



# Dan Patch NEWS

## Why bring the depot home?

Why the depot? That is a question asked of the Historical Society and the city.

The Savage railroad depot is one of the few remaining original buildings of the city. Its interesting architecture and sound structure make it worth saving. While the exterior and roof need some rehab, the interior is much as it was originally.

The depot was built in 1880 and served the many needs of the business at the International Stock Food Farm owned by Marion Willis Savage. The depot was closed in 1970. Rather than have it demolished, Murphy's Landing purchased it from the railroad and moved it to their site in Shakopee. The Three Rivers Park District, which now owns Murphy's Landing, has determined that it cannot maintain all of the structures there and transferred ownership to the city. The Dan Patch Historical Society has made a commitment to bring it home to the public square in downtown Savage. This location is directly across Highway 13 from its original location.

Our next column will describe one of our fund-raising efforts: the "Brick Walk of Fame."

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