

## **BAKAS PARENT MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 3, 2010**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> – Challenged Show
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> – Special Olympics coaches training
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Parent Meeting
- April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> – Area Special Olympics at Bakas
- April 24<sup>th</sup> – Rider Banquet at All People's

### **NEED LIST:**

People to get involved with Area Special Olympics and Rider Banquet.

The meeting was attended by Beth Harre-Orr, Kim and Michael Hajaistron, Sandra VanDijk, Amy Chirinos and Christina Freeman, Deni Andretta, Catherine McLain, Pam, Bret, and Ryan Curry, Carol Barker, Bozena Gasior, Barbara Swisher, Patty, James and Christa Haislop, and Annette Thompson

Kim went over last month's minutes and Sandra stated that the Treasurer's Report was not done because the books are at the accountant's office for the taxes. She did state that a \$10,000 18 month CD has been opened. Our tax exempt certificate has been renewed this year. A big thank you goes out to Joyce Garret who has volunteered to take over as Treasurer. We are still in need of a President.

April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> are the dates for the Area Special Olympics at Bakas. A sign up sheet will be put up soon. We will need plenty of volunteers, so please step up to the plate. More information will follow in March.

April 24<sup>th</sup> will be the Rider Banquet at All Peoples. Start thinking about a theme and gift ideas for the riders. We would like to do something different like have some entertainment (Fritz Brothers, clown, magician) along with the dinner and DJ. Carol will look into Fritz Brothers and Barbara will let Beth know about the DJ that does the Friendship Club events. If you have any ideas or contacts, please let Beth know.

Beth talked about the Challenged Show that is scheduled for Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, and what to bring and where to stay.

There is a list of riders on the front door that shows when their annual physicals are due. Please turn in your forms along with \$10 made payable to Bakas.

Beth went over the \$40 per session BOCC fee. The county will give Bakas a computer program to track the funds. When you get your letter that your rider is on the schedule, there will be a form to fill out and send in with your check. For hardship cases, see Beth as we have discounted riding sessions available.

Beth thanked everyone who participated and donated to the Motorcycle Rally. We had a low turnout due to the bad weather and Gasparilla. The 22 cycles that came loved the interaction with the riders and horses. Deni found out that "Born to Ride" will do free TV advertising on their shows for non-profit charity events (remember for next year). Bozena won the party trough and Pat Richards won the 50/50. We made about \$800 with more coming in.

Speaking of donations, JP Morgan sent us a \$1,000 check to match the Sylvestre family donation.

AND, we will receive about \$10,000 from the Highland Parks charitable organization. The neighborhood group is disbanding and donating their funds.

Beth went to a county meeting and they asked for a list of what special events we have during the year and they might find sponsors for food or items to help out. Boy, do we like to party and there is always something going on at Bakas.

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> there will be 35 to 40 Special Olympics coaches from around the state here for training. Special Olympics provides the food and no parent involvement is needed, but you are free to come out and watch.

The next parent meeting is Wed. March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6. It is pot luck so bring something to share. We have lots of planning to do for the Area Sp. O. and the Rider Banquet. Get involved to help make these great events for your kid.

Minutes taken by Kim Hajaistron.

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