



Garth Brooks and Walker House Apologies

On Friday morning, May 8, you may have seen on ABC's Good Morning America Garth Brooks singing "Mom" to Mrs. Garrison at her farm in Darlington, Wisconsin. Her daughter Brook (you may have seen her selling you baked goods at the Walker House) had entered her Mom in the Good Morning America contest to have Garth Brooks sing to her for Mother's Day. Well, she won, and so did the Walker House, though we need to apologize for it.

An advance TV crew stayed at the Walker House in mid-week and requested that we close the building to other guests. No word of Mrs. Garrison's selection could leak out, because Garth Brooks and about a hundred other people were showing up at the farm unannounced Friday at 7am. It was a surprise. We apologize for not letting you into the Walker House during the week. We also apologize for losing our chef and baker Lisa Govier for a few days. Someone had to feed the TV crew and Garth Brooks. Lisa prepared a full breakfast for 20 people at 3am Friday and a continental breakfast for 100 at 5am on the farm. It takes a lot of people and energy to surprise a farm wife.

Finally, we apologize for not being able to describe the TV broadcast to you, or even how the Walker House vases of flowers were used in some background shots. You see, we have no TVs at the Walker House. But you can get an eyewitness account of the event from Lisa or Brook. They were there.