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BUDDY WALK APPROACHING SOON!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2006

We are continuing to work very hard on the upcoming Buddy Walk to be held at the Summerlin Centre Community Park at 1800 Town Center Drive, Las Vegas, NV. The walk will be from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM. It is still not too late to sign up for a team, or to create your very own fundraising page. If you are unable to attend, but would like to be a part of this event, you can also form a virtual team. You can do this one of two ways. You can call the DSOSN office, 702-648-1990, or visit our website, www.dsosn.org. All of the necessary information and forms are on the website.

We are planning a very exciting Buddy Walk this year. Kevin Janison from Channel 8 News will be there to help MC this event. We have arranged for clowns, cartoon characters, face painting,

bounce for the children, a balloon release containing personal messages, and other activities too numerous to mention.

Please be a part of this wonderful fundraiser for the DSOSN. We need all our members' support to help continue the programs we offer to our membership!



mission tent with crafts, games, message balloons, raffle, incentives for Team Captains and participants, food and beverages, a

If you would like to help the day of the event, please call Deann at 702-648-1990 or 702-505-5737. She can fill you in on all of the details regarding volunteering or becoming a Team Captain or forming a team!

FESTIVAL OF TREES AND LIGHTS—TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2006, AT THE SOUTH COAST HOTEL AND CASINO



This year's Festival of Trees and Lights will be held at the South Coast Event Center on Saturday, December 2nd. We are so happy to announce that Chris Burke will be joining us for this event. He will be here with his three-piece band and will entertain us with their music. We will also get to hear

from Chris about his accomplishments as a person with Down syndrome. Chris will also be hosting a Meet and Greet social hour. Please read all about the Meet and Greet with Chris Burke on page 2 of this publication.

We are still looking for tree designers, volunteers the day of the event, basket design-

ers, wreath designers, etc. If you would like to be involved in this year's gala, please call the DSOSN office at 648-1990. We can never have too many volunteers, as this event is the main fundraiser of the year for the DSOSN.

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Battle of the Bands to be held on October 19, 2006!



Join us for a "Meet and Greet" with Chris Burke on Saturday, December 2, 2006, from 4:00 to 5:00 PM



October "Battle of XI Bands" Event To Be Held for DSOSN!

On Thursday, October 19th Sorority AlphaXi Delta from UNLV will be holding a fundraiser for DSOSN. This event is a "Battle of the Bands" and is for the 18 to 24 year-old crowd. It is going to be held at Hookah Place at Cambridge and Flamingo from 6 to 10:00 PM. You must be at least 18 years of age to attend.

The Sorority is expecting between 250 to 300 people, and the majority of the money raised will be given to the DSOSN to further our mission of providing needed programs for our members. They will be charging an admission price of \$10.00 in advance or \$15.00 at the door. They will be having a "Penny War"

and for every Hookah they sell, we will get \$10.00. They are expecting to raise between \$5,000.00 to \$8,000.00. We will let you know the outcome of this event after it is over.

Motorcycle Event Planned for DSOSN

Pastor Pauley, pastor for Bikers for Jesus, is planning a wonderful fundraiser for the DSOSN. This will include a ride for anyone owning a motorcycle. This event is going to take place on Sunday, October 29th with all proceeds going to the DSOSN organization. The Skyline Casino has graciously

given the Pastor use of the parking lot for this event. There will be bands, food, drinks and many different activities for the family. More details will be given as we get closer to the date.

a motorcycle and want to be included in the ride, please call the DSOSN office and we will give you Pastor Pauley's contact number. This will be a wonderful way to spend a fun day with your family and friends.

Plan on bringing your entire family to this great outdoor event. If you have

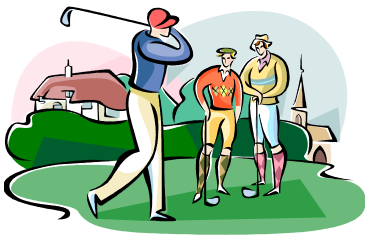
Meet and Greet With Chris Burke, Saturday, December 2, 2006 from 4:00 PM—5:00 PM at the South Coast Hotel & Casino

The DSOSN is fortunate enough to have Chris Burke, actor from the T.V. series "Life Goes On," host the Meet and Greet at the South Coast Hotel and Casino from 4:00—5:00 PM in the wreath, basket and tree display room. This will give every

member of the DSOSN an opportunity to meet Chris and also see the many items that will be auctioned off at the gala that same night. We ask that anyone interested in attending, please RSVP by November 24, 2006. You must RSVP and be a mem-

ber of the DSOSN to gain access to the Meet and Greet. If you are not currently a member, you can join at no cost. Please remember, the RSVP deadline date is Friday, November 24th. Please call the DSOSN office if you have any questions.

