

We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year! Once again, winter in Wisconsin has proven to be a record setting one. The board agrees that many records have also been set this past year at St. Martin Heritage Park thanks to all of your support. May the wonderful progress continue in 2009!

Geo-thermal update

As mentioned in the last newsletter the board along with our membership approved the installation of a geo-thermal heating system in the park Chapel. This system is now installed and has been able to keep the Chapel temperature at a steady 45 degrees **without** the use of fuel oil. Some individuals need to be commended for their input with this project:

First off, thanks to Gerry Woelfel who had the foresight to recommend that we **not** turn off the heat in the former church in an effort to save funds. He also encouraged the board to research alternative heating options, thus the idea for the geothermal. The initial investment was substantial but the payoff will come quickly.

In addition, to the numerous individuals who donated their time to help with the installation, we want to thank all of you. A special thanks to Don Pfister for donating his time and equipment to dig the trenches.

Giving back.....

This past school year St. Martin Heritage Park was able to give \$100.00 scholarships to both Chilton Catholic School and Divine Savior in New Holstein. These scholarships were made possible from donations made at the alumni reunion in August.

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2009 Calendar of Events

Brat fry	April 19
Rummage Sale	July 1, 2, 3
Golf Outing	August 1
Wine & Beer Tasting	November 7

All events will be held at Heritage Park with the exception of the golf outing which will be at Hickory Hills in Chilton.

Something special for our brat fry

On April 19th we will have an open house in the Chapel/Museum during the brat fry. Also for your entertainment, an organist will be playing from 2-3:00 p.m.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help or make a donation to the brat fry please contact any board member.

Annual Meeting

At our annual meeting, Ray Mueller and Kathy Arndt agreed to work together to find various ideas to bring the gazebo and chapel to life. Some of the ideas are to have performers, such as singers or band concerts during the summer months. Any additional ideas are always welcome, please contact Ray (849-9787) or Kathy (876-3439) with your suggestions.

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Thank you to Gerry Woelfel for all of his hard work as one of the founding board members. Gerry decided not to run for re-election for the coming term. Without his leadership this organization would not be where we are today!

Welcome to our new board member-Luke Geiser!