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## Senator Grisanti, Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy Turn On New Fountain At Hoyt Lake

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The Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy and Senator Mark Grisanti, Chairman of the Environmental Conservation Committee, celebrate significant steps toward improving water quality in Delaware Park. The Buffalo Olmsted Park Conservancy announces the installation of an impressive new fountain in Hoyt Lake in Delaware Park. This is a recreation of the historic fountain installed in 1895, when the lake was known as "The Gala Waters". The new fountain will not only add to the beauty of the park space, but will also help address community concerns regarding the water conditions in Delaware Park's historic lake.

The new fountain is part of a larger effort to improve water quality conditions in Hoyt Lake and the entire Scajaquada Creek watershed and was made possible by a grant from NYS Department of Environmental Conservation initiated by Senator Mark Grisanti. The \$100,000 grant attracted an additional \$90,000 in matching funds from the Army Corps of Engineers to conduct a study of the sediment in the lake to help with future lake restoration efforts. The fountain will have a central jet that will shoot 50 feet in the air surrounded by lower water jets that reach 25 feet.

"This is a great day in Western New York and especially here at Hoyt Lake. I want to thank everyone at the Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy for their hard work, we have developed a great partnership in keeping our parks beautiful. This is just the beginning of the many more projects to come, said Senator Mark Grisanti, Chairman of the Environmental Conservation Committee.

"We are grateful for the great support we have received from the Senator and his staff in getting this project completed, and look forward to enjoying this fountain and improved water conditions in Hoyt Lake" said Herrera-Mishler.

The Conservancy is partnering with Riverkeeper, who is leading many other stakeholders such as the City of Buffalo, Erie County, DEC, Fish and Wildlife and the Water and Sewer Authorities in efforts to improve the water quality in Scajaquada Creek.