## WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

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> Waukegan Scares Up Some Fun at Halloweenfest! Saturday, October 27, 3 – 8 pm at Bowen Park

Waukegan, IL (October 11, 2007) Three great organizations - the Waukegan Park District, the Greats Lakes Credit Union and the City of Waukegan – are partnering to host the scariest event of the year – Halloweenfest! This family-oriented event offers free activities that include: a haunted house with six spine tingling rooms of fear, a haunted walk that takes you deep into the dark woods, the enchanted Walk with a Dr. Seuss theme for children ages 3-8, magic shows sure to amaze and entertain all, children's games and crafts that offer challenge and prizes, fortune teller shows that may provide insight into the future, relaxing train rides through the park, a bounce house and adrenaline maze where kids can burn off all their energy, a costume contest where you can show off your creative costume, walk around entertainment, and a live band that will fill the air with excitement. Food vendors at the event include: Dog House on Wheels, Pizza Hut, Superb Grill, and the Waukegan Chiefs Football Association. Information vendors include: the Great Lakes Credit Union, Girl Scouts of America, More Fun 4 Kids, The News Sun, and Q Research Solutions. Halloweenfest is fun for the entire family and admission is free! Food will be available for purchase. For more information, please contact the Waukegan Park District at (847) 360-4700.

## **About The Waukegan Park District**

Established December 26, 1916, the district has 47 properties and 720 acres of land, which includes the 18-hole Bonnie Brook Golf Course, 18-hole Orchard Hills Golf Courses, and the 9-hole Greenshire Golf Course. The District operates recreational centers, the Field House Sports and Fitness Center, the Jack Benny Center for the Arts, an outdoor swimming pool, outdoor sports courts and fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, the Waukegan Skate Park and the Waukegan BMX track. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages including special populations. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorus, the Bowen Park Theatre Company, the Bowen Park Opera Company and the Haines Historical Museum. Sixty-seven authorized full-time staff and over 250 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 IAPD Distinguished Agency accreditation and is also accredited with the Park District Risk Management Agency and maintains a Level A Loss Control Program.