



**Sturm Family
and Friends
Building
Community**
Boulder Junction, WI



Public Restroom Project at Sturm Memorial Field

TOWN OF BOULDER JUNCTION DEDICATES PUBLIC RESTROOM AT SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL PARK OCTOBER 12

September 22, 2020 - - The Town of Boulder Junction, WI, the Sturm Family & Friends Building Community group, in conjunction with the Boulder Junction Community Foundation is proud to invite you to the formal **Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Public Restroom Project at Sturm Memorial Ballpark on Monday, October 12 at 11AM CST at the Boulder Junction Sports and Recreational area**. Restroom donors, volunteers, friends, family, local businesses and residents are invited to attend. A live streaming event may be seen at <https://bit.ly/SturmDedication2020> on October 12 at 11AM Central time/12PM Eastern time for those unable to attend in person.

In addition to the restroom, made possible through a public/private partnership fundraising campaign, a bike repair station, 2 bike racks, a water bottle filling station/water fountain all donated with private funds, will be dedicated at the event along with a brick walkway on site, featuring personal messages from 46 donors to the project.

The site-built permanent building houses two conventional, companion care, ADA compliant restrooms with green amenities - water conserving fixtures and energy efficient electrical

components as touchless faucets and hand dryers. An automated security system has been added to the building.

The restroom will serve a diverse community of children, adults, residents and visitors alike who will enjoy a clean, green, modern restroom facility including the athletes and spectators at Sturm Memorial Ballfield, the children and their parents who use the playground, and those who attend special events at the park. The restrooms will also serve the users of the skateboard park, tennis and pickleball courts, basketball courts, and the Heart of Vilas County Bike Trail which runs through the property. It is anticipated more than 5,000 people will use the facility each year during the course of its lifetime.

The 2-year project partnership brought together the extended Sturm family and friends, the Town of Boulder Junction, local businesses, residents, non-profit organizations and area corporate support. The project was facilitated by the [Boulder Junction Community Foundation, Inc.](#) providing fiduciary and administrative assistance to the fundraising campaign. Special support was provided by the [Boulder Junction Chamber of Commerce](#), and the [Boulder Junction Lions Club](#) who provided generous financial and volunteer support. Several local residents volunteered their time with the building construction along with [Town Chairman Dennis Reuss](#) who served as project manager.

Grants were secured from [Dairymen's Foundation, Inc.](#) and the [Boulder Junction Community Foundation](#), and key corporate, business and non-profit gift support was secured from [Ascension Wisconsin](#), [Pitlik & Wick, Inc.](#), [Coontail](#) and the [Boulder Junction Lions Club](#).

Earl and Evelyn Sturm were lifelong visitors and residents of Boulder Junction. Earl Sturm played softball for decades at the Boulder Junction ballfield, served as president of the Boulder Junction Lions Club, and served on the Boulder Junction Town Board. When Earl passed in 2015, the Sturm family honored his softball legacy in northern Wisconsin by updating and naming the ball field 'Sturm Memorial Field.' Subsequently the extended family formed 'Sturm Family Building Community in Boulder Junction' and created the public restroom project.

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All COVID health-related precautions will be taken at the Boulder Junction Sports & Recreation Area and ballpark around the restroom and dedication area.

For questions regarding the Dedication, contact Janet Sturm Oppenheimer at joprstrategy@charter.net or mobile 561-212-9052 or The Town of Boulder Junction at clerk@townofboulderjunction.org.