

The Renovation News

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RECENT PROGRESS: May and June have seen much progress towards finishing the project, with a lot of detailed work being completed. Particularly noticeable are the attractive blue curtains on the front windows of the new center entrance. The new hand rail and the banister posts for the stairs to the second floor have recently been installed also. More of the beautiful cherry wood

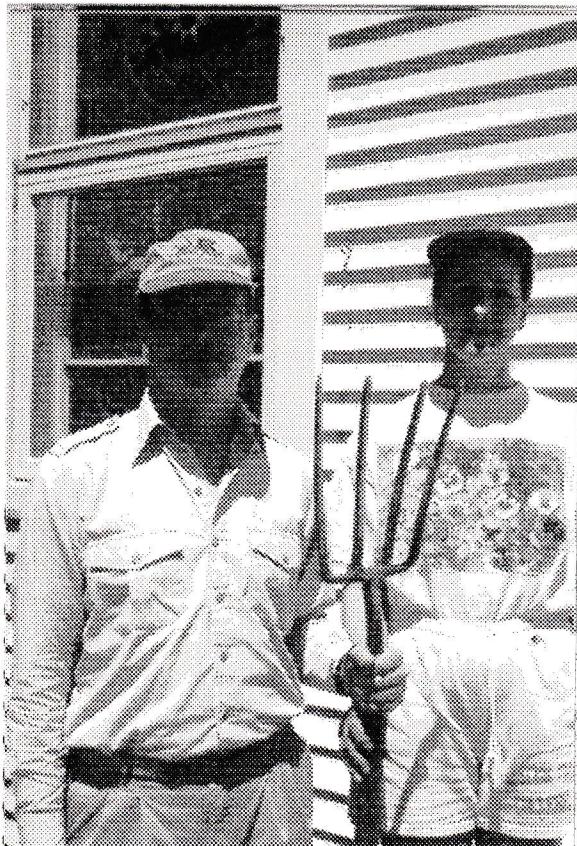


Front Windows with Curtains

that has found such wide use in the renovated areas is now evident in the mailbox slots in the wall in the entranceway and in the wooden covers to the lighting switches in the wall by the sanctuary doors.

The new windows for the kitchen were installed a couple of weeks ago, and the siding around those windows on the outside wall of the kitchen was also completed. The new front door to Fellowship Hall is now in as well. Some remains to be done on the front of the building, but that area is beginning to look completed.

Landscaping work along the front began when the weather permitted, and, thanks to Pat & Dave Baird, (see picture), we now have several attractive plantings along the front and in the center entrance area. The stone bench by the center front door is a great idea, adds a nice touch, and has



*Dave & Pat Baird
"Presbyterian Gothic"*



Lunch Break for a Couple of Hard-working Volunteers

the afternoon and evening we will be welcoming our congregation, friends, all those who have helped in this endeavor, and the entire community to a FREE COMMUNITY PIG ROAST in the parking lot. There will be a good meal with all the trimmings (and hot dogs for those who prefer), tours of the facility, and live music. More details will be coming as the day's events start coming together.

FINANCIAL REVIEW: Income from the Renovation Drive is, to date, \$109,000, approximately one-half of the amount pledged. Please keep your pledges up to date to enable us to repay more of the loan from the Bank of Castile without further invading the resources in the Richards Endowment Fund.

provided a good place for lunch for a couple of our hard-working volunteers.

REMAINING WORK: With our goal of finishing the project by the end of the summer, Dan Sheldon has scheduled a number of work evenings and days, including Saturday, July 18 (all day), and Thursday, July 30 (evening). Call Dan at 494-2442 if you can work. We are driving to have EVERYTHING completed by Dedication Sunday (see below).

CELEBRATION & DEDICATION: Highlight Sunday, September 13 on your calendar for a >>>BIG EVENT<<<. That is the day that we are planning to celebrate, dedicate, and thank the Lord for the completion of this 2+ year adventure we are about to complete. There will be a dedication service during the Sunday Morning worship service that day, and later in



Dwight Banister Finishing the New Mailboxes