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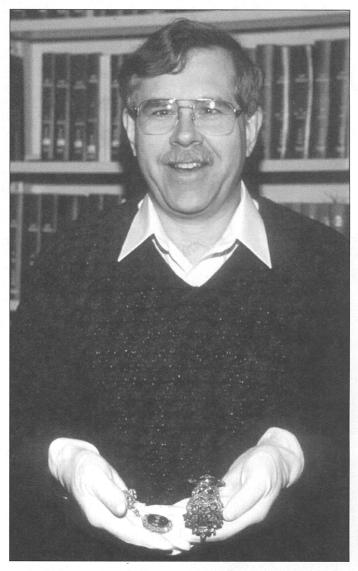
Mark your calendar now for this special Historical Society annual meeting Sesquicentennial event featuring Dr. Jeffrey E. Post, a native of Mt. Horeb who will be returning to the area from his position at the Smithsonian Institution to give a personal look at the nation's premier museum.

Dr. Post grew up in Mt. Horeb and graduated from Mt. Horeb High School in 1972. He credits his schooling and local 4-H activities as factors aiding his childhood interest in fossils, rocks and gems.

Dr. Post received Bachelor of Science degrees in geology and chemistry from the University of Wisconsin – Platteville, and his Ph.D. in chemistry, with a specialty in geochemistry, from Arizona State University. Prior to joining the Department of Mineral Sciences at the Smithsonian Institution in 1984, he was a Postdoctoral Research Fellow for three years in the Department of Geological Sciences at Harvard University. From 1989 to 1994, he was Chairman of the Department of Mineral Sciences, and since 1991 has served as Curator of the U.S. National Gem and Mineral Collection. Dr. Post served as the lead Curator of the Janet Annenberg Hooker Hall of Geology, Gems and Minerals that opened in 1997.

Dr. Post's areas of research interest include mineralogy, gemology, geochemistry, crystallography, and electron microscopy. He has published numerous scientific articles in these fields.

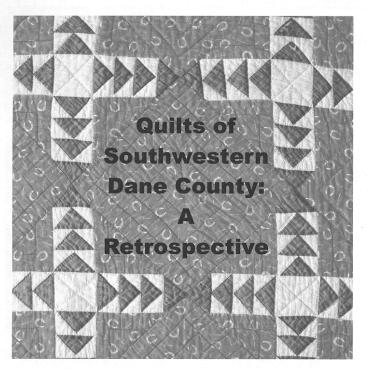
Dr. Post is married and has two daughters, ages 19 and 13.



Dr. Jeff Post holding the famous Hope Diamond and Dresden Green Diamond, which are under his care at the Smithsonian Institution's Natural History Museum.

Mt. Horeb Area Historical Society Annual Meeting
A Special Sesquicentennial Event
Sunday, Oct. 9, 1 p.m.
Mt. Horeb Community Center, 105 N. Grove St.
Public Invited

The Mount Horeb Area Historical Society



Flying Geese quilt by Eli Haadem 1916-1920

Retro Quilt Show

Be sure to visit the Mt. Horeb Area Museum on Friday, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1-2 for a special antique quilt show. Along with our current quilt exhibit in the Centennial Gallery, "Stories in Stitches, Quilts of Southwestern Dane County," additional quilts from the Society's holdings will be exhibited throughout the galleries of the Museum for this special weekend event.

Most of the beautiful bed coverings in this show have never been exhibited before and all have a connection to southwestern Dane County. There will be a general admission of \$2 per person during this event. The museum will be open from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on all three days.

This event is held in conjunction with Mt. Horeb's Fall Heritage Festival and we encourage you to take in the contemporary quilt show at the Mt. Horeb Community Center, 105 N. Grove St., which will also be exhibiting examples of antique quilts.

Annual Meeting: Review of 2011

The 36th annual meeting of the Historical Society will review the Society's activities of 2011 including Mt. Horeb's Sesquicentennial, *Then & Now* book, building fund and updates on the archives and museum. There will also be an announcement of the following changes to the Society's bylaws. Note that these changes apply directly to the Society's dues structure. With rising operational costs and after much deliberation and research, the Board



The Historical Society featured a restored miniature buggy owned by Louis Roedell in the 2011 Frolic Sesquicentennial parade.

of Directors has changed the Society's membership dues to be structured as follows:

\$20 Individual, \$35 Household, \$75 Contributing, \$150 Sustaining, and \$500 Patron. Life memberships prior to the restructuring will remain intact, but no additional Life memberships will be offered. The new dues will be in effect beginning Jan. 1, 2012 and will appear on an updated membership coupon in the newsletter.

The book *Mt. Horeb Area* Then & Now: Celebrating Mt. Horeb's 150th and Southwestern Dane County published by the Historical Society will be available at the meeting for \$45.



There will be treats and social time after the program.

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