

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

Waukegan Fire vs Gurnee Fire Charity Hockey Match

Waukegan, IL (March 21, 2018)...The Waukegan Park District is proud to present the second annual Waukegan Fire vs Gurnee Fire Charity Hockey Match on Saturday, April 14 at 6:15pm at the RecPlex Ice Arena in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin. The charity match proceeds will benefit the Waukegan Park District Camp Scholarship Fund which will be used to ensure summer camp experiences for children.

Pre-game tickets are \$7 per person, ages three years and older, and on sale until April 12th at the Belvidere Recreation Center, at 412 S. Lewis Avenue, and at the Field House Sports, Fitness, and Aquatics Center, 800 Baldwin Avenue, Waukegan. After April 12, tickets may be purchased at the door for \$10 per person, ages three years and older; children under three are free. Tickets must be presented at the door on the night of the event.

During the game, Chuck a Puck will be played for various prizes such as Great America passes, Blackhawks tickets, a three month family gold membership pass to the Field House Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Center and more. There will also be exciting raffle prizes. Pucks may be purchased for \$3 each and raffle tickets are \$1 each. Food will be available for purchase at the concession stand.

Jennifer Dumas, Waukegan Park District Recreation Supervisor and Charity Match Coordinator, says the charity game is a great example of the community working together to make a difference. Thanks to firefighters from Waukegan and Gurnee for taking part in this event and contributing to a worthy cause. A special thank you to the RecPlex Ice Arena for making the ice rink available; the players appreciate playing at the state of the art facility. Also, thank you to the many businesses that have donated prizes, adding excitement to the event and providing the opportunity for additional funds to be raised. Hockey match partners include Waukegan Park District, Waukegan Firefighters, Gurnee Firefighters, and RecPlex Ice Arena. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information, visit www.waukeganparks.org or call (847) 360-4700.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 48 sites and more than 735 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 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 61 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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