

## **Clarence Riechmann**

The Riechmann Indoor Pavilion is dedicated to the memory of Clarence Riechmann, a charter member of the Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club of Columbia beginning in 1947.

Mr. Riechmann was very active in the Cosmo Club, serving as club treasurer for 37 years. He maintained perfect attendance for 51 years. In his role as Treasurer, Mr. Riechmann was especially resourceful in finding funds for parks and recreation projects. He was among the members involved in developing the original Cosmopolitan Park in 1949.

Mr. Riechmann passed away in October 2003, however, Columbia Parks and Recreation staff is pleased to welcome members of the Riechmann family to today's dedication. The City of Columbia is grateful to both the Cosmopolitan Club and Mr. Riechmann for their many contributions to the Parks and Recreation Department and our community.

### **Special Thanks:**

A special thanks is expressed to the Citizens of Columbia for approving the funding for this project.



## **The Dedication of Clarence Riechmann Indoor Pavilion**

Stephens Lake Park  
April 29, 2006



**City of Columbia, Missouri**

The inception of Stephens Lake Park and the Clarence Riechmann Indoor Pavilion began in November 2000 when Columbia voters approved a parks sales tax to purchase and develop 111 acres on Broadway in central-eastern Columbia. Officials from the City and Stephens College completed the transaction in 2001. Columbia Parks and Recreation staff, with a tremendous amount of public input, started planning the park in April 2001.

An indoor shelter was included in the master plan for Stephens Lake Park. The Riechmann Indoor Pavilion was completed in early 2006 and is now available for public rental. The shelter is also the home of Parks and Recreation's Camp Adventure and numerous life enrichment classes.

The attractive one-story building constructed of red cedar timbers sits on a hilltop overlooking the park and lake. The 2,000+ square-foot main room has a vaulted ceiling and offers a scenic view through the large wall of windows.

The City of Columbia appreciates the support shown by the community and the Cosmo Club for the Riechmann Indoor Pavilion. Thank you for being here today to share in the dedication ceremony.

## **DEDICATION PROGRAM**

**Clarence Riechmann Indoor Pavilion**

**10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 29**

Welcome and Introductions ~ Mr. Mike Hood, Director, Columbia Parks and Recreation Department

Remarks ~ Mr. Bill Watkins, City Manager, City of Columbia

Remarks ~ Mayor Darwin Hindman, City of Columbia

Remarks ~ Columbia Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club

Remarks ~ Clarence Riechmann Family

Ribbon Cutting ~ Columbia Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors

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Brian Ash (former Sixth Ward representative)

Bill Watkins, City Manager

Mike Hood, Parks and Recreation Director

### **Columbia Parks and Recreation Commission**

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