

Volunteer BREC

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SCARY-GOOD Volunteer Opportunities with BREC-A-BOO!

October is so packed with events that it's scary! There is a wide array of volunteer opportunities within the fall season from movies to hikes, but for the Halloween lovers, BREC-A-BOO is the one for YOU. Happening throughout two weeks in three different locations, this phantom-tastic event consists of carnival games, ghostly visitors, costume contests, haunted hikes through trails and woods and so much more!

Volunteers have the opportunity to help out the little princesses and superheroes in the children's village, while other volunteers may participate in the 'frightening experience' on the haunted trail. This year, volunteers have the opportunity to participate in the building of the different haunted scenes for the haunted trail. Have you always wanted to be in a haunted house? BREC also gives you the opportunity to give screams and scares to visitors on the trail, if they dare enter. BREC will provide costumes, props and haunting



decorations or you can help contribute the scene. BREC is also needs volunteers to serve as zombies in the Zombie 5k Run at Forest Community Park on October 28. This year's BREC-A-BOO Halloween events are the following:

- Greenwood Community Park
 Thursday, October 12 (9 11 a.m.) / Ages 6 & younger (5:30 8:30 p.m.) / All ages
 Friday, October 13 (5:30 8:30 p.m.) / All ages
- Forest Community Park
 Friday, October 27 (9 11 a.m.) / Ages 6 & younger (5:30 8:30 p.m.) / All ages
 Saturday, October 28 (5:30 8:30 p.m.) / All ages
 Zombie 5k Run (4:30 6 p.m.)
- Gus Young Park
 Tuesday, October 31 (6:30 8:30 p.m.) / All ages

For more information, or to sign up to volunteer email volunteer@brec.org or call Monica Dugas at (225) 272-9200, ext. 446. Have a frightening good time volunteering!



PARK BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS

BREC relies on volunteers to maintain our parks and keep them safe for all residents to enjoy. BREC's park beautification projects provide the perfect opportunity to get outside. Come enjoy the outdoors while volunteering with your school, church, corporate, or community service group. We hope to have your students, staff, faculty and community members join us at one of our parks or facilities. Contact BREC's Volunteer Manager at (225) 272-9200 x 446 or volunteer@brec.org to schedule your group volunteer project

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION (click to enlarge)

HEARTS & HOOVES - Therapeutic Riding Program

Farr Park Equestrian Center 6402 River Road, Baton Rouge 70820

This program provides equine-oriented activities for the purpose of contributing to the cognitive, physical, emotional and social well-being of people with disabilities. The center welcomes adults and children, ages six and older, to participate in sessions throughout the school year every Monday at 4:30 or 6 p.m. Volunteers serve as "side walkers" as they lead the horses through the arena and trails to ensure the safety of participants. Experience with horses is NOT required. The fall semester classes run September 11 - October 16 and October 30 - December 4.

GOLF MARSHALS AND STARTERS

Dumas Memorial Golf Course 13350 Hwy. 19, Baker Flexible Scheduling Daily

Located in Greenwood Community Park, this course is approximately 15 minutes from downtown Baton Rouge. One of the best places to golf in Baton Rouge, this course is an 18-hole layout measuring 6,596 yards. BREC is seeking volunteer golf marshals and starters to help with this incredible course. Marshals are known as the course rangers and help manage the flow around the golf course. Starters are needed to help control the pace of play on the golf course by directing players to the first tee at appropriate times. Golf volunteers may qualify for reduced playing fees. For more information about volunteering at Dumas Golf Course contact Boyd Kernan at bkernan@brec.org or 225-775-9166.

PARK OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE WORK

BREC Administrative Offices 6201 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, 70806

JBREC Park Operations is looking for administrative assistance during daily work hours. Hours are flexible based on your availability. Email volunteer@brec.org to sign up

SUNSHINE SOCIAL

Milton J. Womack Park Ballroom 6201 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge 70806 Friday, September 15(6 p.m. - 9 p.m.) Theme: Anchors Away

Friday, October 20 (6-9 p.m.) Theme: Monster Mash

Costume Ball

Through a partnership with Families Helping Families of Greater Baton Rouge, BREC is able to offer themed, monthly socials for adults with cognitive and developmental disabilities and their friends and families. There will be a disc jockey, snacks, door prizes, socialization and fun. The theme for this social is Luau. Volunteers are needed to help serve food, socialize with the guests and dance, dance, dance.

MULTICULTURAL BASH

Saia Park 855 North Donmoor Avenue Saturday, September 16 (12 - 4 p.m.)

Enjoy a fun filled afternoon of meeting and greeting neighbors while participating in a host of family games and watching performances by members of the local community. Volunteers are needed to help with family fun activities.











BUFFALO FEST

Baker Municipal Center 3325 Groom Road, Baker 70714 Saturday, September 23 (2 - 6 p.m.)

