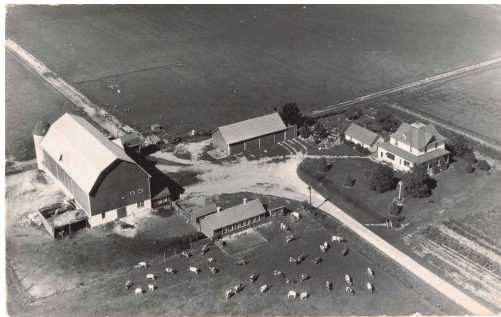


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4926 W Townline Road-Henschel's Cherryland Dairy Farm

A fourth generation family farm which began in 1902 by Ed and Mary Henschel is now owned by Mike and Jamie Henschel and sons. Raymond and Catherine Henschel were the second generation who added the cherry orchards and continued with the prize winning Ayrshire cattle. Third generation Roger and Helen started the Sawmill in 1985 with son Mike as a hobby. The farm consists of 520 owned and 110 rented acres of crops and tart cherries grown. 50 cows are milked in a 1906 stanchion barn, and the farm also has 50 replacement heifers, 40 steers, a 30 sow farrow-to-finish operation, horses, ducks and chickens. Every spring 1200 maple trees are tapped and the sap is gathered and processed to make maple syrup. The hobby sawmill is now a full time business of sawing logs, planing and kiln-drying lumber.



The Henschel Farm in the late 1950's.

7592 Heritage Lake Rd- Old Moravian Church now Myles Dann- hausen residence

This structure as originally built as a Moravian Church in 1875 near the center of what was then a community of rural farmers to the East of what is now the Village of Egg Harbor. It was used as a church until 1911 and then closed for lack of attendance. It was then converted to a residence and ancestors of Egg Harbor's Woldt family occupied the house for some time thereafter. It then remained vacant for 50 years as shown in the picture before being purchased and remodeled into a private home.



4518 Cty Hwy T-Jorns Sugar Bush



Roland Jorns is the third generation carrying on the tradition of collecting maple sap for syrup. Starting as a young boy due to his father being injured, he built his own maple syrup camp while

in high school on the present site of his home built in 1951. He has devoted his life to learning all the latest processes of making maple syrup. Jorns Sugar Bush has taken many top awards and Roland has had leadership roles in the Wisconsin Maple Syrup Producers Association. Pictures shows hauling syrup with horses.

7631 Hwy 42-Chief Oshkosh

Chief Roy Oshkosh came to Door County in 1939. He built his Indian Trading Post on the old campsite of his ancestors. He became Chief of the Menominees after his father's death in 1932. An amphitheater was built for weekly pageants in the summer. The full regalia, along with drums, tambourines, songs and stories entertained the crowds. He was well known in Wisconsin for his work with Boy Scouts and was an honorary member of the Order of the Arrow, being the only Indian in the U.S. who had received this honor as of 1958.



7715 Alpine Rd & 7670 Horseshoe Bay Rd -Alpine Resort & Golf Course



The Alpine, Door County's largest resort was built by brothers Paul and John Bertschinger. Brother Fred Bertschinger designed the buildings. The Alpine officially opened June 18, 1922. The original resort was comprised of the main lodge (about ¼ the size of today), 20 cottages and several supporting buildings. It had indoor plumbing with central baths and toilets serving the lodge and cottages. Refrigeration was provided with ice from the harbor, cut in winter and stored in the icehouse for summer. The original 9 golf course was purchased from Orrin Glidden in 1926. Additional 9's were added in 1948, 1976 and 2002. The third generation Bertschinger family continues to own and operate the resort. "Contact the Alpine Resort for a Guided Historical Tour of the Resort".

