

## **Project:** Community Memorial Hospital Healing Garden

**Extra Hours or Core activity?** This would be an extra hours project for now (2005). I plan to put in a proposal to upgrade it to a core project for the Fall review.

**Location:** Community Memorial Hospital, W180 N8085 Town Line Road, Menomonee Falls

**Description:** The Healing Garden is in the process of being created through the sponsorship of the Community Memorial Foundation. It is approximately 7200 square feet total. The base plan was designed by Jim Fass the Grounds Manager at the Hospital and part of the structure is already in mainly contouring, some retaining walls, and some trees & shrubs. A pool with fountains will be put in sometime in April, along with walkways and benches. An abstract from a brochure describes the garden as providing a unique environment of beauty, silence and serenity. The kind that nurtures the body, mind and spirit. It will be a place to experience the outdoors as the seasons and the world change around us. The garden will be accessible both from the hospital and the parking area. It is on the southwest corner of the hospital.

**Our opportunity** is to work with them to do the following:

- plan plantings, including bed design/placement, plant selection, and plant identification (focus will be on perennial plantings with some seasonal annuals)
- some possible specialty beds are medicinal herbs, butterfly/hummingbird, fragrance, accessible plantings
- on-going light maintenance, e.g. deadheading, training vines, etc.
- public education via garden with the MG or possibly special programs such as guided garden walks
- other ideas we may have along the way

The Grounds staff will handle purchasing plants and do all the bed preparation, planting, and ongoing heavy maintenance.

**Interested?** Contact Liz McClellan [Liz@BrainRight.com](mailto:Liz@BrainRight.com) or call 262-252-5302.

I'd like to form a team (including identifying a Co-Chair) to work with Jim Fass. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible as we need to get our plans under way so they can order the plants.