

New Site Manager



"JR" George Ballard

Those enjoying the park will see a new face. Mr Ballard accepted the role of site manager this past September. Please give him a warm welcome.

FOPL Annual Meeting

The Friends of Perch Lake will hold their annual meeting at XXXXX on XXXXX. The public is welcome to attend.





Saturday, August 7; St. Croix County held a grand opening





for the new entrance building at Homestead Parklands on Perch Lake. Inside the building are displayed a number of items belonging to the homesteaders of the property (Aggie and Thomas Davidson) on loan from the Seim family. There is also information about all the county parks. Shown cutting the ribbon are the surviving siblings of the late Donna Seim (she and her husband sold the land to the county and her husband Tom was the grandson of the Davidsons). Front L-R Dick Ostendorf (St. Joseph township), Bob 'Ozzie' Ostendorf (N. Hudson), Jerry Ostendorf (Roberts). Back row L Ryan Brathal (outgoing site manager), R Dennis Merkel (Parks Administrator).





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FRIENDS OF PERCH LAKE



The Friends of Perch Lake was established in 2003 to support ways of learning from the physical characteristics and history of the land and water at Homestead Parklands.

Friends' Group Brochure

Actions items from 2021 Annual Meeting

- The friends group now has a QR code to direct scanners to the donation page of our website.
- The QR code is in the newly designed brochure, which can fill a spot in the entrance building. A laminated copy will be added to the friends' kiosk.
- Due to foundation fees exceeding investment income, the members decided to move our funds. This was approved at the January foundation meeting. The funds are currently in FOPL's bank account. Members are asked to bring investment options to the annual meeting.

Around the Park

Homestead's 1st Halloween event was well-attended, as was the return of the kid's ice fishing contest. The friends group looks forward to assisting with future such events.

WATER QUALITY EDUCATION AND HISTORY CENTER

Central to the Friends of Perch Lake's mission is raising funds to build an education center where area students will be able to learn about water quality and the history of homesteading as they relate to Perch Lake. See drawing below.

