

Places of Interest

1 **Brewery Ruins**

The first Brewery in Mantorville was built in 1858 on the site that is now occupied by the "Central Block." The building shown was built in 1874 by Charles Ginsburg. In 1878 Charles Ginsburg died and his widow Anna operated the business until 1885 when Mr. Naegeli (a former partner of Ginsburg) repurchased the plant. Though in ruins today, one of the cooling rooms remains virtually intact and many people still remember sipping (or gulping) Mantorville Brew.



2 **Catholic Church**

Built as a church in 1862, it was used as a residence, a hotel and the office of the Mantorville Express Newspaper before being dedicated St. Margaret's in 1920. It is now the home of the Senior Citizen Center.

3 **Little House on the Hill**

This 1856 house has been restored by the careful hands of George and Thrine Bourdon. Now a part of the Dodge County Historical Society Museum Buildings.



Dodge County Historical Society Museum and School

Housed in the former St. John's Episcopal Church built in 1869 from native limestone under the direction of the first pastor, Peter Ruth. The museum is richly stocked with Dodge County's historic memorabilia. Also visit the 1883 one room School House next to the museum. Minimal admission charge. Open May thru October, Tuesday thru Sunday. Tour Groups Welcome – Telephone (507) 635-5508 or write: Dodge County Historical Society, P.O.Box 433, Mantorville, MN 55955.

5 **Dodge County Court House and Annex**

Construction was started in 1865 and completed in 1871 at the cost of \$15,000. It was designed by C. Townshend Mix of Milwaukee and has 40" thick solid limestone walls. It is Minnesota's oldest working court house. The Annex was added on in 1990 to expand the court house to make room for more county and public services. It was built with limestone from Mankato and has a partial skyline roof.

6 **Log Cabin**

Built in the late 1850's. Original log cabin, home of the brewmaster (cooper) who made barrels for the brewery in the basement. Tuenis Slingerland, Sr., owned it for quite awhile. It passed through different hands before being renovated in 1987 by Mantorville Restoration Society.

14 **The Grand Old Mansion**

Formerly the Slingerland home and a bed and breakfast for many years this 100+ year old Victorian home has a lot of history. See the stained glass windows, the hand carved woodwork. It is filled with beautiful antiques and collectibles. The 1855 log house nearby also contains many artifacts and items of unusual interest.

Restaurants

15 **Hubbell House**



A nationally registered historic site. A log hotel built in 1854, it was replaced by a limestone, three-story building in 1856. Now a world famous restaurant, saloon and newly added stage coach stop. Enjoy fine dining amidst an elegant Civil War Era atmosphere. Antiques and paintings. Open daily except for Mondays. Luncheons from 11 to 2 Tues. – Fri. 11:30-2 Sat., Dinner 4:30-close Tues. – Sat., Sunday continuous from 11:30 to close. Tours welcome. The Hub Wine Room "Where People Come Together" is open 6-Close Tuesday-Saturday. Phone: (507) 635-2331.

Places to Stay

16 **AmericInn Motel and Suites**

Located in nearby Kasson this new motel offers all the amenities. Indoor pool and whirlpool, conference room, fireside and whirlpool suites. For further information call the toll free number at 1-800-634-3444, or fax at (507) 634-4131. 301 8th Street SE, Kasson, MN 55944.

17 **Stussy Memorial R.V. Park**

Ten sites with water, electricity and a dump station. Directly in back of the Citizens State Bank. Call City Hall at (507) 635-5170 for more information on the Stussy RV Park.

Things To Do

Bike Trails

Currently there are area trails running between Mantorville and Kasson. There is also the Douglas Trail nearby with a 7 mile long trail between Rochester and Douglas. More trails are being planned.

