WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

NEWS RELEASE

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The Waukegan Park District and City of Waukegan announced the 2007 Independence Parade Winners on July 1, 2007. Although all of the 92 entries were clearly outstanding, only a chosen few had the honor of placing in individual categories. The following is a list of the winners in this year's parade.

Best Overall Entry Sponsored by the City of Waukegan: Puerto Rican Society

Best Band Sponsored by Smith & LaLuzerne, Ltd.:

- 1. West Allis/West Milwaukee Lancer Band
- 2. Waukegan High School Marching Band
- 3. Waukegan Municipal Band

Best Dramatic/Humorous Entry Sponsored by Brogan's Awards

- 1. Jesse White Tumbling Team Chicago
- 2. Waukegan Park District Sheridan the Star/Clown Troupe
- 3. Jesse White Tumbling Team Waukegan

Best Theme Presentation Sponsored by Semec Contractors

- 1. Jolly Giants Stilt Walkers
- 2. Waukegan Public Works Department
- 3. Waukegan Jazz Steppers Drill Team

Best Drill Team Sponsored by Air Con Refrigeration and Heating

- 1. South Shore Drill Team
- 2. Angel Drill Team
- 3. Waukegan Jazz Steppers

Best Walking Entry Sponsored by Domestic Uniform Rental

- 1. Waukegan Community Church
- 2. Nilaja's Belly Dancers
- 3. D.A.N.K. German American National Congress

Best Decorated Float Sponsored by Waukegan Tire & Supply Company

- 1. Waukegan Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association
- 2. Waukegan Township Magic of Music
- 3. AAUW Nursery School

Bike Decorating Contest Sponsored by The May Family and Midwest Bicycle & Billards Grand Prize Winner: Tray Gillentine

Color Category:

- 1. Tray Gillentine
- 2. Liliana Legulzamo

Theme Category:

- 1. Monroe Dixson
- 2. Estaban Leguizamo

Originality Category:

- 1. Tray Gillentine
- 2. Joseph RacKovitch

For more information about the Independence Festivities please call Mike at 847-360-4700.

About The Waukegan Park District

The Waukegan Park District, encompassing 46 neighborhood and community parks with 719 acres of land, serves the culturally-diverse community of Waukegan through its traditional and non-traditional parks-sports programming for the entire family as well as leisure programming for senior adults. Park District programming also encompasses professional music, dance, theatre and visual arts instruction through the Jack Benny Center for the Arts, cultural enrichment through the Waukegan Symphony and Concert Chorus, the Bowen Park Opera and Theatre Companies, and other quality educational, historical and craft programs through the Bowen Heritage Circle.