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Woodridge Park

Rededication and Ribbon Cutting

In honor of Dr. LeRoy J. "Doc" Miller

May 26, 2016

The newly renovated Woodridge Park is bound to be a popular destination for families. The park features a new inclusive playground, as well as a .4 mile concrete walking trail with connectors, single table shelter and council ring.

The playground includes poured-in-place surfacing, ground-level features, music therapy, ramps and a group swing. The features are designed to serve children of all abilities.



Woodridge Park improvements were made possible by a \$125,000 donation by long-time Parks and Recreation partners, the Columbia Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club. This generous donation served as a match for a \$75,000 grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), administered by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Private donations from Columbia residents totaling \$13,000 make up the remainder of project funding.

Woodridge Park was selected as the site of the inclusive playground because of its proximity to the Ronald McDonald House, Thompson Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders, and the Women's and Children's Hospital. Trail connections provide easy access to Woodridge. The park and playground offer a relaxing, safe place for families visiting those facilities to recreate and spend time together, as well as the neighborhood.

We appreciate the support by project donors and partners, as well as all Columbia citizens, making projects such as this one possible.

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Rededication and ribbon cutting
5:15 p.m., May 26, 2016

- Opening ~ Mike Griggs, Director, Columbia Parks and Recreation
- Remarks ~ Dawn Frederickson, Missouri Dept. of Natural Resources
- Remarks ~ Angela Huntington, Ronald McDonald House
- Remarks ~ Myles Hinkel, Columbia parent
- Remarks ~ Phil Hanson, Columbia Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club
- Remarks ~ Dave Miller on behalf of Dr. LeRoy Miller family
- Remarks ~ Ward 3 Councilman Karl Skala
- Donor Recognition ~ Councilman Skala and Mike Griggs
- Conclusion ~ Mike Griggs
- Ribbon Cutting

City Council

Brian Treece, Mayor
Clyde Ruffin
Michael Trapp
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Ian Thomas
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Mike Matthes, City Manager
Tony St. Romaine, Deputy City Manager
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