

Special Thanks:

The Citizens of Columbia
Grasslands Neighborhood Association
Mayor Darwin Hindman
Columbia City Council
City Manager Bill Watkins
Columbia Parks and Recreation Commission

**In appreciation to the following who contributed to
the success of this project:**

Richardson Excavation
Fry and Associates

*A special thank you to the Parks Services staff for their efforts
in the creation of this park.*



*Dedication of
Grasslands Park*

October 10, 2009



Grasslands Park

21 East Clarkson Road

Grasslands Park is a great example of true neighborhood support for a city park.

The land for the 8-acre park was acquired through the donations of residents in the Grasslands neighborhood. The park consists of a playground, picnic area, open play area and nature trail. Future plans include a connector trail from the park to the MKT Trail.

Two options for the park were presented to residents at a meeting in April 2008. After getting input, staff revised the park plan and brought it forward at a second meeting a month later. The final plan for the park was approved by Council in June 2008. Construction was completed during the spring and summer of 2009.

Funding for Grasslands Park came from donations from the Grasslands neighborhood and the voter-approved Park Sales Tax.

Thank you for being here today at the dedication ceremony.

**Columbia Parks and Recreation:
Creating Community through People, Parks, and Programs**

**Dedication and Ribbon-Cutting
10:00 am, Saturday, October 10, 2009**

Welcome ~ Mike Hood, Director, Columbia Parks and Recreation

Remarks ~ Mayor Darwin Hindman, City of Columbia

Ribbon Cutting

City Council

Darwin Hindman, Mayor

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