

# Hustisford Historical Society

Organized in 1971, the Hustisford Historical Society has restored the house which John Hustis built in 1851.

The home was originally at the southwest corner of Memorial Park, facing south. In 1916, it was sold and moved outside of town when the park was donated to the village by Josephine Hustis and Florence Anthony in memory of their parents. In 1974, the Historical Society purchased the House and returned it to its present site.

Since then, the Shoe Shop and the Spinning Wheel Shop have been moved from Lake Street to join the display.

Also located in the park to complete the display is the historical, two-story Bandstand. Built in 1919, this bandstand serves as a fine background for our "Music in the Park" nights, the Memorial Day ceremony, Founder John's Day, and other community events.



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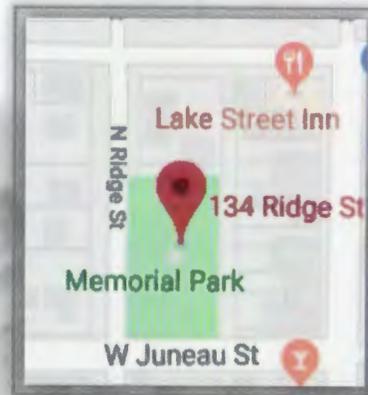
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## The John Hustis House Museum

134 North Ridge Street  
Hustisford, Wisconsin 53034



### House Tours

*are only held by appointment,  
for school visits, and on these special dates:*

#### Memorial Day

*following the ceremonies until noon*

#### Founder John's Day

*Second Saturday in September*

#### Cookie Walk

*Saturday after Thanksgiving*

### Tour Fees

Adult – \$3.00

*(13 years and older)*

Children – Free

*(12 years and younger)*

*must be accompanied by an adult*

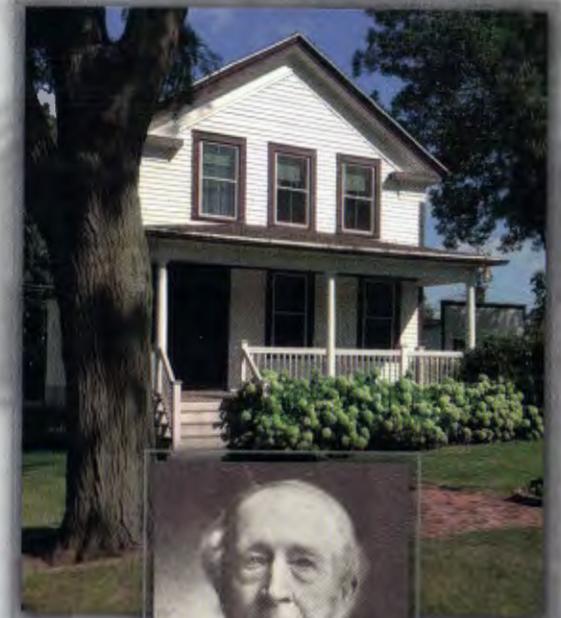
### Annual Membership Fees

Individual – \$10.00

Business – \$25.00

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# THE JOHN HUSTIS HOUSE MUSEUM



*a place of history in*

# HUSTISFORD WISCONSIN

## The Hustis House

John Hustis was born on October 22, 1810 in New York to Irish Farmers. He graduated from Yale College in 1833 with a law degree. In 1851, he built a Greek Revival style home, which remained his residence for most of his life.



The house has been restored by the Hustisford Historical Society. It houses many items which belonged to the Hustis family. It also displays items that represent some of the early years of Hustisford.



## Early Hustisford History

Begin your trip back in time by viewing a video of the early history of Hustisford. You will see how John Hustis was instrumental in the settlement of Hustisford and how he influenced much of the early innovations in the area. You will also learn about this early, vibrant community filled with innovative, hard working people.

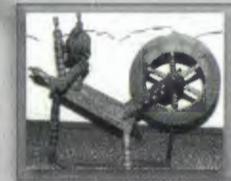


## The Shoe Shop

Built in 1888, the Shoe Shop housed the cobbler business of August Roethke. Wooden shoes made here were worn by many local cheesemakers. The wooden shoes they made gave Hustisford the nickname "Wooden Shoe Town."

## Spinning Wheel Shop (now a Doctor's Office)

Built in 1860, the Spinning Wheel Shop was where Ernest Mechelke manufactured wheels, wagons, and spinning wheels. Spinning wheels were made between 1860 and 1898. See one of these spinning wheels in the John Hustis House.



The building now displays a large collection of doctor supplies belonging to the Historical Society. Dr. Henry Fischer became the first Hustisford doctor. He was later joined by Dr. William Hipke, who went on to become one of the founders of the Marshfield Clinic.



**1810**  
John Hustis born in Phillipstown, NY



**1839**  
John Hustis marries Laura Ludington

**1851**  
John Hustis House is built



**1888**  
Shoe Shop is built on Lake Street



**1916**  
Memorial Park Created & House Move # 1



**1974**  
Historical Society moves the House to current location



**1837**  
Hustis buys 298 acres in the area

**1840 - 1851**  
Five Hustis children are born



**1860**  
Spinning Wheel shop is built on Lake Street



**1907**  
John Hustis dies and is buried in Milwaukee



**1971**  
Historical Society purchases the Hustis House