

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

Waukegan Park District Annual Fishing Derby Saturday, June 2, 2018 Bevier Pond

WAUKEGAN, IL (May 18, 2018)... The Waukegan Park District Annual Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the pond in Bevier Park from 8am to 10am. Prior to the Derby, Bevier is stocked with several hundred pounds of catfish. Great prizes are awarded for the largest fish caught according to age categories. Pre-registration is highly recommended as the event has become increasingly popular as a family outing. Check-in begins at 7am for pre-registered participants and registration the day of the event begins at 7:30am.

Pre-registration costs are:

Ages 12 and under	residents \$3/non-residents \$5
Ages 13 and over	residents \$5/non-residents \$7

On-site registration costs are:

Ages 12 and under	residents/nonresidents \$5
Ages 13 and over	residents/nonresidents \$7

For more information, please call (847) 782-3300 or visit www.waukeganparks.org.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 50 properties and more than 736 acres of land, including the 18-hole Bonnie Brook and 9-hole Greenshire Golf Courses. Properties are managed to the highest environmental and conservation standards. Facilities operated by the district include the Field House Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Center, the Jack Benny Center for the Arts, the Waukegan's Greg Petry SportsPark, the Waukegan Skate Park, the Waukegan BMX Track, recreational centers, disc golf course, dog exercise area and agility course, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and sports courts including basketball, tennis and pickleball. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages, from infants to seniors as well as special needs populations. Healthy lifestyles, wellness initiatives, and a connection with the outdoors and nature are integrated throughout programs, services, and special events. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert

Chorus, and the Waukegan History Museum. There is something for everyone! The award-winning District employs 62 full-time and over 230 part-time, year round, seasonal, and temporary employees. The District is a member of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD), and Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA). The district maintains national accreditation from the NRPA Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) Distinguished Agency accreditation and Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) accreditation and maintains a Level A Loss Control Program. The district was a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012 and 2013, and awarded the NRPA National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management in 2013.

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Attached are photos taken by Waukegan Park District staff at the 2017 Fishing Derby.



First in line to enter the pond at 7am and pick the best fishing spot.

