



# Dan Patch NEWS

## Savage Depot was originally red!

As the old siding was removed from the depot, we had some interesting revelations. A most exciting is that we realized the original depot color was actually red ... a brick red! It is evident in many pieces of the siding.

The Depot Task Force decided, after reviewing the boards, that the depot will be painted brick red in the spring. Also found in the walls was a pick ax, empty bottles, coal and some telegram receipts and other paperwork. Found under the floor boards was a 1914 edition of the Minneapolis Journal newspapers. All of these have been saved, plus old hardware from the doors and square nails from the siding and are in a display case in the Heritage Room at the Savage Public Library.

Stop in and take a look, plus view a piece of the siding and see for yourself the red paint.

Even with the cooler weather, progress is being made on the depot. Framing is done inside and out and structural repairs have been made. Rough-in of the electrical and plumbing is complete. Exterior light has been selected to match the downtown. Insulation is complete, interior walls framed and sheetrock going on. HVAC is being roughed in. The casing that was removed from the old windows will be reinstalled around the new windows. Sheathing is almost complete and the new siding will be going on. The guys working there have been real troopers!

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