

## About The Original Owners

### Stephen F. Mayer

Stephen graduated from Notre Dame with a business degree in 1870. His many accolades include: President of the West Bend Brewing Company (1871), first Ward Supervisor of Washington County (1892), County Treasurer (1894), elected State Senator (1894), began the West Bend Mutual Insurance Company (1895), first President of West Bend Malting Company (1911), Director and first president of the West Bend Aluminum Company (1911), and President of the First State Bank (1920). Stephen F. Mayer was also credited with financing the establishment of the first West Bend Library in 1901.

### Isadora (Rick) Mayer

Isadora was a very active member of the socialites in West Bend and Milwaukee. Guests at Stephen and Isadora's wedding included the prominent Mr. & Mrs. John Schlitz of Milwaukee. She loved to entertain in her home and hosted many parties including an annual birthday party for Stephen. She held the West Bend Women's Club meetings here and hosted "wis" card games and sewing gatherings. Isadora was beautiful as a young woman and was very meticulous in her appearance and manner. It was reported that it took her several hours to get ready for any event and even though she and Stephen never had children, they employed several housekeepers. Stephen and Isadora traveled extensively and attended the World's Fair in 1893, held in Chicago.



## About West Bend

West Bend has an abundance of things to see and do throughout the year. **Regner Park** is just a few blocks away and hosts a variety of events including concerts, duck races, swimming, and ice skating. Trek the scenic **Ice-Age Trail** (30 mi.), bike the newly completed **Eisenbahn State Trail** (21.6 mi.), and ski **Sunburst**. A most unique downtown area close by hosts our own river walk and a summer farmer's market on Saturday mornings. There are unique gift shops, restaurants, museums and an old-fashioned candy shop. **German Fest** and **Jazz Fest** are two of the many annual area festivals. Contact the **Washington County Visitor's and Convention Bureau** for dates and details for events at the county fair grounds. Visit the old **Washington County Courthouse** designed in a Romanesque style built in 1889. It now houses the **Washington County Museum** and Historical Society. The **Washington County Jail** across the street was built in 1886. Both are open for tours.

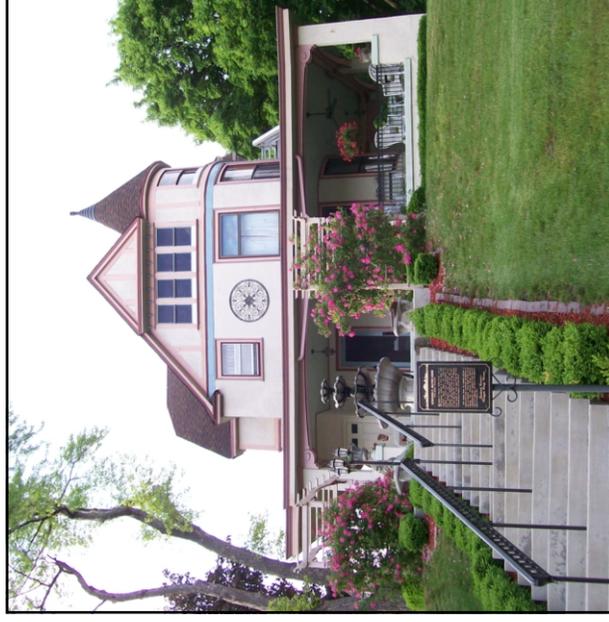
**Isadora Pick Mayer's** uncle was **Carl Van Marr**, whose paintings won him a seat in the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in both Berlin and Munich. The **Museum of Wisconsin Art**, here in West Bend was built with the intention of providing a home for several of Carl's master works. He won countless gold medals in exhibitions all over the world and was knighted in Bavaria and Italy. His works can be viewed in many museums including the Metropolitan Museum in New York. "What a proud day it was when the **Flagellants** won first prize at the World's Fair in St. Louis (1904) and came into the possession of the Museum of Wisconsin Art in 1975" (Spirit of West Bend, 1980). This 14x24 foot painting proudly occupies an entire wall at the gallery and is it's most prized possession. The **Art Museum** is a must see while staying here.

