

My country life on Old Stage Rd. located about 0.5 mile from Graves Cemetery was severely interrupted during 2020 – the first year of the COVID pandemic. I was equipped with a work laptop computer that allowed me the flexibility to complete job assignments from my *usually* quiet and comfortable home. What I experienced while working from home during 2020 was anything but quiet.

At around 6:00 am large dump trucks filled with gravel or sand or empty (if coming back to the quarry) start moving East and West along Old Stage Rd. These trucks cannot travel on Union Rd. to get to the Northwest Quarry because the bridge on that road is not weight limited to handle a full dump truck. Traffic must progress down Old Stage Rd., Center Rd., or Kegonsa Rd. to further get to County A or to Route 14 or Route 138. During 2020 - 21 we counted 60 trucks an hour during days of heavy operations. This accounts for FULL and EMPTY trucks crossing in front of my property. Posted speed limit on Old Stage is set to 45 mph, but many of the trucks do not honor that posting – FULL or EMPTY.

Besides increased sound levels of trucks moving at highway speeds I also experienced the results of blast waves that shake my house to the point where my dishes rattle in my kitchen cupboards. I am not an adjacent property to the Center Rd Quarry; therefore I do not get notified of the impending blast times. Since I have now been home when these blasts occur, we now check our basement and foundation often for new cracks.

We originally settled in Rutland because of the serene country ambiance, and it is a convenient drive for both of our away from home work facilities. At the year we moved in, the Center Rd quarry was a serene pond.



Present Google Maps available picture of Both quarry sites. The arial view of the original pit is now far from serene. Equipment can be seen at the site. There is also a site started at the western corner of the new proposed area where

sand was removed and other materials have been loaded back into the excavated portion. This sand was used for a nearby recent construction at Route 92 and Route 14 and Bigelow Rd.

I have included in this document pictures of other nearby historic structures that were built by Sereno Graves – one of the founders of Historic Rutland. These include the Sereno Graves House adjacent to the Graves Cemetery (East of my property), the Lockwood Barn (located just West of my property) and the Samuel Hunt House located on Center Rd. This block containing the Lockwood Barn, the Graves House and Cemetery is the epicenter of the beginnings of Rutland and one of the earliest settlements in Wisconsin. The cemetery is often visited and I cringe to think that future visits will be accompanied by the constant click-clack sounds of rock crushing, occasional blasting and continuous major truck traffic.

Consider an alternate way to add value to this field – it could be developed as a field for pollinators such as bees and bumble bees. If the field had native plant or crops/trees that supported pollinators there could possibly be the following economic benefit:

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/jun/17/bees-are-worth-billions-to-farmers-across-the-globe-study-suggests>

\$3251 per hectare per year, or \$1316 per acre per year. Multiplied by 35 acres = \$ 46,060 per year.

A field of pollinators could be incorporated into a Rutland proposal to keep this area as a historically preserved site.

As a nearby landowner, I would much rather see this outcome than a 35 acre empty space that Dane County would surely ear-mark as a future Land Fill Site – that would make the truck traffic even worse!

Sereno W. Graves

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Sereno W. Graves (October 11, 1810 – February 13, 1899) was a member of the [Wisconsin State Assembly](#).

Graves was born in [Berkshire, Vermont](#).^{[1][2][3]} He was a colonel in the Vermont state militia in 1836.^[1] He married Malindy Blakerly in 1841; she died the same year.^[1] He married Melvina Dennison in 1843.^[1] He moved to [Rutland, Wisconsin](#), in 1844.^{[1][2][4]} He and his second wife had a son before her death in 1845. In 1846, Graves married Mary R. Dudley.^[1] They had five children.^[1] He was a [Baptist](#). He died in [Evansville, Wisconsin](#) in 1899.^{[1][2]}

His former home, now known as the [Sereno W. Graves House](#), is listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#). The [Samuel Hunt House](#), the [Daniel Pond Farmhouse](#) and the [Lockwood Barn](#), all of which Graves also designed, are also listed.

Career [edit]

Graves was a member of the Assembly in 1861 and a candidate for the [Wisconsin State Senate](#) in 1875.^[1] In addition, he was Clerk and Assessor of Rutland, Surveyor of [Dane County, Wisconsin](#) and a justice of the peace.^[1] He was a [Republican](#).



The PDF file for this National Register record has not yet been digitized.



