

Greetings to all! We would like to update everyone on the activities going on at St Martin Heritage Park.

I think the best way to describe what is happening is to say the group at Heritage Park has caught a severe case of "Spring Fever" with no end in sight!

The first step was cleaning out the fence line on the east side of our property. A great big "Thank You" goes out to the following people: To Don Pfister for donating his time and equipment to clean stones and stumps out of the line fence. In addition, thanks go to Tim Mueller and crew for disposing of the trees and to Herman and Deb Brenner for allowing us to operate our equipment on their property (which helped to save the park lawn).

Step number two was to bury an underground electric cable, which will allow us to install a light on the Park sign at the entrance and give us power for security equipment. The fence line area needed to be leveled and graded, followed by planting the grass.

After that came the planting of "Memorial" trees. Thanks to all who made a purchase for your generosity made it possible to plant eight 5' Blue Spruce and seven 15' Flame Maple trees. We had a nice group of volunteers help with that project. We do have a couple of "Memorial" trees that need sponsors yet. If you are interested, please contact any board member.

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Planting of the "Memorial" Trees

With that being done, we set our sights on cleaning the former church building closets and storage area. What a fun project (ha ha) that turned out to be. The storage garage next to the church also got a cleaning, which ticked off a couple of squirrels, mice and a very ambitious groundhog. Thanks guys for your help, it was a great improvement!



Planting Grass along the old fence line and the new "Memorial" trees

The next outside project was to design and lay out the stone border for the flowerbed around the entrance sign. In addition, an area was prepared for a flowerbed at the corner of Church Road and Cty T. The fascia board on the hall was replaced and painted. A sandbox for the children in the playground area was constructed, and regular spring maintenance upkeep has been completed.



New Flowerbed around the entrance sign

The most recent project was to plant the flowerbed at the entrance sign. A huge "Thank You" goes out to Judy Koehler and her niece Stacy Woelfel for designing the layout of flowers and shrubs. Thank you to all those who donated flowers from your gardens to add to this bed and help to reduce the cost. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to do the planting and add bark around the new plantings as well as around all the memorial trees.

A great big "THANK YOU" to all the different people helping on these projects and to the members who made donations so these improvements could be possible. As you may know, none of the improvements will be done until we receive donations specifically for them.

As I said "Spring Fever" with no end in sight, we are not done yet. Following is a list of events and improvements to mark on your calendar:

Fund Raisers

1. July 15th Golf Outing at Badger Creek Golf Course in New Holstein. Get a foursome

- together and let's have some fun! Any questions please call Deb Mueller 898-1977.
- 2. August 1st, 2nd & 3rd -Rummage and Yard Sale at St Martin Heritage Park Hall. Gather your items to donate and contact Judy Koehler 849-4262.

Painting

Your help is requested on Saturday, July 7th starting at 9:00a.m. to paint the exterior of the social hall (south and west sides). Bring brushes, rollers, and ladders. Lunch and refreshments will be served.

Membership Function

September 23rd at St Martin Heritage Park there will be a dedication of all memorial trees and plaques. More to follow on this event.

Wish List

The next construction project will be to build the "Celebration Gazebo". Any financial donations for this project would be greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to organize a fundraising event for this project, please contact any board member.

Party *St Martin Alumni Reunion*

Plans have started on St Martin Parish/School Reunion for Sunday August 3, **2008.** Mark this date on your calendar. A lot more information on this will be coming in future correspondences.

Thank you all and have a great summer

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