



New Addition Comes Flying Into Stuart Park

Beautiful Stuart Park will soon have another source of enjoyment for all ages. The Stuart Community Foundation Fund (SCFF), in partnership with the Stuart High School FFA students, are working to bring a disc golf course to the park. The course will be laid out near the walking path on the north and east portions of the park, and installation has already begun. Recently, students teamed with employees of the Village of Stuart to install the course's tee boards. The next phase is the installation of the baskets when they arrive. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in time for the 4th of July celebration.

The project took a major step forward last fall when members of the SCFF's Endowment Grants Committee approached FFA students with the idea and proposed the partnership. The committee arranged a presentation by area disc golf enthusiast, Wayne Prussa, who demonstrated "driving" and "putting" discs to the basket. The students responded with excitement at

the prospect of yet another activity that they and all visitors to the park could enjoy.

FFA students took the lead in the project, obtaining initial and final approval from the Park Board. The course design was provided by Andrew Chisholm of Lincoln, who was recommended by the Disc Golf Association. Chisholm provided an initial design through satellite mapping and a final design after an on-sight visit to the park.

The disc golf course project is a result of the efforts of a number of different individuals and organizations. As mentioned above, the Stuart High School FFA and the Village of Stuart employees are teaming up for the installation of the course. The Endowment Grant Committee would like to give special recognition to Patty Hanzlik, FFA sponsor, and Bob Lockmon of the Village of Stuart whose efforts have spurred this project to the cusp of completion. Funding for the project has come from the Park

Board, the SCFF's Community Park account, and a grant from the SCFF endowment. The Village of Stuart has also provided in-kind support, in-kind labor, and paid for some of the materials related to the installation of the course.

Since 2012, the SCFF has issued yearly grants from the endowment to support community projects. Past projects include the weight room and playground equipment projects at Stuart Public School, the crow's nest at the Stuart Raceway, a display at the White Horse Museum, and the "Welcome to Stuart" sign on Highway 20 on the east edge of town.

The Stuart Community Foundation Fund is an affiliated fund of Nebraska Community Foundation. The Fund Advisory Committee would like to thank all SCFF donors for your past generosity and continued support. To discuss the various ways you can contribute, please contact Jay Wallinger 402-924-3607 or Janet Brewster 402-924-3883.