ne of twelve historic sites and museums owned by the Wisconsin Historical Society, Wade House Historic Site is located just off Highway 23, halfway between Sheboygan and Fond du Lac. Set upon 240 rolling acres within the northern reaches of the Kettle Moraine State Forest, the site celebrates the world of plank road stagecoach travel, horse-drawn transportation, and mid-19th-century settlement and town building.

The new Wade House Visitor Center and Wesley W. Jung Carriage Museum provides orientation to the site and its themes. The wonder of Wisconsin's largest collection of carriages and wagons awaits each visitor to the state-of-the-art 20,000 squarefoot carriage museum.

Visit Wade House's historic area to explore the era of stagecoach travel. Tour a stately 27-room stagecoach hotel, water-powered sawmill and blacksmith's workshop, as well as take an old-fashioned horse-drawn wagon ride.



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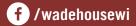
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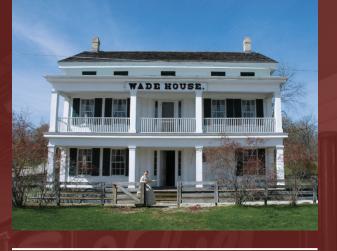
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#### HOURS

#### **VISITOR CENTER & WESLEY W. JUNG CARRIAGE MUSEUM**

Open year-round. Main Season (mid May – Oct. 30) Mon - Sat: 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: 11 AM - 5 PM Winter Season (Oct. 31 – mid May)

Mon - Sat: 10 AM - 4 PM | Sun: 11 AM - 4 PM

Open daily | 11 AM — 3 PM BUTTERNUT Enjoy a wide selection of food.

HISTORIC | STAGECOACH HOTEL, AREA | BLACKSMITH SHOP & SAWMILL

May 14 – October 30, 2016

Mon - Sat: 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: 11 AM - 5 PM

#### **ADMISSION**

#### MAIN SEASON (MAY 14 - OCT. 30)

Adults -\$11

**Seniors (65+) & Students (valid ID)** – \$9.25

**Children (5-17 years)** – \$5.50

Children Under 5 – FREE

Family (2 adults & children through age 17) – \$30

Horse-drawn wagon rides are included with admission during the main season

#### WINTER SEASON (OCT. 31 – MID MAY)

Adults: \$7 | Seniors (65+) & Students (valid ID): \$6 Children (5-17 years): \$3.50 | Children Under 5: FREE Family (2 adults & children through age 17): \$19





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## **SLEIGH RIDES** | WEEKENDS IN JAN. & FEB. WEEKENDS | EXCEPT FEB. 27-28, 2016

Enjoy a trip through the beautiful Wade House countryside on a horse-drawn sleigh. After your ride, sip warm cider and tour our collection of historic sleighs, bob sleds, cutters and toboggans.

FREE with admission to museum.

## **HEARTHSIDE** | JAN. 23, FEB. 13, MAR. 19, DINNERS | APR. 16, NOV. 5 & 12

Enjoy a delicious hearth-cooked meal, prepared with your own hands, in the historic Wade House stagecoach hotel! Guests prepare 19th-century dishes on a wood-burning stove and over an open-hearth fire just as Mrs. Wade did more than 150 years ago.

Limited seating; reservations required. \$55 per person. Private Hearthside Dinners for groups of 10-20 may also be arranged.

## **GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!**FEB. 20

Celebrate our first president's birthday at Wade House stagecoach hotel with patriotic music, 19th century dancing, Washington cake and much more.

#### THE MAKING OF A SLED DOG | FEB. 27

Enjoy a day of entertainment put on by teams of sled dogs and our friends at Door County Sled Dogs. Guests will learn about the care and handling of the rescue dogs, and for an additional cost, registered guests will be able to take a ride on an authentic freight sled pulled by these beautiful animals.

## PLOWING, PLANTING & PLAY MAY 14 & 15

Join us for some spring fun as we celebrate the opening of Wade House grounds for summer. Watch historic horse-drawn plowing demonstrations, enjoy food from Wade House kitchens, and help shear our Merino-Cotswold sheep.



#### HISTORIC BASE BALL

MAY 15, JUNE 12, JULY 24, AUG. 14 | 1:30 PM Join the Wade House Red Jackets historic base ball team in a rousing pick-up game. You'll be amazed by the rules that guided the 1860s teams. Everyone can participate.

#### **BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW**

JUNE 4 & 5 | 2 PM daily show

A local favorite returns to Wade House bringing the thrill and excitement of fast horses, trick riding and fancy shooting.

#### DAIRY DAYS | JUNE 25 & 26

Celebrate Dairy Month and Wisconsin's dairy heritage by taking part in cheese, butter and ice cream making in the fashion of the 1860s.

#### FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION | JULY 4

Celebrate the nation's birth as the Wade family did in the 1860s with a reading of the Declaration of Independence, firing in salute of liberty, infantry drills, and ice cream churning (and sampling).

#### **BREAKFAST AT THE INN**

JULY 9, AUG. 20 & OCT. 22

Help prepare an 1860s breakfast in the Wade House kitchens, working at the open hearth or period cookstove.

Limited seating; reservations required. \$45 per person.

#### GINGER BEER | JULY 23 & 24

Our interpreters will reveal the secrets of brewing with the ginger root and offer you samples of their craft. Take home a recipe to try yourself!

#### JAMS & JELLIES | AUG. 6 & 7

Lend a hand to help create and taste flavorful jams and jellies.

#### WADE HOUSE CARRIAGE DRIVING DAYS

AUG. 20 & 21

Discover the carriagedriving style of bygone days. See drivers and their horse-drawn vehicles compete in a turnout inspection, country drive and cones course.



## **56TH ANNUAL ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR** AUG. 28

Artisans and craftspeople from Wisconsin and across the Midwest display and sell their wares.

Special \$5 admission includes Fair and entire site! Children ages 17 and under are FREE. Stagecoach rides available.

## **26TH ANNUAL CIVIL WAR WEEKEND** SEPT. 24 & 25

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The American Civil War is brought to life with battle re-enactments, military drills, medical care situations, period music and food, demonstrations, educational presentations and more.

Special pricing includes entire site: Adults \$14; Students (with ID) and Seniors (65+) \$12; Children (5-17) \$7; Family Rate \$38.

#### AUTUMN CELEBRATION WEEKENDS

OCT. 8-9 & 15-16

Enjoy fall color on a horse-drawn wagon ride. Guests will be able to carve pumpkins and turnips, play games and listen to fun stories.



#### A WADE HOUSE CHRISTMAS

DEC. 3-4 & 10-11

Experience the magic of mid-19th-century Christmas celebration, including rooms bedecked with fresh evergreen garlands, period crafts and games for young and old, stories from yesteryear and horse-drawn wagon rides.



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