

ROTARY ARBORETUM SIGN GETS DEDICATED, YOUTH SPRUCE UP PARKS

A new sign at the Rotary Arboretum, 5100 W. 27th St., was dedicated Tuesday, June 8.



Parks and Recreation staff, Rotary leadership, Middlemas and high school volunteers participate in ribbon-cutting ceremony.

More than 80 volunteers from high schools in Northeast Kansas were on hand for the dedication. These youths were attending a Rotary Youth Leadership Academy camp at the University of Kansas and participated in a community service day prior to the ceremony. They mulched landscape beds, planted wildflowers and annual flowers, and painted benches and trash barrels in the area. These students will become ambassadors for Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department, taking information about the Lawrence Rotary Arboretum back to their communities.



The new native limestone destination sign, designed and carved by local stone worker and artisan Keith Middlemas, was dedicated by Rotary leadership and Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department staff. The sign was funded by all three local Rotary clubs—the Lawrence Rotary, Lawrence Central Rotary and Jayhawk Breakfast Rotary—and by the City, both contributing 50 percent.



RYLA campers, Rotary leadership and Parks and Recreation staff pose with the new sign.

