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**ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY DECEMBER 09, 2007
1:00-4:00 pm
FREE**

**At the Historical Society Museum and Lilac Cottage
in Bowen Park (1917 North Sheridan Road)**

The Waukegan Historical Society is hosting its Free Annual Holiday Open House on Sunday December 09, 2007 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Historical Society Museum and Lilac Cottage in Bowen Park. Come out to enjoy this free event and experience the beautiful Haines Farmhouse decorated to reflect the Victorian splendor and to listen to music provided by the Waukegan High School Music Department and by Jane Haeger on the flute and dulcimer. Refreshments will be served along with the opportunity for children to make their own Victorian Christmas Tree ornaments. The Historical Society Museum will be decorated through January 12, 2008.

Other Waukegan Historical Society Exhibits:

Snapshots of Waukegan: 1840s through the 1960s. Photograph exhibit located in the City of Waukegan Parking Garage Retail Space at the corner of Clayton and County Street. 20 oversized photographs show the historical past of Waukegan from the 1840s through the 1960s. No set closing date for the exhibit. Exhibit also sponsored by the City of Waukegan.

WAUKEGAN LISTENS! From the Phonograph and Radio, to the MP3. The exhibit located in the Waukegan Historical Society Museum focuses on the history of listening devices such as the phonograph, radio, 8-track, cassette tape, compact disc, and MP3 players. The Jack Benny Radio Program, WKRS Radio Station, and the Fansteel Factory are also featured. Exhibit up through June 1, 2008.

If you'd like more information about this topic, photographs pertaining to the exhibits, or to schedule an interview with Ty Rohrer, please call the Waukegan Historical Society Museum at 847-336-1859 or email at museum@waukeganhistorical.org