

Orland Park Music Video Debuts at State of the Village

Mayor McLaughlin Closes Address with "Home" Video

ORLAND PARK, IL – Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin delivered his 2013 State of the Village Address at the Orland Park Chamber of Commerce's annual breakfast on February 28. The mayor's speech was highlighted with videos showcasing different aspects of the community, including business development, new residential areas and Downtown Orland Park.

The mayor closed his comments with the debut of Orland Park's first ever music video produced by the village's Office of Public Information with Eyclight Studios of Orland Park.

"Orland Park's 'Home' video was a great way to close the recap of the many accomplishments of the last year," McLaughlin said. "The video shows that we have an incredibly talented community," the mayor said.

The Orland Park production showcases village facilities and special events, historical landmarks, new businesses and local groups as volunteer musicians perform.

"Thank you to everyone who was a part of this project," said Trustee Jim Dodge, chair of the village's Technology and Community Outreach Committee. "And, we're happy that our videographer was an Orland Park company," Dodge said.

"It is really a community showcase with kids from a lot of the schools that serve Orland Park, the scouts, the junior high orchestra and Sandburg's marching band --- absolutely outstanding," Dodge said.

Local performers appearing in the video include Lawrence March, an instructor at Orland Park Music Go Round; Dan Nevinger, a host of the village's cable show who performs with the village's theatre troupe; Frann Carnivele, resident director/producer for the village's theatre troupe and Desiree Harris, a longtime Orland Park resident who is the lead vocalist for the band Libido Funk Circus.

"We thought this would be a great way to showcase some of Orland Park's many talents and attributes in a fun and interesting way," said Village Manager Paul Grimes, who suggested the video showcase.

"Within the first 24 hours, we had several hundred hits on the village's YouTube channel," Dodge said. "We've also heard from former residents around the country who have enjoyed seeing the tribute to their hometown," he said.

“The response to the video has been phenomenal,” McLaughlin said, “People love seeing their neighbors and friends, the landmarks, the kids --- everything. It’s a great tribute to the people of Orland Park.”

The video can be viewed on the village’s YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/VillageofOrlandPark.