

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

HALLOWEENFEST SCARES UP FAMILY FUN AT A NEW TIME!

**Saturday, October 27
1 – 5 pm at Bowen Park**

Waukegan, IL (October 22, 2018) Halloweenfest, the scariest event of the year, is hosted by the Waukegan Park District at Bowen Park, located on the corner of Sheridan Road and Greenwood Avenue. This year, Halloweenfest will take place from 1-5pm. This event is a fun, safe venue for children and youth and loaded with games, treats and activities that will delight the whole family; below are some of the favorites:

- Trick or Treat Trail for kids (1-5pm)
- I- Spy Wagon Ride through the park (1-5pm)
- Children's Games that offer challenges and prizes (1-5pm)
- A family Juggling Show sure to amaze and entertain all (2-5pm)
- Storytelling at the campfire (2-5pm)
- Euro Bungee Jump, Pumpkin and Mad Science inflatables and the Alien Adventure Interactive Play System (1-5pm)
- Music that fills the air with excitement (1-5pm)
- Haunted School Bus to add a scare (3-7pm)
- Zombie Zumba Dance Zone (2-5pm)

Halloweenfest is fun for the entire family and admission is free! Costumes are encouraged and add to the festivities. Dogs attending the event must be kept on a leash, be friendly, and display vaccination tags. Food will be available for purchase at the event from the following vendors: Fast Eddies, Grub N Go, Jammin' Concessions, and Concert Call Popcorn. Other vendors include: First Student Bus Company providing a Haunted Bus, Family Focus, Lake County Health Department, Community Action Partnership, Chiro One, T-Mobile, North Shore Gas & Com Ed Energy Efficiency Program, and the Waukegan Public Library.

Special thanks to Baxter Credit Union and ULINE for their generous support of Halloweenfest. The Waukegan Park District is grateful to all of its sponsors and volunteers for their outstanding support and partnership in making this year's Halloweenfest an exciting event for all ages. For more information, please contact the Waukegan Park District at (847) 360-4700.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 50 properties and more than 736 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's Greg Petry 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 is 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 62 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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