Title:	Graves, Sereno W., House
National Register Information System ID:	82000651
Multiple Listing:	Graves Stone Buildings TR
Applicable Criteria:	ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING PERSON
Architectural Styles:	GREEK REVIVAL
Architects:	Graves,Sereno W.
Areas Of Significance:	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT ARCHITECTURE
Periods Of Significance:	1850-1874 1825-1849
Significant Years:	1845 1846
Significant Names:	Graves,Sereno W.
Resource Type:	BUILDING
Related Collections:	National Register of Historic Places Collection
Resource Format:	pdf
File Size (bytes):	22151
Date Published:	9/29/1982
Parks:	National Register of Historic Places
Locations:	State: Wisconsin County: Dane County Rutland ; 4006 Old Stage Rd.
Rating:	
Categories:	Historic
Asset ID:	88c8b939-b112-4a2e-a0d5-783088d00af4

National Register of Historic Places listings in Dane County, Wisconsin

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

This is a list of the **National Register of Historic Places listings in Dane County, Wisconsin**. It aims to provide a comprehensive listing of **buildings, sites, structures, districts, and objects** in **Dane County, Wisconsin** listed on the **National Register of Historic Places**.

The locations of National Register properties for which the latitude and longitude coordinates are included below may be seen in a map.^[1]


There are 245 properties and districts listed on the National Register in Dane County, including 10 **National Historic Landmarks**. 149 of these properties and districts, including 8 of the National Historic Landmarks, are located in the **city of Madison**; these are **listed separately**, while the remaining 96 properties and districts are listed below. An additional site was once listed on the National Register but has been removed.

This National Park Service list is complete through NPS recent listings posted March 6, 2020.^[2]



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29	Serenio W. Graves House		September 29, 1982 (#82000651)	4006 Old Stage Rd. 42°51'49"N 89°18'50"W	Rutland	Greek Revival-styled house with limestone walls built by Vermont-native Graves in 1845 for his own family. Graves was later a state legislator.
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Serenio W. Graves House

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 42°51'49"N 89°18'50"W

For the house in North Carolina, see Graves House.

The **Serenio W. Graves House** is located in [Rutland, Wisconsin](#).^[2]

History [edit]

[Serenio W. Graves](#) would become a member of the [Wisconsin State Assembly](#). The house was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#) in 1982 and on the [State Register of Historic Places](#) in 1989.

Graves also designed the [Samuel Hunt House](#) and the [Lockwood Barn](#) in [Rutland](#), which are also listed on both registers.

References [edit]

- ↑ "National Register Information System". *National Register of Historic Places*. National Park Service. November 2, 2013.
- ↑ "4006 OLD STAGE RD". Wisconsin Historical Society. Retrieved 2018-07-02.

Serenio W. Graves House
U.S. National Register of Historic Places



Serenio W. Graves House

Location 4006 Old Stage Rd.,
Rutland, Wisconsin

Coordinates 42°51'49"N
89°18'50"W

Area less than one acre

Built 1845

Architect Serenio W. Graves

Architectural style Greek Revival

MPS Graves Stone
Buildings TR 

NRHP reference # 82000651 ^[1]

Added to NRHP September 29, 1982

Samuel Hunt House

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 42°52′51″N 89°18′35″W﻿ / ﻿﻿ / ﻿

For others of a similar name, see Hunt House.

The **Samuel Hunt House** is located in [Rutland, Wisconsin](#).^[2]

History [edit]

The house was designed by [Sereno W. Graves](#), later a member of the [Wisconsin State Assembly](#). It was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#) in 1982 and on the State Register of Historic Places in 1989.

Other designs by Graves in Rutland, the [Sereno W. Graves House](#), the [Daniel Pond Farmhouse](#) and the [Lockwood Barn](#), are also listed on both registers.

References [edit]

- ↑ "National Register Information System". *National Register of Historic Places*. National Park Service. November 2, 2013.
- ↑ "632 Center Rd". Wisconsin Historical Society. Retrieved 2018-07-08.

Samuel Hunt House	
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 <div>Samuel Hunt House</div>	
Location	632 Center Rd., Rutland, Wisconsin
Coordinates	42°52′51″N 89°18′35″W﻿ / ﻿﻿ / ﻿
Area	less than one acre
Built	1855
Architect	Sereno W. Graves
Architectural style	Greek Revival, Italianate
MPS	Graves Stone Buildings TR
NRHP reference #	82000652 ^[1]
Added to NRHP	September 30, 1982

Lockwood Barn

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 42°51′54″N 89°19′22″W﻿ / ﻿﻿ / ﻿

The **Lockwood Barn** is located in [Rutland, Wisconsin](#).^[2]

History [edit]

The barn was designed by [Sereno W. Graves](#), who later became a member of the [Wisconsin State Assembly](#). Graves also designed the [Samuel Hunt House](#) and the [Daniel Pond Farmhouse](#), along with designing and residing in the [Sereno W. Graves House](#), which are also located in Rutland. The barn was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#) in 1982 and on the State Register of Historic Places in 1989.

