WELCOME TO

THE CORNERS' SCHOOL at NEVA

Located 6 miles north of Antigo
off Highway 45 at the junction
Of Cty. A and Cty. B

Visitation Hours

12pm to 4pm

Saturday and Sunday

Of

Memorial Day Weekend

4th of July Weekend

Labor Day Weekend

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The first frame schoolhouse in the town of Neva was built in 1883 at the junction of what is now CTY. A and Church Road. It was built by the settlers themselves. It was constructed of lumber sawed from the logs cut from the site of the school. It was a one room school with three windows on each side, a single door in the south end.

Two years later an addition was built on. This new section added two windows on each side, a small cloak room and double doors a the entrance. The structure then measured 18.5' X 42.7' and is of 2 X 4 construction, 16' on center, square nails and 5" drop siding. The interior was hardwood flooring, wainscoating around the base of the walls and plastered walls to the ceiling.

At times the attendance of this little school was up to 90 children. Sara Leslie was the first teacher. The building was in use until a state graded school was built and it is still standing.

April 16, 1976, Mr. Allen Pope visited the old school as a procurator for Old World Wisconsin. He was in hopes that the old school would be restored at Old World Wisconsin to bring it back to the restored look in the 1880's and could put the old school at their European Cross Roads (as it is at Neva Corner).

However, it was decided by the board of Old World Wisconsin, that the expenses would out weight the value.

This old school is the oldest still standing in Langlade County. In 1979 a project was begun by the Old School Restoration Committee to restore and refurnish the old school.

Restoration was completed and was dedicated in July of 1983 when the Town of Neva celebrated with a two day celebration. The Old School Restoration Committee sponsored the event with the printing of a booklet containing the histories of clubs, groups, churches, schools and the town. A parade was held, ethnic foods served, crafts booths, a historic display of old pictures, family histories and antique machines.

We hope you will enjoy your visit to the Old Corners School at Neva Corners.

The Old School Restoration Committee