# **Linda Ulland Memorial Gardens**

An environmental, educational, natural destination for all ages.

#### What is the Linda Ulland Memorial Gardens?

A new amenity at the Crosslake Recreation Area enhancing about one acre of currently unused triangle-shaped space located between the entrance, the Administration building and Route 66.

## What is the significance of the name?

Linda Ulland was a leader in the Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway Association and the two groups (USACE) and (PBSBA) have been cooperative partners since 2004. US Army Corps of Engineers missions to promote environmental stewardship is a pursuit held in common with that of Linda's life.

## How is environmental, cooperative stewardship reflected in these gardens?

Through representational and interactive gardens, such as the CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) Box garden, or those for Deer Resistant Plants, Butterfly, or Local School Lunch Foods.

# How will visitors interact or participate with the gardens?

FREE to the public, these gardens will draw in visitors with colorful, climbable, walk-thru gardens including photo op stops, audio learning boxes and even olfactory 'smelling' components. Interested in recognizing or honoring someone? Purchase eco-friendly permeable engraved or etched pavers as a permanent 'memorial' to be incorporated into garden walkways.

# Will visitors benefit from things learned at the gardens?

Yes. With take-home informational pamphlets and brochures with inspiring ideas for things to do at home, now and in the future.

## Long-range planning?

The *Linda Ulland Memorial Gardens* is **Step 1** toward a larger interpretive gardens and learning center project. **Step 1** is expected to be completed by early summer, 2015. **Step 2** which would include the remainder of the interpretive gardens will be completed by fall of 2016, provided funding can be secured. The *Learning Center* is the **final portion** of this project with undetermined timeline at this point.

#### What needs funding to complete the gardens?

Planning sessions, infrastructure installation, garden and pathway installation, interpretive sculpture benches, signage and kiosks, media and marketing

### What are your funding sources so far?

(\$10,000) University of Minnesota, *Central Regional Sustainable Development Partnership* (\$300) Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway Association

(\$11,000) Linda Ulland Estate

(\$600 in kind) JM Plein Consulting

(\$20,000) Crosslake/Ideal Lions Club

(\$500) Ideal Community Service Organization

(\$175 to date) Individual donors

Expectation is to secure Corps funding for a portion of Step 2. However, the likelihood of gaining those funds is directly dependent on *securing local funding partners*.

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