

2024 series

HISTORY in your backyard

Sponsored by Sylvan Township and Pillager School Community Education

The third lecture series will be offered highlighting the historical moments of Sylvan, Rosing, Fairview and May Townships and the Cities of Pillager and East Gull Lake, otherwise known as "The Pillager Gap". These are the moments that give the residents of the "Gap" our sense of pride in our historical culture and the breathtaking environment in which we live.

The series will be presented on the first Tuesday of each month throughout the summer at 6:00 pm at the CTC Center at the Pillager School. Each evening will include a lecture or panel, followed by a question and answer time. Refreshments will be served. Open to all area residents. Freewill Donation.

Tuesday, June 4 **10 places of historical interest within 10 miles of Pillager** * Presenter: Dave Johnson

Ox Cart trail	Chippewa Agency site
Crow Wing River dams	Hole in the Day murder
Gill River sawmill	Native burial grounds
Pillsbury Forest	Old buildings
Pillager Gap / Glaciers	*Audience input

Five minute presentation of each of the sites, along with a map for your own personal exploration and discovery. Followed by question and answer time and discussion about other sites of interest.

Tuesday, July 2

Impact and History of local creameries

Presenter: Gordon Martin



Join the discussion about the life of dependence on the local farmer and creameries in the area. Gordon Martin has decades of involvement in the local Pillager creamery along with a vast knowledge of the industry in our area.

Tuesday, August 6

History of the local faith community

Presenter: Sue Van Hal



Down through the years there were many churches that popped up in our area. Some are still here, some only left a legacy of faith. Learn about the history of faith in our community.

Tuesday, September 3

The impact of the railroad and RR stories

Presenter: Jerry Jackson, tentative



Jerry has studied the local railroad systems, logging, and history of our area for many years. He will share an informative presentation and open for questions and answers. Audience input will be encouraged.