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Play Ball at Walleye Weekend

(4/30/09)- It's that time of the year again. Walleye Weekend is right around the corner and that means it is time to get out your old baseball glove and get some practice swings in before the Walleyball Softball Tournament.

Walleye Weekend is held June 12th, 13th and 14th at Lakeside Park in Fond du Lac. The softball tournament, sponsored by Wells Manufacturing and Alliant Energy, will start Friday the 12th and continue until Sunday. Co-ed teams of 10-16 high school-aged participants will compete for a trophy, t-shirts and bragging rights.

"I think that Walleyball is so popular because of all the excitement going on at once. Softball is a very popular sport as it is, and when we have two games going on at once, it's very entertaining to watch whether you're a player or a fan," said Ryan Sheehy, co-chair of this year's tournament.

Registration forms for Walleyball, as well as other events at Walleye Weekend, can be picked up at Fond du Lac Festivals located at 650 N. Main St. Registration forms are also available at the Fond du Lac YMCA, the Fond du Lac Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau, the Fond du Lac Recreation Center, Attitude Sports or visit www.fdlfest.com. Registration is only \$40 a team and is nonrefundable.

“The thing I'm looking most forward to this year at Walleyball is the fans. Last year we had a lot of fans watching all the games going on, and I'm looking forward to seeing even more this year,” said Sheehy.

Fond du Lac Festivals is aware there is an ACT test on the Saturday morning of the tournament and is working with participants to accommodate those taking the test.

The 32nd Annual Walleye Weekend is sponsored by Charter Communications, Fox Valley Savings Bank, Mercury Marine, Michels Corporation, Miller Lite, Yar-Craft Boats and Pepsi Americas.

Fond du Lac Festivals, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded in 1983 with a mission to direct, promote, and support festivals and special events that showcase the Fond du Lac community. The organization, with a great deal of help and support from the community, is responsible for Walleye Weekend, Light Up the City, and Horicon Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac. These events benefit more than 100 local non-profit organizations.