Join the City of Baker and BREC for this annual event. Volunteers are needed to help with BREC recreational activities.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

Hooper Road Park (Movie Night for Adults) 6261 Guynell Road, Baton Rouge 70811 Friday, September 1 (7:30 -10:30 p.m.) Movie: Power Rangers (2017)



Howell Place Gym (72nd Avenue Park) 7717 Howell Blvd., Baton Rouge 70807 Thursday, September 7 (6 - 8:30 p.m.) Movie: Moana

Join BREC for a family movie night under the stars. Volunteers are needed to help serve popcorn and other concessions. Email volunteer@brec.org to sign up

FAMILY FUN FAIR

Perkins Road Community Park 7122 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge 70808 Saturday, September 30 (10 a.m. - noon)

Enjoy a day with your family filled with activities for all ages and thrill levels. Activities range from low impact yard games and crafts to a climbing wall, BMX and more! Volunteers are needed to help with this exciting event.

#BRECROCKS

Zachary Community Park 20055 Old Scenic Hwy, Zachary 70791 Thursday, October 5 (5 - 7 p.m.)

North Sherwood Forest Community Park 3140 N. Sherwood Forest Drive, Baton Rouge 70814 Thursday, October 5 (5 - 7 p.m.)

Participants will help us kick off our #BRECROCKS ongoing activity by painting rocks to hide in a BREC park of their choice. This nationwide trend of finding interesting painted rocks has hit Louisiana. It's a scavenger hunt of rock-u-mental proportions! Volunteers are needed to help participants with painting activities and more.

BREW AT THE ZOO

Baton Rouge Zoo 3601 Thomas Road, Baton Rouge 70807 Friday, October 6 (6 - 9 p.m.)

Friends of the Baton Rouge Zoo's fourth annual Brew at the Zoo is back, and better than ever this year. This event offers beer tasting,



food tasting, live music and animal encounters for guests over 21. Volunteers are needed to assist with the event (must be 21 years or older to volunteer). Contact Emily Bell at EBell@brzoo.org for more information or to sign up to help.

BREC-A-BOO HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Greenwood Community Park 13350 Hwy. 19, Baker 70714





Thursday, October 12 (9 - 11 a.m.) / Ages 6 & younger (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.) / All ages Friday, October 13 (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.) / All ages

Forest Community Park 13900 South Harrell's Ferry Road, Baton Rouge 70816 Friday, October 27 (9 - 11 a.m.) / Ages 6 & younger (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.) / All ages



Saturday, October 28 (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.) / All ages (Come early for the Zombie Run!)

Gus Young Park 4200 Gus Young Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Tuesday, October 31 (6:30 - 8:30 p.m.) / All ages

Throughout the month of October, we are looking for volunteers to help with haunted scenes, games and much more during BREC-a-BOO! New for this year, volunteers have the opportunity to participate in building and decorating our haunted scenes. BREC will provide costumes, props and haunting decorations or you can help contribute the scene. The event consists of carnival games, ghostly visitors, costume contests, haunted hikes and more. Email volunteer@brec.org to sign up, and please note if you would like to specifically decorate a haunted scene.

ZOMBIE 5K FUN RUN

Forest Community Park 13900 South Harrell's Ferry Road, Baton Rouge 70816 Saturday, October 28 (4:30 - 6 p.m.)

Participants are running to stay alive, but not all will make it to the end of the course! Runners avoid the undead trying to take their lives (flags), while trying to make it to safety. Zombie volunteers are needed! BREC will have costumes and make up or come in your best zombie attire.

SWAMP HAUNTED HIKES

Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center 10503 N. Oaks Hills Pkwy., Baton Rouge 70810 October 13, 20, & 27 (Games and entertainment begin at 6 p.m., trails open at dark)

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TRICK & TREAT HOWL-O-WEEN PARTY

Raising Cane's Dog Park at Forest Community Park

13900 South Harrell's Ferry Road, Baton Rouge 70816

Friday, October 20 (6 - 9p.m.)

Join us for our howl-o-ween event, perfect for all the dog loving volunteers! Volunteers are needed to help assist setup and tear down of the event, as well as the running of games and costume parade.



BOO AT THE ZOO

Baton Rouge Zoo 3601 Thomas Road, Baton Rouge 70807 October 21, 22, 28 & 29 (9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.) The Zoo invites you to join us for the Boo at the Zoo, a merry-not-scary trick or treating extravaganza. Volunteers are needed to assistance with games, tables, the Hay Maze and more! Contact Emily Bell at EBell@brzoo.org for more information or to sign up to help.

HALLOWEEN HULLABALOO

Central Sports Park 10501 Lovett Road, Central 70818 Tuesday, October 31 (5 - 8 p.m.)

The City of Central is happy to bring back its Halloween Hullabaloo for the second year, founded in October 2016 as a Trick or Treat alternative following the devastating August floods. Volunteers are needed to assist with Halloween themed activities and more! (Don't forget to wear a costume!)



HOW TO HELP

For more information about signing up for any of these volunteer opportunities, please email Monica Dugas at volunteer@brec.org, or call (225) 272-9200, ext. 446.Keep updated on BREC volunteer opportunities by signing up to receive volunteer information at BREC.org/volunteer, visit volunteermatch.com and follow Volunteer BREC on Facebook. Volunteers serving 30 or more hours with BREC in a calendar year may qualify for a \$500 state income tax deduction.



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