18 **Mantorville Theatre Company**

Performing in the Opera House. Presenting the old fashion melodrama where in the summer the audience participates by hissing and booing the villains and applauding the heroes & heroines. Throughout the rest of the year there are full length theatre productions. Weekends Fri. & Sat. evenings, Sun. afternoons. For reservations call Mantorville Theatre Company at (507) 635-5420 or write MTC c/o Kristine Knutson 49273 170th Ave., Pine Island, MN 55963 or www.mantorvillain.com



Local Businesses - continued

23 **The Chocolate Shoppe**

"The sweetest place in town." Specializing in hand-dipped chocolates, home-made caramel and toffee. Also ice cream cones, Jelly Belly's and other candies. Open year round Tuesday thru Sunday seasonal hours. Phone (507) 635-5814. 420 Main Street.

24 **Memorabilia Antiques**

Originally a hardware store and a grocery store, this 1866 building now features a large selection of antiques & collectibles; including glass, china, pottery, furniture & primitives. Hours: Tues – Sat 10:30 – 5 Sunday 12-5 (Closed weekdays Jan & Feb) Extended Summer Hours. (507) 635-5419. 9 W. 5th Street



25 **Friends & Company**

Friends & Company Gift Shoppe your one stop gift shop. For the little ones we have plush including Ty, for the collectors we have Boyds and Dept 56 and for the hard to find gift, we have linen, Noah, furniture and many other interesting items. We also have an all around the year Christmas Room. Open Tuesday – Sunday 11:30-5. Phone (507)635-2022.

26 **Riverside Gifts**

The oldest continuously operated pre-Civil War retail store in Dodge County. Established before Minnesota achieved Statehood. It now serves as a gift shop featuring furniture, antiques, Heritage Lace, collectibles and unique handcrafted items for your home and gift giving needs. Open year round, Tues. thru Sun. (507) 635-5464.

27 **Mantorville Square**

Located on Main Street, site of the old Stussy Garage, this large shop features over 25 dealers with a wide variety of quality antiques, collectibles, home décor, candles and gifts. Open year round Tuesday-Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-7 & Sunday 11-6. (507) 635-5554.



28 **Citizens State Bank of Hayfield**

Hayfield, MN 477-2212
Mantorville, MN 635-2481
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.
24 hour Cash Machine available.

7 VFW Building

Built in 1895, it was formerly the Mantorville Bank Building. The bank failed in 1932. It is now McGinley-Rasmussen Post No. 4555, VFW.

8 First Congregational Church

The foundation, laid in 1858, was abandoned because of hard times. The Methodists resumed the work in 1860 but the building was finished by the Congregationalists, who purchased it in 1875. It has been their place of worship ever since. Summer hours: Sunday School 8:45, Worship 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.

9 Mantorville Post Office

This 1896 building was a saloon prior to being the Post Office.

10 Restoration House

The Mantorville Restoration Association restored and furnished this 1856 house to its early appearance. A well versed hostess is on duty to interpret the artifacts and furnishings as they relate to the area's history. A 'pass-through' cook stove, a beautifully restored pump organ and a field cradle are among the hundreds of interesting and unusual items on display. Come and experience it! It's like going back to Grandma's! Open May thru October, 1 to 5. Tour groups welcome. Call (507) 635-5140 or 635-2131.

11 Riverside Park



Picnic shelters, playground equipment, horse shoe pits and basketball court, covered bridge.

12 The Opera House

Built in 1918 to replace the portion of the "Business Block" that was destroyed by fire, it was the site of many traveling shows, dances and box socials. In recent years it has served the community as City Hall and Civic Center. Currently The Mantorville Theatre Company stages plays all through the year. Recently refurbished and is now handicap accessible.

13 The Carriage House

The Carriage House was built of native Mantorville limestone in the early 1860's. It was originally built by the owner of the large Victorian house just to its south. He was Erasmus Severance, an 1856 settler in Dodge County. His son Cordenio was born in Mantorville in 1862, spent his childhood years here and later went on to become a U.S. Senator. The Carriage House was purchased by the Mantorville Restoration Association in 1989. It has been restored and is open to the public at the rear of the building.

