

Ardentown Dedicates Henry George Memorial Green

by Bob DeNigris

Recently a sign commemorating the Henry George Memorial Green in Ardentown, Delaware, was installed by Rodney Jester and Bob DeNigris, members of the Georgist Guild.

The sign, commissioned by the Village of Ardentown, was designed and made by Walter Broadbent and has been placed in an open area of the Green.



Bob DeNigris and Mike Curtis

At its September 2000 meeting, the Village of Ardentown voted unanimously to name the Green as a memorial to Henry George, whose ideas on land value taxation form the basis of the Deeds of Trust on which the villages of the Ardens were founded.

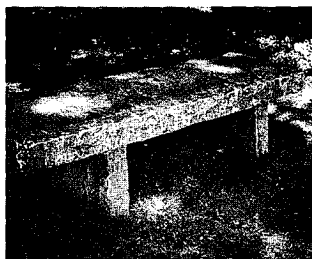
Also installed on the Green and dedicated last September is a stone bench, commissioned by the Guild and put in place by Rodney Jester.

Rodney also recently installed a metal plaque with a quote from Henry George on a rock placed next to the bench. The plaque reads:

On the land we are born, from it we live, to it we return again – children of the soil as truly as is the blade of grass or the flower of the field. Take away from man all that belongs to the land, and he is but a disembodied spirit. Material progress cannot rid us of our dependence upon land.

Stefanie Lombardo and Page Dwyer have volunteered to provide landscaping to the area.

We invite all who come to Ardentown to stop by the Green on their walks through the town and join us in remembering the man who helped to make our way of life unique. Many



thanks to all who

have or who will participate in this project, especially Rodney and the Georgist Guild.

— Bob DeNigris is a trustee of Ardentown. His paper "Henry George and the Single Tax" can be found on the Web at:

<http://www.henrygeorge.org/denigris.htm>



Rodney Jester gets his hands dirty