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Naming Contest Ends in Tie!

A community-wide naming contest for the new community built playground to be built this Spring at Freedom Park has ended in a draw explained project coordinator Greg Gilday. “We received several dozen name submissions and after several weeks of voting no clear winner emerged,” said Gilday. Instead, the group found wide-spread support for a majority of the names suggested.

The iHeartParks project committee will work closely with the lead sponsor, the Stanwood Camano Rotary Club, to identify common themes to synthesize a name that reflects the spirit of submitted names and the overall community.

“We had offered a grand prize of a pizza party for the winner,” explained Gilday, “but with this wrinkle we have opted to give every child who submitted a name the opportunity to place their name, or a name of their choosing, on one of the fence pickets that will surround the playground.” Fence pickets are one option available to community members to support the project at \$35 per picket. “We will be contacting entrants to thank them and provide information on how to have their picket prepared.”

The new community built playground is created through donations of time, talent, materials and cash from every member of the Stanwood Camano Community. The project will break ground next Spring with an intensive build process for five days. “The build relies on having all of the necessary components and volunteers to make the magic of dreams become reality,” said Gilday. An extensive list of components and opportunities for individuals and businesses is available on-line at www.iHeartParks.org.

The Stanwood Camano Community 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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