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- ↑ "National Register Information System". *National Register of Historic Places*. National Park Service. November 2, 2013.
- ↑ "N SIDE OF OLD STAGE RD, .7 M W OF CENTER RD". Wisconsin Historical Society. Retrieved 2018-07-02.

Lockwood Barn	
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Area	less than one acre
Built	1855
Architect	Sereno W. Graves
MPS	Graves Stone Buildings TR
NRHP reference #	82000653 ^[1]
Added to NRHP	September 29, 1982

Daniel Pond Farmhouse

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 42°50′58″N 89°20′02″W﻿ / ﻿42.84944°N 89.33417°W﻿ / 42.84944; -89.33417

For the location in California, see [Pond Farm](#).

The **Daniel Pond Farmhouse**, also known as **Eggleston Farm**, is a limestone-walled home built in [Rutland, Wisconsin](#) in the 1840s. In 1980 the house was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#).^[2]

History [edit]

The first permanent settlers in what would become the town of Rutland arrived in the summer of 1842, and staked claims near the [Janesville](#) and [Madison Road](#) - now [US-14](#). They were the Dejeans, the Prentises, and Daniel Pond. This area lacked large natural water sources, so land speculators bypassed it, and the land was affordable to farmers without a lot of capital. Daniel was from [Vermont](#) and enough neighbors who followed were from the same state that the neighborhood came to be called the *Vermont settlement*. The farmers in the area quickly found [wheat](#) to be a practical, profitable cash crop.^[3]

Pond probably had the 1.5-story section of the house built some time between 1844 and 1850 - probably designed by [Sereno W. Graves](#), who farmed only a mile away and later became a member of the [Wisconsin State Assembly](#). The walls are coursed small pieces of limestone, with the corner quoins larger blocks of dressed stone. A frieze board at the top of the walls leads to a moderately-pitched roof. The windows have wooden [sills](#) and lintels. Two one-story wings of similar stonework extend from the main block.^[3]

The house was home to Pond, his wife, and two children. Also on the farm lived his widowed mother-in-law, Temperance Munger with her son and daughter, and a single man, Stewart Shampmore.^[3]

By 1850 the Pond farm was prospering, worth about \$2,000. That year the Ponds harvested 400 bushels of wheat, 150 bushels of corn, 500 bushels of oats, 150 bushels of potatoes, and 10 bushels of barley. Their sixty sheep produced 300 pounds of wool, and their five cows produced 100 pounds of cheese and 600 pounds of butter.^[3]

In 1854, James P. Kniffin and his family bought the farm. They continued to farm, adding 60 swine to the herd. In 1870 James retired, deeding the land to his son Lloyd. In 1874 John and Thomas Alsop bought the farm, and in 1893 the Petersons bought it.^[3]

Charles Peterson was born in [Maribo, Denmark](#) in 1861 and immigrated to America and Rutland with his family in 1869. He worked as farm labor, saving money, and in 1883 married Katie Hansen, another immigrant from Denmark. In 1889 they were able to buy 80 acres. Four years later he sold that farm to buy the 193-acre Pond farm. By 1906 the Petersons had added 160 acres to the farm. They grew nine acres of [tobacco](#), 100 acres of corn, 50 acres of oats, and 25 of hay. Over the years the Petersons had ten children. Charles died in 1915 and Katie in 1930, but Petersons stayed on the farm until 1944.^[3]

The house was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#) in 1980 and on the State Register of Historic Places in 1989.^[2] It is significant as part of an unusual cluster of stone buildings, including the [Sereno W. Graves House](#), the [Samuel Hunt House](#) and the [Lockwood Barn](#). The farm also exemplifies a typical pattern for the area, with its early settlement by Yankees who grew wheat, followed by Scandinavian immigrants in the late 1800s.^[3]

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- ↑ "National Register Information System". *National Register of Historic Places*. National Park Service. November 2, 2013.
- ↑ ^{*a*} ^{*b*} "76 US Highway 14". Wisconsin Historical Society. Retrieved 2018-07-11.
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Daniel Pond Farmhouse	
U.S. National Register of Historic Places	
	
Daniel Pond Farmhouse	
Location	76 US Hwy 14 Rutland, Wisconsin
Coordinates	42°50′58″N 89°20′02″W﻿ / ﻿42.84944°N 89.33417°W﻿ / 42.84944; -89.33417
Area	less than one acre
Built	1850
Architect	Sereno W. Graves
NRHP reference #	80000128 ^[1]
Added to NRHP	June 30, 1980