



# NEWS RELEASE

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The Lan-Oak Park Board is proud to announce the ribbon cutting for two new playgrounds.

On June 24, 2015 the Park Board will be hosting the ribbon cutting ceremonies at Winterhoff Park in Lansing, Illinois for the families in that particular neighborhood. In addition to the ribbon cutting the Park District will be giving away hotdogs, chips and a beverage to those attending the event. The food and beverage will be available on a first come first serve basis and will be available as supplies last. The event will start at 6:00pm. In 2009 Park District officials had to remove the old playground equipment due to safety issues, vandalism and the age of the equipment. The new equipment was purchased in 2014 and installed in the Spring of 2015.

On June 30, 2015 the Park Board will be hosting the ribbon cutting ceremonies at Rotary Park in Lansing, Illinois for the families in that particular neighborhood. In addition to the ribbon cutting the Park District will be giving away hotdogs, chips and a beverage to those attending the event. The food and beverage will be available on a first come first serve basis and will be available as supplies last. The event will start at 6:00pm. The new playground replaced the play equipment that was slated for removal in 2015 for this park. The play equipment was purchased in 2014 and installed in the Spring of 2015.

To complete this work in the parks the Park Board was able to refinance its debt and obtain approximately \$700,000. The original intent to spend the \$700,000 was to use these funds to match a state grant for the renovation of Bock Park. The grant was not award to the Park District, so Plan B was enacted.

The Park Board has held true to its word that funds, such as the refinancing or obtained through a successful referendum, would be used for capital improvement throughout the District properties. The projects above are part of that commitment to our Stakeholders of Lansing.

**Media Note:** Questions on this news release may be directed to John Wilson. All contact information is listed at the top of this page. Thank you.