

Kettering wins award for skate park

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KETTERING — Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department will receive its third Daniel Flaherty Park Excellent Award next month, according to William Tschirhart, the city's business service manager.

The city is receiving the award, presented by the Great Lakes Park Training Institute, honors the Rob Dyrdek/DC Shoes Foundation Skate Plaza, which Tschirhart said is the first of its kind street skating plaza.

The award will be presented Feb. 18 at Pokagon State Park in Angola, Ind..

The skate park is located at Indian Riffle Park, 2801 E. Stroop Road and is named after Professional skateboarder and Kettering native Rob Dyrdek. It is "40,000 square feet and is designed for street skateboarding by incorporating urban terrain elements such as benches, rails and ledges," Tschirhart said.

Dyrdek is also one half of the duo featured in the MTV reality series, Rob & Big.

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