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## **RIBBON CUTTING EVENT CELEBRATES NEW AMPHITHEATER IN BROOKLYN CENTER**

Residents, businesses and other community members will soon have a new amphitheater to showcase their events. On October 6, 2015 at 5:30 pm, a Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Event will be held at the new Centennial Civic & Veterans Memorial Amphitheater at 6301 Shingle Creek Parkway, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota. The public is invited and should bring a lawn chair for seating.

The amphitheater started out as an idea to promote the community and leave a lasting legacy of the Centennial celebration. The idea soon transformed into a community venture. Since the creation of the Amphitheater Committee on April 6, 2011, committee members have diligently focused their time and efforts to raise money for the construction of an amphitheater.

After 4½ years of diligent fundraising, the Brooklyn Center Centennial Civic & Veterans Memorial Amphitheater is ready to showcase community events. As an active community member for decades, Amphitheater Committee Chair Dr. Orn says, "The amphitheater will be appreciated by all members of the community for generations to come, a legacy for our City."

The amphitheater will be located in Centennial Park, a popular location for taking photos of family and celebrations. According to Staff Liaison Sue LaCrosse, "We are already receiving requests to rent the amphitheater and are planning future events."

The total cost of construction is \$564,000, with more than \$356,000 raised through donations. One of the largest donations in the amount of \$150,000 was contributed by local business owner Luther Automotive Group. A plaque will commemorate those entities that donated \$500 or more. Other individuals, businesses, or groups made donations through the purchase of engraved brick pavers. Donations will continue to be accepted to address future maintenance costs.

More information is available on the City website at [www.cityofbrooklyncenter.org](http://www.cityofbrooklyncenter.org) or by viewing the event [Invitation](#).

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