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**Cold War veteran talks about the U.S. government’s secret D.C. bunkers at Iola Historical Society on Jan. 27**

Iola, WI: Tom Roemer, a Senior Microwave Radio Technician serving with the White House Communications Agency from June 21,1966 to August 1, 1969 lets listeners in on some secrets with his presentation on "Presidential Bunkers and Emergency Communications Sites During the Cold War" at the Iola Historical Society’s Jan. 27 meeting.

The U.S. government was concerned with survivability during the height of the Cold War, Roemer pointed out.  As a result, it built multiple secret bunkers and communications sites around Washington, D.C., to connect and house all branches of the government in the event of a nuclear attack. Where these bunkers were located and what their purposes were will surprise many listeners.

The presentation is one of a series the historical society is presenting in 2014. It is free to the general public, although goodwill offerings are appreciated. It will be held at 7:00 p.m., Monday, Jan. 27, at the society’s museum at 210 Depot Street in Iola. Prior to the presentation, there is a regular monthly historical society membership meeting, starting at 6:30 p.m.

For more information on the Iola Historical Society, visit its webpage at www.iolahistoricalsociety.org.

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