

Haunted Houses Reviving Spirits

Skeletons and ghosts and other evil spirits will be frightening visitors at Omaha area haunted houses to raise money for charities.

The Southeast Nebraska chapter of the National Foundation-March of Dimes has opened its haunted house on the southeast corner of Poppleton Avenue and South Twenty-eighth Street. The house will be open through Oct. 31 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and from 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Proceeds will be used for the March of Dimes' continuing fight against birth defects. The house is being cosponsored by the Omaha Jaycees, Downtown Omaha, Inc., and the Omaha Central Labor Unions.

The 10th annual Variety Club-WOW Haunted House will open Wednesday at Twenty-second and California Streets. Proceeds will go to the Variety Club Infant Stimulation Program and the Variety Club Artificial Limb Bank, both at the Meyer Children's Rehabilitation Institute.

Ghost Hours

Hours will be from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 5 to 10 p.m. Sundays. The house is closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Its last day will be Oct. 31.

KOIL this year is sponsoring three haunted houses in con-

junction with other Omaha area organizations.

Kevin's Castle of Fear has opened on 144th Street, a quarter mile south of West Center Road. Hours are from 7 to 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 31.

The house is sponsored by the West Omaha Sertoma Club and KOIL. Proceeds will be used for the club's summer youth program.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and KOIL's haunted house, Old Morgan Place, will open Thursday night. The house is located in Morgan Hollow, an area of evil spirits and ghostly things located at Sunset Speedway, 114th and State Streets. Visitors will be given a tour of the area which will end at the haunted house.

Cystic Fibrosis Benefit

Hours will be 7 to 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 31. Proceeds will be used to benefit the cystic fibrosis fund drive now under way.

The Millard Jaycees and KOIL will be sponsoring a haunted house on 108th Street, a half-mile south of Harrison Street. Starting Friday, it will be open daily through Oct. 31 from 7 to 11 p.m. Proceeds will be used for community projects of the Jaycees.

KOIL Program Director Steve Brown said Ralf and the

Force, who have been dropping off tapes of the legend of Morgan Hollow and Kevin's Castle which has been broadcast on the station, will make appearances at each of the three haunted houses. He said the station has received numerous calls about Ralf.

The Fort Calhoun Jaycees haunted house is located on North Seventy-second Street in Washington County just north of the Douglas County line. Starting Thursday it will be open from 7 to 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and from 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Its last night will be Oct. 30. Proceeds will go to Omaha Youth for Christ and other youth-related activities.

Go to Jail

The Council Bluffs Jaycees, KRCB, and the Historical Society of Pottawattamie County will open their haunted house Friday at the squirrel cage jail, 226 Pearl Street, in the Bluffs.

Jail cells were decorated by students from Bluffs schools. The house will be open through Oct. 31 from 6 to 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and on Fridays and Saturdays from 6 p.m. until the crowds stop coming, a spokesman said.

Proceeds will be divided among the sponsors to help needy persons and to restore the old Pottawattamie jail.