



## News Release

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### **Plum Creek Contributes \$6,000 to Heritage Park and Recreation Committee**

**LAONA, Wis.** — The Plum Creek Foundation awarded a \$6,000 grant to the Heritage Park and Recreation Committee to help fund its efforts to build a recreation area in the town. When completed, the recreation area will consist of a regulation-sized baseball field with fencing, lighting and dugouts, and will include a pavilion with restroom facilities. The site will also serve as a community-based trailhead for the Nicolet State Recreation Trail, which is used by the public for hiking, biking, snowmobiling and ATV use.

Plum Creek Resource Supervisor Scott Henker will present a grant check to the Heritage Park Committee on Wednesday, August 2, at 3:30 p.m. at the Laona Town Hall.

“The members of our community will greatly benefit from the recreational opportunities this facility will provide,” said Al Murray, chairman of the Heritage Park Committee. “Thanks to this generous donation from the Plum Creek Foundation, we will be able to continue our efforts to utilize the property to benefit our community and provide an area for all to enjoy.”

Murray added that as a trailhead for the Nicolet State Trail, the recreation facility will help the town increase tourism in the area, and in turn, benefit the local economy and area residents. Additionally, the facility will provide a location for area civic groups, fire departments and rescue units to use for fundraising activities.

The Plum Creek Foundation’s grant will be used to help fund the construction of the pavilion and restroom facilities. To date, the committee has collected more than \$48,000 in donations for the recreation area; however, with an overall cost exceeding \$120,000, fundraising continues.

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company’s operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on the company’s Web site at [www.plumcreek.com](http://www.plumcreek.com) to download an application.

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