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MUNDELEIN PARK DISTRICT TO BREAK GROUND ON NEW RECREATION BUILDING

Mundelein, Illinois —Mundelein Park & Recreation District will kick off construction on a new recreational facility at a **groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, April 24, and the public is invited. It will be held at 6 pm at the site of the former Community Park Chalet at 888 Dunbar Road in Mundelein.**

The District's Executive Director, Margaret Resnick, will speak about details of the future building as well as Park District Board Members. Renderings of the building's exterior and floor plans will also be featured.

The new building will include a gymnasium, activity room, dance studio, fitness studio and instructional kitchen. Two new tennis courts will be built once the building is complete. The new facility is scheduled to open late spring/early summer 2018.

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Resnick explains, “Additional program space has become a big issue for the District. We have been working with other agencies to hold programs at their locations or have used some of our spaces that may have been less than ideal for the activity. We are excited to start the construction for this new facility that will offer so much to the Mundelein community.”

In October of 2015, the Park District was notified that it was receiving a grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for \$2,363,800 for the construction of the new recreational facility. In January of 2016, all grants were suspended due to the State’s financial challenges. The district was notified this past August that the grant was reinstated and the District is now moving ahead with the construction project. The District’s current debt will be retired in 2017 and new bonds were issued to keep the tax rate level. This means the residents of Mundelein will be able to enjoy this new, 12,000 square foot facility without an increase in their property tax rate. Expenses to operate the building will be paid for by revenue generated through activities held at the new building.

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