19 Relay Station

Entertainment Center. Beautiful historic bar made of mahogany wood. Featuring live bands playing music for all ages. Containing one of the largest dance floors in SE MN and seats over 750 persons. Top name bands perform on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Reservations can be made for all types of social events, including; wedding receptions, graduation, birthday, retirement, Christmas and anniversary parties. Call (507) 635-5922.

Carriage Rides

Sponsored by the Hubbell House. Run during the summer months in conjunction with the Mantorville Theatre Company Melodramas.

Walking Tour

Detailed map available at the Riverside Mercantile LLC Building. Take a trip back to the past with this tour of Historic Mantorville, Wasioja and Kasson's unique homes and buildings.

Zumbro Valley Recreation Club

Picturesque 9 hole, par 36 golf course open to the public with daily membership available. Fun, but challenging course adjacent to the Zumbro River. Cart and club rental and refreshments available. Restaurant, full bar and banquet facilities open year round. Tuesday is Ladies Day and Thursday is Men's Day. (507) 635-2821. Go ½ mile south of bridge on Hwy. 57 to golf signs, then east 1 mile.

Local Businesses

20 Mantorville Brewing Company, LLC

Stagecoach Ale is brewed in historic Mantorville, in the shadows of the old brewery ruins dating back to 1858. Named for the stagecoach line that ran through Mantorville and southeastern Minnesota's Bluff Country. For tour appointments call (507) 635-5404.

21 Creative Change Hair Studio



A full service salon offering a variety of color services, perms, haircuts, facial waxing and spa nail services. Open Monday - Wednesday 9-8, Thursday 12-8, Friday 9-5, Saturday 9-1. Phone (507) 635-5900. 516 Main Street.

22 Bridgeport Family Law

A full service family law practice. A holistic approach to: divorce, custody, child support, paternity and domestic abuse/harassment. Phone (507) 635-3443. 407 N. Main Street. www.bridgeportfamilylaw.com
Marjorie J. Rapp – Attorney at Law



29 Mantor Mart

A Sinclair gas station and convenience store located on the banks of the Zumbro river. Carrying a wide variety of items and a large selection of videos to rent. Phone (507) 635-5626, Monday through Friday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Saturday & Sunday 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM.

30 Mantorville Saloon

Located next to the old bank building. On & Off sale liquor. Pull-tabs sponsored by the Mantorville Restoration Association.

31 Safeway Insurance Agency, Inc.

Complete Insurance Service. Joe Waugh, Mantorville, MN 55955. Phone (507) 635-5949.

Stussy Construction Company

Supplying the agriculture lime and road rock materials for this area for over fifty years. Call (507) 635-2421.

Calendar of Events - 2006

Old Tyme Days

June 18th, Father's Day Minnesota's largest antique tractor pull, art show and many other activities.

The Berne Swissfest

August 5th & 6th Takes place the 1st weekend in August. This popular celebration of Swiss heritage draws thousands of people annually. Berne is 8 miles north of Mantorville on Highway 57.

Marigold Days

September 9th & 10th Initially begun by Walt Bruzek & Marigold Dairies as a promotion to encourage creative display of marigolds throughout the community, the idea developed into an event held each year the weekend after Labor Day. Art & Craft Sales, Flea Market, Flower Show, Dancing, Queen Contest, Band and Singing Concerts. Big Sunday Parade and other activities.

Zumbro Bend Rendezvous

September 23rd & 24th This event is a living history festival that allows the visitor the opportunity to travel back and experience our country's colorful past, from the 1630's to 1840.

Old Fashioned Christmas

December 2nd The first Saturday in December this celebration takes you back in time. Caroling, Sleight Rides, Santa and Mrs. Claus, tour of some of our area's finest home are just a few of the wonderful things you will experience on this fun filled day.

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Refer to town map for location.

www.Mantorvilletourism.com