2006 Frys.com Open PGA Golf Tournament



Do you love the game and challenge of golf? Well, if you do, we have a wonderful opportunity for you. On October 12 through the 15th, the 2006 Frys.com Open is scheduled to be played at TPC at The Canyons and at TPC Summerlin. This tournament is sponsored by the Las Vegas Founders. They are asking for volunteers to help with this year's tournament. The many opportunities they are offering for the volunteers are fabulous. The volunteer fee is one of the lowest on the Tour. There is a \$25.00 volunteer fee, which will give you the Tournament shirt and hat, two season badges, one for yourself and one for your guest, Starbucks coffee and Krispy Kreme doughnuts, volunteer lunch, discounts on clothing and memorabilia, special promo-

Volunteer at this Fantastic Event!

tions, volunteer party on final Sunday with fabulous door prizes and attendance by Tournament champion. (Active military and standard bearers exempt from volunteer fee.) All volunteers must commit to at least two (2) shifts, with one shift being a weekday. Weekdays have two (2) shifts and Saturday and Sunday counting as one shift each day. Volunteers returning their forms before September 1, 2006, will receive their preferred schedules and committees.

This volunteer opportunity will not only afford you the opportunity to be involved in an actual PGA golf tournament, but will also benefit DSOSN. We will receive a percentage from every person who volunteers on behalf of the DSOSN. This is a very easy way for the organization to raise funds, but we need your help. If you would like more information or an application mailed to

you, please call the DSOSN office, 648-1990, and speak with Deann.

The Las Vegas Founders, along with the generous support of volunteers, has enabled them to donate close to 12 million since 1983 to local charities such as Boy's and Girl's Club of Las Vegas, First Christian Church, Make-A-Wish, Leukemia/Lymphoma, Opportunity Village, Goodwill Industries, Las Vegas NE Rotary, SNGA, Susan G. Komen Foundation, Nellis Air Force Base, Junior League, Helping Hands of Vegas Valley and the Boy Scouts. Help us be one of the charities they support. All it takes for us to receive a donation from the Las Vegas Founders is our members volunteering their time. If you enjoy playing golf, watching golf, or just being in the outdoors, you will love volunteering for this event! Remember, this is an actual PGA/Amateur event. Who knows who you might see playing golf.

Be a Volunteer for the 2006 Frys.com Open PGA Golf Tournament!

Gift Sale to be Featured at this year's Buddy Walk!

This year the DSOSN will be trying something new at the annual Buddy Walk. We have paired up with New Vista Ranch to help us organize and work the Gift Sale booth at the Buddy Walk. We will be selling beautiful, brand new gifts for the home. These gifts range from picture frames to candle holders, from canister

sets, to cookie jars, all types of serving ware, silverware, knives, wall clocks, cookware, etc. In the past we have held these gift sales at the DSOSN building, but this year we will be trying it out at our annual Buddy Walk. We are hoping this will encourage many people to shop and walk! Be sure to tell all of your friends,

neighbors and co-workers about the Buddy Walk and the gift sale. No one will be disappointed in the items we will be offering for sale or the fabulous prices. Do some early holiday shopping, or find that perfect item for your home or office. We will see you at the Buddy Walk and Gift Sale!!





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September 21, 2006 Membership Meeting . . .Relaxation Therapy

The intent of this evening is to give caretakers, friends and extended family members a chance to enter a world of tender, loving care for themselves for at least one uninterrupted hour. As caregivers around the clock, the last person we help is ourselves. Keep in mind that we cannot give what we don't have; this is an opportunity to replenish some of the energy expelled nurturing on a full-time basis. This could be the first of many clinics

and perhaps classes for adults in the future. As you know, children are always welcome at all of our meetings and activities; however, it would be a challenge to reap the full



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Meditation and Relaxation**

benefits of this special time unless we have complete, uninterrupted time to learn and enjoy. We ask, just this once, that adults only attend. Please join Linda Vandruff, our certified Yoga instructor, on Thursday, September 21st at 6:30 PM for an introduction to inner peace and relaxation that you can carry home with you. RSVP's will be appreciated. Please call the DSOSN office at 648-1990.