

**Wisconsin Council for Local History and Wisconsin Historical Society  
Southwest Regional Meeting**

**Monday, August 18, 2014**

**Hosted by the La Crosse County Historical Society  
At the La Crosse Public Library, 800 Main Street  
La Crosse, WI**

- 9:00–9:30 am      **Registration and Refreshments**  
The Public Library opens at 9 am. Meeting will be held in the Auditorium.
- 9:30–9:45 am      **Welcome and Introductions**
- 9:45–11:00 am    **Understanding your Collection Preservation Needs: Intro to a Preservation Self-Assessment Tool**  
**Janet Seymour, Field Services Representative, Wisconsin Historical Society**  
Collection preservation is important to all cultural institutions. But trying to get a handle on your preservation needs can be overwhelming. This presentation will introduce you to the newly-created Wisconsin *Connecting to Collections* preservation self-assessment tool. This tool will guide you in determining what your most critical preservation needs are, and how to do what you can to make improvements and get funding. It is meant for institutions to use at their own pace and covers libraries, museums and archives.
- 11:00–11:15 am    **Break**
- 11:15–12:00 pm   **Wisconsin History Tour: La Crosse**  
Janet Seymour will share information about the Wisconsin History Tour's upcoming stop in La Crosse in November 2014. We'll discuss the exhibit and programming, as well as how local societies in the region will be involved through the PastPort program. Bring your ideas to this important planning session!
- 12:00–1:00 pm    **Lunch and Discussion**  
As you enjoy your lunch, join in a discussion of how to carry out the preservation self-assessment tool presented in the earlier presentation. You will be able to ask questions and network with other attendees to prioritize and find local solutions for preservation needs.
- 1:00–1:30 pm      **Wisconsin Council for Local History Business Meeting**
- 1:30–2:30 pm      **Regional Roundtable**
- 2:30–3:30 pm      Optional tour of the historic Hixon House (\$4 per person)

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**Cost:** \$20.00

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, August 11th

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