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Conference Encourages Recreation & Parks Professionals to “Rise to the Occasion”

Landscape Structures-sponsored Keynote Ian Hill addresses power of recreation & parks
Delano, Minn. (Jan. 3, 2013) — Landscape Structures Inc., a Delano, Minn.-based commercial playground manufacturer, along with its New England playground consultant, M.E. O’Brien & Sons, Inc., is scheduled to exhibit at the 64th Annual Northern New England Recreation & Parks Conference Jan. 8, in Bartlett, N.H. The conference will feature Ian Hill, one of North America's foremost advocates for the recreation and parks profession, as the keynote speaker. This learning experience was made possible through the 2012-2013 State Association Speaker Scholarship program from Landscape Structures.

In his keynote address, Ian will address the power and potential of recreation and parks. He will make the case that for those in the sector to seize and realize the potential of recreation and parks they must have the ability to form partnerships and build consensus, to inspire and move others towards a common goal, and tap into the collective intelligence and energy of all stakeholders and act as a catalyst to get things done. Attendees will leave this keynote address energized, inspired and equipped to take on the challenges that they face in the changing times.

The 75-minute session will be presented on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 1 p.m. Following the session, delegates will have the opportunity to visit M.E. O’Brien & Sons and Landscape Structures in the exhibit hall to learn about the latest trends in playground design including custom and theme designs, concrete as a playground material and creating truly inclusive play environments.

About Landscape Structures Inc.

Since 1971, Landscape Structures Inc. has been the leading commercial playground equipment manufacturer in the world. The employee-owned company is committed to making the world a better place with active children

thriving in leading communities year after year, generation after generation. Landscape Structures encourages outdoor play that develops healthy kids and a sustainable world by creating innovative products that are environmentally responsible. The company's mission from day one has been to enhance children's lives by fostering and creating inspiring play experiences while honoring the environment.

About O'Brien & Sons, Inc.

Family operated, O'Brien & Sons, Inc. is the leading supplier of outdoor recreation equipment in New England. The company provides product and consultation for items such as playground equipment, site furnishings, steel shelter/pavilions, bleachers, athletic equipment, water play splash pads and much more! Founded in 1929, O'Brien & Sons continues to provide customers with high-quality equipment at competitive prices and with the top-notch service they deserve. A third generation of the O'Brien family is now providing the same quality as prior leadership, and they strive to ensure that their name will be associated only with the finest manufacturers, and caring, courteous service to clients backed by undeviating integrity. O'Brien & Sons understands that the endurance of a company depends on how well it regards its customers. They require value, quality, responsiveness, courtesy and fairness. O'Brien & Son's products and service reflect that fact.