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Community Playground Media Opportunities

This is the week! This week more than 800 volunteers will assemble nearly \$200,000 in materials in Amish barn raising style. The result? A playground like no other.

The following schedule is meant as a media guide to assist in capturing the incredible community spirit and dedication that is creating a playground that at its very root is the dreams and imaginations of our own community youth. All activities take place at the build site located in Freedom Park at Terry's Corner on Camano Island.

By the way... we can still use more volunteers and tools to help make this happen.

Tuesday May 18th

Pre-Build Activities: The site will undergo its major transition as hundreds of holes are drilled in preparation for posts to be placed in the following day as well as numerous other activities in preparation for the huge numbers of volunteers for the next five days. Time: 8am – 5pm.

Site Captain meeting: The site captains and project committee will be briefed by the designers on the project and their roles. This is a great opportunity for Q&A to both the construction leads and designers. Time 6pm at the Windermere Real Estate Offices at Terry's Corner.

Wednesday May 19th

Build Activity: Hundreds of volunteers fill three shifts from 8am to 8pm under the leadership of site captains and the designers. This is a photo opportunity rich environment. The project committee is taking time lapsed photography of the build and will make the approximate 2 minute video available after the project is completed.

Thursday May 20th

Build Activity: Hundreds of volunteers fill three shifts from 8am to 8pm under the leadership of site captains and the designers. This is a photo opportunity rich environment. The project committee is taking time lapsed photography of the build and will make the approximate 2 minute video available after the project is completed.

Special Note: More than 75 Home Depot employees will join in the project this day!

Friday May 21st

Build Activity: Hundreds of volunteers fill three shifts from 8am to 8pm under the leadership of site captains and the designers. This is a photo opportunity rich environment. The project committee is taking time lapsed photography of the build and will make the approximate 2 minute video available after the project is completed.

Special Note: 22 second graders from a local school will be on-site this morning as part of their school curriculum on community participation. They will be painting fish and other items that will be included the playground. The back story of these kids, their teacher's initiative in setting this in motion and their enthusiasm is extremely impressive.

Saturday May 22nd

Build Activity: Hundreds of volunteers fill three shifts from 8am to 8pm under the leadership of site captains and the designers. This is a photo opportunity rich environment. The project committee is taking time lapsed photography of the build and will make the approximate 2 minute video available after the project is completed.

Sunday May 23rd

Build Activity: Hundreds of volunteers fill two shifts from 8am to 5pm under the leadership of site captains and the designers. This is a photo opportunity rich environment. The project committee is taking time lapsed photography of the build and will make the approximate 2 minute video available after the project is completed.

Special Note: The official ribbon cutting (the ribbon is a paper chain made by area youth) is expected to be no later than 6pm but because of the nature of the project some flexibility is required. The short ceremony will include an interview by Jake Whittenberg of KING TV of a local youth on the project and short selected remarks by other individuals. After the short ceremony it will be a race to the slide, swings or other components by everyone.

Monday May 24th

Final inspection: The designers will conduct their final inspection on the playground.

Complete information on the designers, Leathers and Associates, the project committee and donors is available on-line at www.iHeartParks.org.

The Rotary Adventure Playground is a community effort. Volunteers and donations are what will make this playground a reality for our children. Donations may be made to the Stanwood Camano Area Foundation on behalf of the project. More information is available at iHeartParks.org or by calling 360-629-2900.

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