5706 N Country View Road-Staats Countryview Farms

Jacob and Magdalen Staats bought 80 acres, cleared land, built a log cabin and started farming. Son Edward and wife Mary took over the farm in 1919. The herd consisted of 25 cows in the 30's. Ownership was passed to their son Milton and wife Marion in 1949 and recognized as a Century Farm in 1983 at the Wisconsin State Fair. Fourth generation Ed and Deb have been owners since 1985. Cows are milked three times a day and the farm is operated on about 1000 acres. Brothers Ed and Ken Staats own the Maple Syrup business and wives Deb and Margie have developed and sell Maple Syrup products.



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5169 Cty Trk I-Schopf Hilltop Dairy

In the early 1900's William and Edith O'Hern purchased and cleared the land, built a house and barn and began farming. In 1945 Eunice (O'Hern) who was married to Alfred Schopf and son Roger moved to the farm and in 1952 built an addition to the barn and put in the first milking parlor in Door County, increasing the herd to 30 cows. In 1959 Roger married Rose Mary Stoeger, had five children and purchased the farm in 1969, increasing acreage to 480 and the herd to 90 cows. In 1995 son Dennis and his wife Roxanne bought the farm. In 2001 they built a new milking facility, free stall barn and are currently at 500 cows and 3200 acres, 620 owned. Schopf's Dairy View Country Store is open to the public for viewing of cows and enjoyment of homemade ice cream and fudge. A forty acre Corn Maze brings visitors from all over the United States.



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7212 Horseshoe Bay Rd-Horseshoe Bay Farms Property

This was an early site of a village from 1870-1889 called Horseshoe Bay or Cooperstown. Purchased in 1917 by Frank Murphy and family who developed an outstanding dairy farm, orchard, park and housing. The Murphy Black and White Holstein herd were nationally famous in early years. The classic barns are beautiful structures where no expense was spared. Note the weather vane and the dormer windows on the barns. Now owned by Barb and Glenn Timmerman.



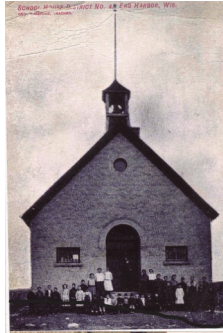
7119 Horseshoe Bay Rd-Murphy Park

In 1935 Frank Murphy donated this park to the County of Door. The beach has been the scene of many summer gatherings and was once the best place to fill up a bucket of smelt in the early spring. Currently, it is the termination point of the Door County triathlon.



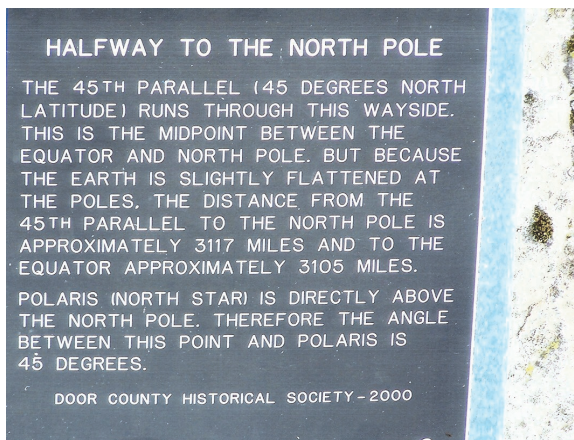
6936 Hwy 42-Sunny Point School

In 1883 a log school was built on land purchased from Fred Lawrence. In 1904 a brick school was built and a well drilled. In 1919 a two room state graded school was built. Transportation was provided to students living over 2 miles away in 1920. A two year high school was added from 1930 through 1944. A fire in 1965 ended the school's history and students went to Sevastopol Consolidated. In 1996 Guntis and Ilona Lauzums purchased and restored the building to the 1919 look. It became an Amber Jewelry Shop and Old Sunny Point Schoolhouse Inn.



6725 Hwy 42-45th Parallel

Located at the wayside between Egg Harbor and Carlsville on Hwy. 42, marks the geographical midpoint between the Equator and the North Pole. This is a Door County Historical site.



