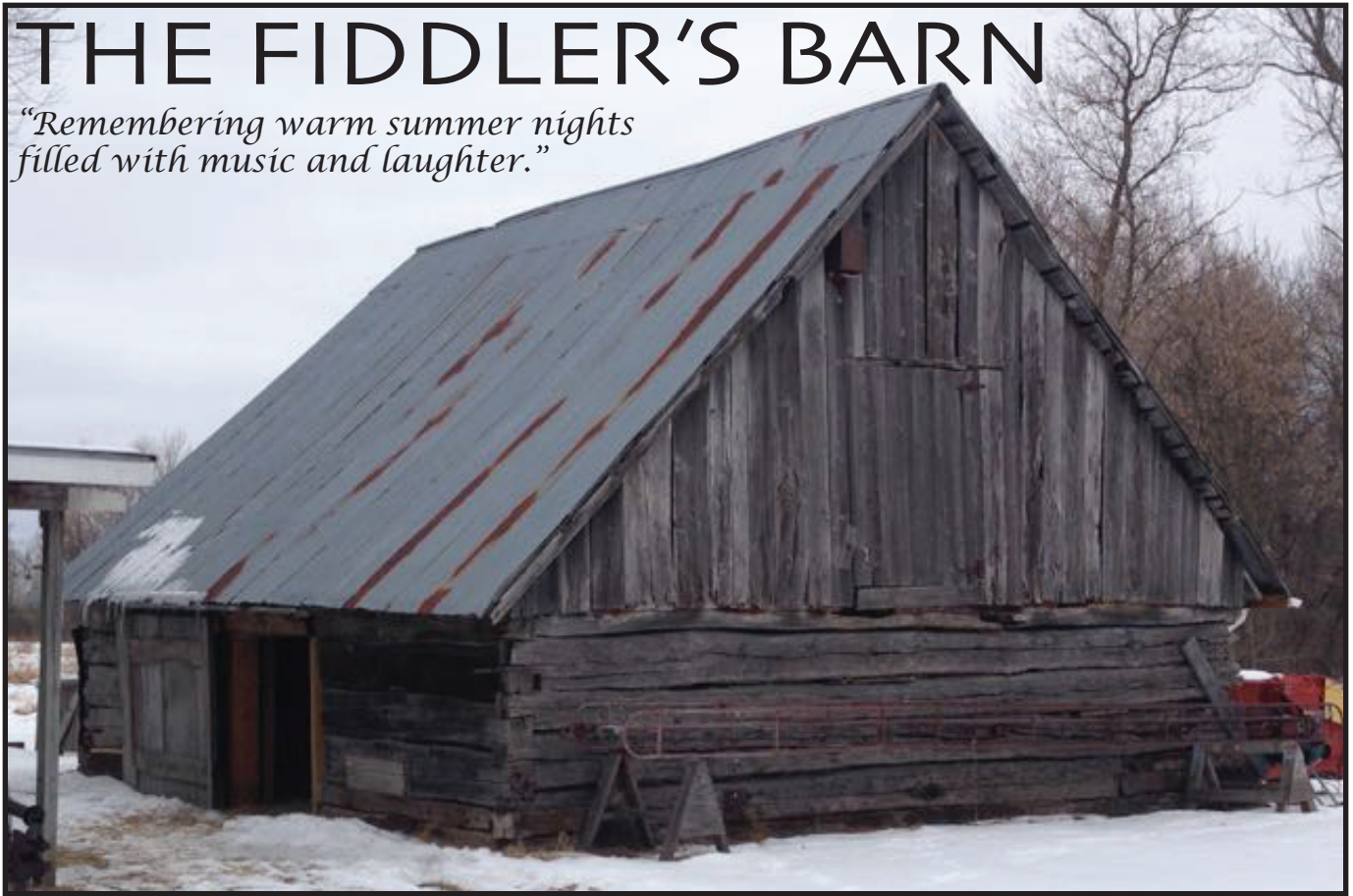


# THE FIDDLER'S BARN

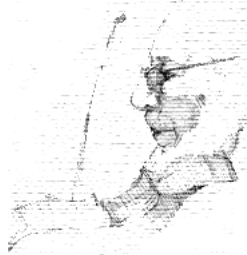
*"Remembering warm summer nights filled with music and laughter."*



Shortly after Stan and Judy Peterson moved to their farm in the mid-1980s, an older gentleman visited.

He introduced himself, telling them that he had grown up on this farm. Asking if he could visit occasionally to reminisce his youth, he was told he would always be welcome.

For the next several years, he occasionally stopped by, taking an old fiddle from its case. In the shadow of the old barn he would play and sing the songs of his youth, remembering warm summer nights filled with music and laughter.



## Area Event Timeline

**1819** - Fort Snelling established

**1820's** - Trail established between Stillwater and St. Paul

**1846** - Road between Stillwater and St. Paul opened.

**1847** - Oakdale Township surveyed and platted by Isaac Higby.

**1848** - Stillwater public meeting to convene territorial convention.

**1848** - Territorial Convention in Stillwater. Will become known as the "Birthplace of Minnesota".

**1848** - Washington County established as one of nine original counties.

**1849** - Minnesota Territory Created

**1849** - Stillwater is surveyed and platted by Harvey Wilson.

**1852** - Stillwater and St. Paul incorporated as cities in Minnesota Territory.

**1858** - Minnesota granted statehood

**1858** - Oakdale Township organized at Lake House Hotel near Sunfish Lake.

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### **1860 - Barn built**

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**1862** - Dakota War / Sioux Uprising

**1872** - Railroad reaches Minnesota from Chicago

**1876** - First Stillwater Bridge spans the St. Croix River at Stillwater opens.

**1926** - Lake Elmo separates from Oakdale



EAST SIDE







NORTH SIDE





SOUTH SIDE



WEST SIDE



INSIDE