In surrounding Washington County, you will find two state parks, and many country/city parks. Amongst them are, **Holy Hill National Shrine**, **Lizard Mound Park**, the Northern Moraine State Forest, and the Riveredge Nature Center.

\* 13 miles to **Cabela's "World's Foremost Outfitter"**  
\* 15 miles to **Historic Cedarburg**  
\* 20 miles to **Port Washington & Lake Michigan**  
\* 25 miles to **Milwaukee**  
\* 60 miles to **Oshkosh**  
\* 90 miles to **Green Bay**  
\* 150 miles to scenic **Door County**  
\* 115 miles to **Chicago**

# Isadora's Bed & Breakfast

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## About Today...

After Stephen's death in 1935, the home was made into four apartments. In the 1970's, the work of restoring the home back to a single dwelling began. The current owners, Darrell and Deborah Ziebarth, bought the house in 1999 and have continued to lovingly restore it (with a myriad of helpers). The interior/exterior has been replicated to the years of Stephen and Isadora's life in the home (1893-1935). "The intention has always been to restore the home and open it to the public as *Isadora's Bed & Breakfast*." After many years of meticulous restoration that included replacing/updating the plumbing, electric, furnaces, original grand staircase, and original roof, the 4,600 sq. ft. home is ready to be enjoyed by all. The home has six bedrooms, six bathrooms, and beautiful public parlors displaying a collection of vintage wedding dresses and paintings. Come visit, step back in time!

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For Reservations Call:

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Or

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## Policies & Procedures

**Check-in:** 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

(Or prearranged time)

**Check-out:** 11:00 am

**Full Breakfast:** 8:00 am (Or prearranged time)

Served in the formal dining room.

**Coffee:** Available in dining room 7am-9am.

**Dessert:** Available in dining room nightly.

**Reservations:** Confirmed with a deposit of a one night stay rate. Deposits can be made by most major credit cards.

**Cancellations:** If cancellation is necessary, your deposit will be refunded in full if we can re-book the room or with a 10 day advance notice.

- Sorry....Accommodations not suited for:
- Children
  - Smoking, (except outside in yard)
  - Pets (Inquire about nearby pet care facilities)
- \*Dachshund (Abbey) in private residence

## About the Rooms...

All rooms have:

- \* Central Air \* Flat screen LCD TV/DVD
- \* Free high speed wireless Internet

### Isadora's Arbor Rose

Atop the grand staircase, lose yourself amidst the ambience of grand Victorian living surrounded by pink silks, satin, and lace. The furniture pieces are all beautiful antiques. Your restful slumber will be in a queen-size bed fitted with sultry Egyptian linens. The private attached bathroom has a whirlpool tub/handheld shower combo and boasts the original marble counter cherub sink.

**\$119 + Tax**

### Country Rose

A unique expression of tailored fabrics surrounds this room with a sunny disposition. The golden oak antique queen-size bed is equipped with a sidestep. French doors open to a small porch with a bird's eye view of the East yard filled with giant maple trees. An armoire hides the TV/DVD and a handsome collection of Indian baskets. Come spin a memory with a vintage spinner's wheel! The unattached private bathroom is right next door and has a unique claw-foot tub and tiled shower. Robes are provided during your stay.

**\$99 + Tax**

### The Sunroom Garden Suite

The early Americana flavor of the bedroom and bathroom provide the entry to a divine linear four seasons sunroom. The room has a comfy overstuffed chair/ottoman and vintage wicker furniture. Enjoy the collection of watercolors by Wisconsin artisan *Dorothy Reimer*. Grab a good book and escape for the day. This is a perfect setting for the writer or dreamer. The antique full-sized sleigh bed has a pillow top mattress and the attached private bathroom is equipped with a full-size shower.

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### The French Nook

This cozy nook will remind you of the French countryside. It is located on the third floor of the home. It is filled with antique furniture, classic literature, and English teacups. The bed is full-size and white European linens abound. The unattached private bathroom is right next door and has a tub/shower.

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