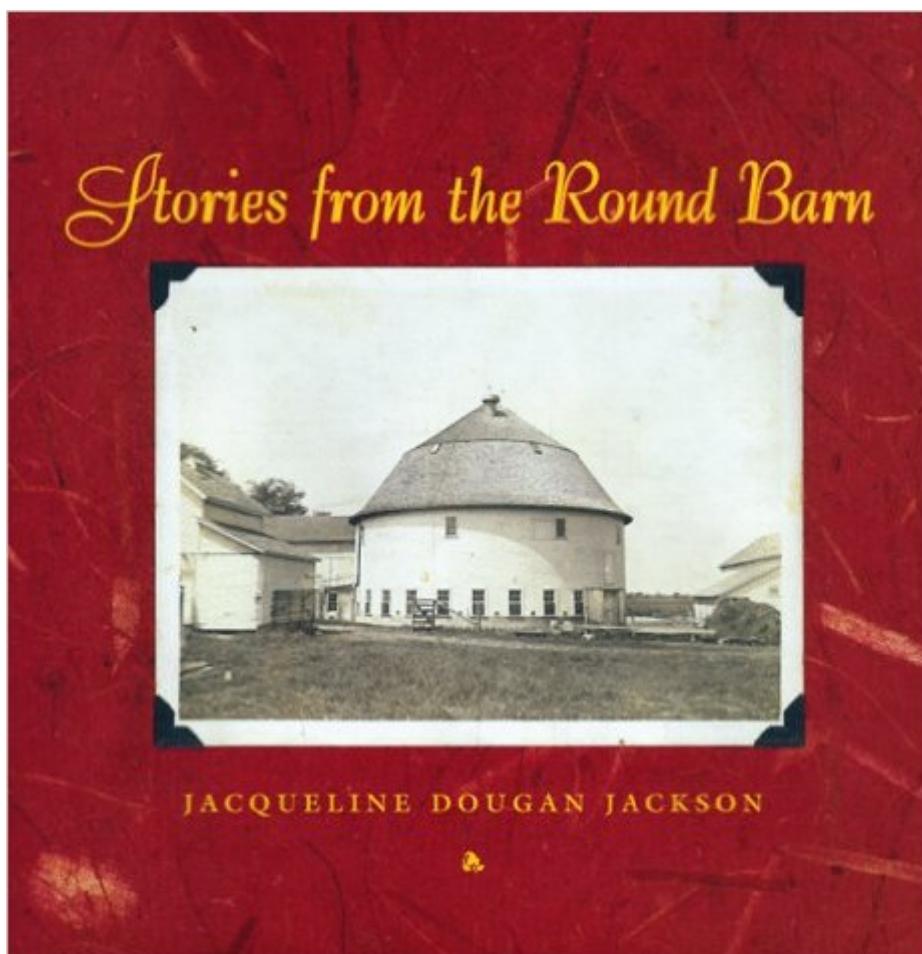


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Stories From The Round Barn



Synopsis

Using stories, anecdotes, history, and even veterinary science, Jacqueline Dougan Jackson recreates life on the Dougan Guernsey Farm Dairy, founded in 1911 by W.J. Dougan near Beloit, Wisconsin. A fascinating mix of biography, oral history, and creative nonfiction, STORIES FROM THE ROUND BARN is a moving tribute to the legacy of generations past. 53 photos and line drawings .

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I live in Beloit, WI and bought this book after photographing the round barn that was on the property from this book. I'm a fan of non-fiction stories and this one didn't let me down. The barn was torn down earlier this year and nothing is left of this property. I'm glad this book exists to capture the stories from it's day.

In an era of urban sprawl and corporate farming, this is a gentle reminder of a world of small towns and kind people. Jackie's experiences growing up on the dairy farm range from laugh-out-loud humorous to tears rolling. "The Round Barn" illustrates what family values truly were before the demagogues got hold of the term: integrity, caring and principles put before profit. The Dougans were--and are--intelligent, hard-working people who have a tremendous joy in living. The stories are brief enough to read aloud---and deep enough to read again and again with pleasure.

I found myself reading this book through in two sittings. If you like history, personal stories, diaries

or the like, you will enjoy this book. I compare it to Jimmy Carter's An Hour Before Daylight in that it gives a picture of rural life in the early part of the century. It is human, candid, and lean in its verbiage. It captures all of the emotions and leaves you with mental images that will last a lifetime. Try it.

This book was written primarily for the pleasure of reading and secondly for a little local history of Beloit, WI. They only recently demolished the round barn seen on the front cover, but it will last much longer in the memories of those who love America's past and her honest simplicity.

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