## Saratoga Springs Park



Saratoga Springs Park land was donated to the Village of Star Prairie by Margaret Lyngass in 1989 in memory of her late husband Matt.

The park is 25 acres with a brook and natural springs. The western half of the park is higher ground and forested in mostly oak trees. There are two stands of red pine planted in the park in 1942 to replace pasture area from farming that was done in prior years. The eastern side has more lowland and you will see evidence of old beaver habitat.

You may notice a few man made features when looking at the natural beauty of the park.

Old hotel foundation from the late 1800's.

The natural spring fed creek was used for natural cold water refrigeration. There is a clay crock that was used for food storage.



The dam held back water for recreation and also for water bottling

for medicinal purposes shipped to Stillwater, MN and surrounding areas.

Car drive shafts were used for fence posts. Times were hard and they made use of everything.

Three bridges allow you to cross



the creek safely.

Please respect these features, they are just a reminder of some of the people who lived here in the past and how they made use of the land. Also enjoy the natural beauty of the park; there is plenty of wildlife to observe. Please respect what is now their home.

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Have a nice hike.





Village of Star Prairie

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