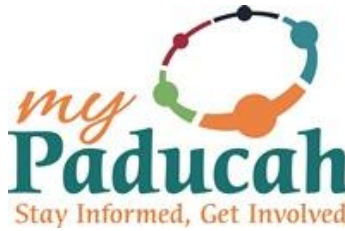


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Kentucky Recreation & Park Society Honors Chris Reid of Independence Bank



PADUCAH – In addition to honoring Paducah Parks Services with the Outstanding Class 1 Department Award at the Kentucky Recreation & Park Society's (KRPS) annual conference held November 12-14 in Owensboro, KRSP presented Independence Bank President and CEO Mr. Chris Reid with a Special Citation Award. This award is given to recognize individuals, private industry, or agencies that have given outstanding help or aid in the field of recreation or leisure time pursuits.

Reid and Independence Bank received the Special Citation due to the development of Independence Park located at the corner of Lone Oak Road and Alben Barkley Drive. It's a fenced park with a gazebo, benches, irrigation, and climbing boulders for the kids. The gate to enter the park is off Forest Circle.

Members of Independence Bank, City officials, and the community dedicated Independence Park on October 30, 2013. Rides for children were provided on the bank's kid-friendly locomotive. The park site was originally intended for the bank's two-story signature location which has now been built just past the park on Broadway. After community members expressed concerns about the property being used for commercial purposes, the bank decided to donate the land to the City of Paducah and build a park for the community to enjoy.

Reid's character and leadership has earned him respect from the citizens of Paducah. "We commend him for his consideration and caring for his community," says Terri Wilkerson, president of KRPS.

Paducah Parks Services Director Mark Thompson says, "Chris Reid and Independence Bank are A+ corporate citizens. We at Paducah Parks have had a wonderful opportunity to work on some top notch events and projects with Mr. Reid and the Independence Bank staff. These include the coordination, construction and donation of Independence Park to the City of Paducah and the city-wide free concert with Sheryl Crow and Gary Allan. The bank has an ongoing relationship with the neighborhood offering repeated free family gatherings at Independence Park. We are proud to have them among our corporate partners."



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To celebrate the grand opening of the new bank built just down the road from Independence Park, Reid and Independence Bank provided a free outdoor concert, Sounds of Independence, on October 19, 2013 next to Paducah's riverfront featuring top artists Sheryl Crow and Gary Allan.

For more information about the Kentucky Recreation & Park Society, visit www.kyrps.org.

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