HISTORICAL TIDBITS

2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I would like to support the Society's mission to compile and disseminate, collect and preserve, the historical information about the Brown Swiss Cow and her breeders, by becoming a member or making a contribution.

2023 Membership Rates/Options
Individual (one year)10.00
Family, Farm or Business20.00
Designate Voting Member:
Lifetime Member100.00
NAME
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Please make checks payable to the Brown Swiss Historical Society and mail to: Roger R. Neitzel, Brown Swiss Historical Society, 758 Morning Glory, Beloit, WI 53511

PHONE: _____

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1880 - A small group of Brown Swiss breeders from Worcester, Massachusetts, created The Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association of the U.S.A.



Deemed "The Mother of the Brown Swiss Breed," Jane of Vernon lived from 1928 to 1945; 17 years. Most Brown Swiss alive today can be traced back to this magnificent cow.



1936 - The Brown Swiss Association purchased the building at 800 Pleasant Street for \$3500 plus \$28.56 for taxes and \$2 for air and water right of ways.

Brown Swiss Historical Society





Help present-day breeders connect with the past.

Show pride in our breed

Enjoy our unique
Brown Swiss story.

Bringing together the cows, the people, and the events that tell the story of the Brown Swiss cow and her journey from Switzerland to the United States and her history in the U.S.A.

THE BROWN SWISS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEMORIAL GIFTS & DONATIONS

Since 1880, when our Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association was established, there has been a continued effort on the part of the directors and staff to update the history and development of the breed here in the United States.

The Brown Swiss Historical Society (BSHS) was formed to compile previous efforts of history, research breed histories published by others, add new statistics, prepare printed materials to be available to breeders, recognize early pioneer breeders' contributions to the developing dairy industry, develop a storage system for historical documents, information, and artifacts in the office, and explore future possibilities of establishing a museum and educational program for those wishing to access information.

The BSHS recognizes and presents several awards each year, including Master Breeder Awards - both historical and active, and Hall of Fame Awards - both Pioneer and Meritorious Service. To nominate a breeder, send his or her name to Russ Giesy at russ47giesy@yahoo.com or call 352-669-0180 or Dr. Roger Neitzel at rogerrn@aol.com or call 608-365-4474.



These bells now hanging in the national office are from some of the original Burgi Swiss imported into the US.



The first recorded Brown Swiss cattle to be introduced into America were brought in by Henry M. Clark of Belmont, Massachusetts, in the winter of 1869 and 1870. This first importation consisted of one bull and seven pregnant females. The bull, William Tell, is the Number 1 bull listed in the Brown Swiss Record, and the seven females, Zurich, Lucerne, Gretchen, Brinlie, Lissa, Christine, and Geneva, are the first seven females listed therein.

YOUR SUPPORT OF THE BROWN SWISS HISTORICAL SOCIETY CAN AND WILL HELP CONTINUE PRESERVING THE PAST TO ENRICH THE FUTURE!

Membership also includes receiving the BSHS Chronicle, published twice a year.

If you want to multiply your legacy's impact....then come up with a plan for outrageous generosity.... You can start practicing generosity at any time, with any dollar amount. Don't wait until you're on your deathbed to create this legacy. Don't miss out on the opportunity to model this behavior for your children here and now. And since you can't take any of it with you when you go, start planning now for how you want your wealth to be distributed once your time has come. ~ Ramsey Series

Consider the impact of the Historical Society and make your legacy count with a gift or donation now or as a gift or memorial in your will. Help us Preserve the Past and Enrich the Future!

If you would like to make a donation, or honor someone with your gift, please made the check payable to Brown Swiss Historical Society and mail it to the BSHS, c/o Roger Neitzel, 800 Pleasant St., Beloit, WI 53511. If you have questions, please contact Roger at 608.362.8324 or email: rogerm@aol.com.

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Check out the new BSCBA website and our page at: https://www.brownswissusa.com/about-us/bs-historical-society