

Schützenpark Gilde
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1906 Turner Fair - An “affair” to Remember! *“Alt Heidelberg” - A Blaze of Glory.....*

Read all about this 5 day event which took place at Davenport’s Central Turner Hall. Amuse yourself with the folksy writing style of the authors who recorded the daily events of the “Turner Fair” for the Davenport Democrat. Imagine yourself strolling through the streets of old Heidelberg, faithfully recreated in the Grand Hall. See the sights of the “Monte Carlo”. Hear the laughter from the “Pretzel Alley Rathskeller” and smell the rarities coming from the “Zum Bauernstübl”. Relive the many stunts performed on the stage of the “Can’t Lose Theater”. Look back upon the time when people came together for the common good of their community. The 1906 Turner Fair is an event to be experienced by all!

This fantastic little collectors book is yours free when you make a supporting donation to the Schuetzen Park. Using the enclosed envelope - all donors giving at the \$50 level, or more, will have the book sent to them.



Schuetzen-Brief™

News from the Davenport, IA. Schuetzen Park Historic Site - Spring 2006

Quick-Shots

Besten Dank !

*Benches given in memory
or honor of:*

Walter & Arline Levetzow
I. Kathryn Hunt
Phyllis M. Ruth
Carol Stradt

Gifts in memory/honor of:

Marie Burmeister
William & Jennie Hanssen
Hugo & Frances Lueders
John & Christina Helming-
Rose
Norma & Otto Friederichs
George & Matilda Wulf
Donald Sitz
Sarah Kruger
Paul Henry Neuman Fam.
Matilda Neuman Fleu
Those who died in
Iraq & Afghanistan
Kory Darnall

Kind Words

"Your primeval forest amidst the clutter of the city is truly a welcoming haven to all those souls who linger among the ancient trees. Our ancestors would be proud!

I certainly enjoyed the brief encounter with Schuetzen Park on "Oktoberfest Sunday" for the breakfast and church service".

I wish you well in the Park's development."

*Arlene Rose Considine
Clinton, IA*

Schützenpark Gilde Celebrates 10 Years

On June 12, 1870 Schuetzen Park was dedicated in a grand event attended by several thousand people. On June 12, 1996 hardly anyone noticed when the Schuetzenpark Gilde was born. Was it a coincidence, or destiny, that both events had transpired on the same date in June? We, of course, say it was meant to be: "Schuetzen Park was not done making history - it was just beginning to."



Top Ten Accomplishments

10. Park website, books & newsletter.
9. Planted dozens of new trees.
8. Historical display created.
7. Festival grounds developed.
6. Davenport Turngemeinde Monument dedicated.
5. Built the "Jens Lorenzen Pavillion"
4. Nature trails redeveloped
3. Obtained "Landmark" status for the original street car pavillion
2. Reintroduced public cultural events .
1. Saved the Schuetzen Park by repurchasing former Park lands

Over the past ten years, the rebirth of old Schuetzen Park has surpassed all of our expectations, and surprised many in the community who thought the Park was a thing of the past. While we celebrate what we have accomplished, we, more importantly, look to the future of our Schuetzen Park and invite you to participate in the many events planned for this year. Why not plan a picnic in the Park, walk the nature trails or come and view the historic displays at Heritage Court at Schuetzen Park?

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