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# WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

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### **TURKEY TROT 2007**

#### **Run, Trot, Walk, Gobble, or Crawl for a Chance at a Turkey**

**Waukegan, IL (November 10, 2007)** – Join the Waukegan Park District on Saturday, November 10, 2007 at Belvidere Park for our annual Turkey Trot. Registration begins at 9:30am, with races to start at 10:00am. All registrants must donate two cans of food which will be donated to a local food bank.

Races will be held for the following age groups: 6 months & under, 7 months to 1 year, 2-3 years, 4-5 years, 6-7 years, 8-10 years, 11-to 14 years, 15-17 years, 18-23 years, 24-29 years, 30-39 years, 40-49 years, 50-59 years, and 60 & up. Race lengths range from 5 yards to 1 mile depending on age group. First place finishers in each age group will receive a turkey and first place ribbon. All participants will receive a participation ribbon. Everyone at the event will be entered into a drawing to win a free turkey. All participants must sign a waiver to participate.

#### **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.

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