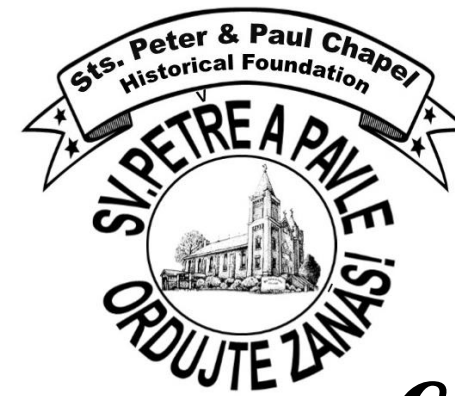


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Cancelled for 2020!

What a common announcement made throughout 2020. Until August 10th when the Derecho (on land hurricane) hit then questions asking about damage became commonplace. The Church building and grounds sustained a lot of damage. The northwest corner of the roof was blown off slamming into the northern steeple on its way to the ground. Over 15 cedar trees were destroyed, also. Thanks to so many for their quick action, the roof was replaced and fully shingled (including steeples) before any rain could damage the interior. See President's letter for more details.

Special Thanks to these donors

In light of the cancellation of our annual fund-raiser and other events. if you'd like to donate to help off-set our monthly expenses.

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President's Corner

Dear Friends and Sts. Peter & Paul Historical Foundation Family,
 Holiday Season is here in this year of 2020. I think everyone is thinking we have had so many problems this year it will never be over. Starting in late March with health issues from Covid 19, cancelling all events until further notice. Then the Derecho storm hit Aug 10th. It started in central Iowa and moved east destroying anything in its path. Tom Brown, Board Vice President and Sts. Peter & Paul neighbor, could see from his home that the Church and grounds had tree and roof damage. After a closer check, he called Curt Blinks to come the next day. Curt and his Team started repairing the roof and organized the repair to the bricks on the steeple. Curt and his Team worked long hours in the heat on that steep roof to ensure the repairs were completed before any rains came. They were our Guardian Angels! Bernie White and Tom Brown were there everyday for all kinds of reasons. It is good to have such great neighbors here. Rob Brown and his son, Hunter, removed and cleaned up trees (15 of them) plus took away the debris from the roof. What a huge job that was! Many of us are still cleaning tree damage from our farms. Our trees will never be the same.

We are blessed that the stained-glass windows were untouched. Thankful for the insurance coverage allowing the full roof to be re-shingled. Most of all, we are so very thankful to all the friends of Sts. Peter & Paul Church, so many calls of concern and then all the folks that have sent money to help pay for expenses during this time.

After cancelling the Fall Fun Auction we were thrilled at how many generous folks sent donations to help. We appreciate that very much – more than words can say!

Our community is thankful that the cemetery was not damaged like many were.

After cancelling so many events this past year at Sts. Peter & Paul Church we are hoping and praying 2021 will return to some sense of normal where events and get-togethers can be held with families and friends. We pray this newsletter finds you well and we wish you all a 'Blessed New Year'!

Sincerely,

Jean Litts

Sts. Peter & Paul Historical Foundation President



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News section has additional pictures of storm damage

Easy to read calendar of events plus lots more.

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