



Dan Patch NEWS

We're keeping history alive

September 16th, 2006

Depot thanks this time go to Siwek Lumber of Jordan, which helped with the new shingles for the roof by getting them for cost, and to Stocker Excavating of Savage, which donated time and material to connect the depot to city sewer and water. Rather than have us ask, give us a call at (952) 890-1669 with your specialty and we'll let you know how you can help.

We continue to be amazed by the people who contact us and the interest in what is happening in our city and its history.

We have been asked by the owners of the new harness racing track north of the Twin Cities to participate in their groundbreaking and to offer our expertise on how Dan Patch can be incorporated into their new facility. We are having conversations with the Shakopee Chamber and Convention Bureau on how to get our historic sites as stops for bus tours. They are looking for us to meet buses and do narratives on stops at the Camp Savage site, the Depot and the Heritage Room at the library. If it can be worked out, it is anticipated that this would start in the spring. What a great project for volunteers. And, lastly, we have been contacted to attend the 4-H horse show at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds, where, since 1966, they have presented a Dan Patch Award to the top horse project member.

In our last column, we incorrectly stated the name of the landscape architect working on the depot project. He is Alee Johnson of Tushie Montgomery. And, in the president's letter to the editor, he neglected to mention Chuck Erickson, who helped us launch the book and get the Dan Patch Day proclamation from the governor's office.

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