5760 Hwy 42-Carlsville Tavern (or Saloon) now Road House of Carlsville

John Alaers bought this property in June of 1905. He established this saloon and hotel, a blacksmith shop and livery barn. The hotel and livery barn were important for travelers between Sturgeon Bay and northern Door County. The dance hall was added later. Known owners besides John Alaers have been Otto Wolzien, Arnold Stoffel, Walter Bruckner, Bill and Sarah Anschutz and presently Doris Thorn. Tragically the building was destroyed in a fire in 2011. The owners intend to rebuild.



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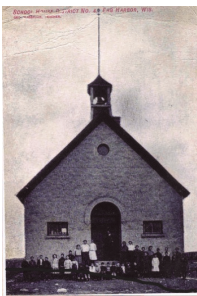
CARLSVILLE AREA



5226 Monument Point Road-Kuehn Century Farm

John and Barbara Kuehn bought the farm from J. T. Carmody in 1901. A 44 x 96' barn was built in 1910 and they began milking cows in 1915 by hand. In 1952 Joseph and Marion Kuehn bought the farm from his father. They have received many awards for their high quality of registered animals and milk production. In 2002 the farm received the Century Farm Award at the Wisconsin State Fair. Currently the farm is owned by Jerry Kuehn and consists of 165 acres.

5806 Hwy 42-Carlsville School District #3 1868-1965

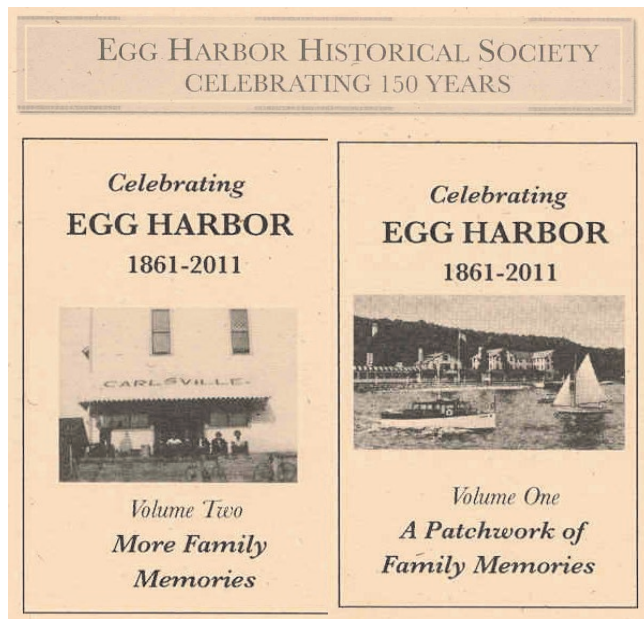


The first log school was built in 1868 on land purchased from Thomas Carmody, Sr. and wife Margaret. In 1894 it was voted to build a new frame school and the lot was fenced in 1898. A final two room school was built in 1919. William and Anna Urban deeded one acre to the property in 1924. The second semester of 1965 the children moved to Sevastopol and the school was closed per consolidation in 1961 and has been the Door Peninsula Winery since 1974

4950 Plum Bottom Road-Spittlemeister Century Farm

August and Bertha Volkmann Spittlemeister were both born in Germany and came to America with their parents. The Spittlemeister family settled in the Town of Jacksonport and the Volkmann family just a short distance from this farm. After their marriage August and Bertha began farming here on 80 acres of land in 1903. Later an additional 80 acres was added to the farm. They raised fifteen children, all of whom helped on the farm and with the younger children. They all went to school at Sunny Point either by walking or riding the sleigh bus in winter. Five of the boys served in World War II. Bob Spittlemeister took over the farm in 1950 and his wife Dolores joined him following their marriage in 1952. They live at the farm and have operated it since that time. As of 2011 the farm has been in the Spittlemeister family for 108 years.





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