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DSOSN GOLF TOURNAMENT FAST APPROACHING

The 11th annual Down Syndrome Charity Golf Tournament is fast approaching and will take place on Monday, May 19th, 2008 beginning with a 2:00 PM shotgun start. Registration begins at 12 noon. Proceeds will benefit the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada (DSOSN). The tournament is a four-person shamble format which is a combination of a scramble and a best ball. Several sponsorship opportunities are available ranging from \$1,500.00 to \$10,000.00. A corporate Team Sponsorship is \$1,500.00 and includes one foursome, one tee sign, corporate listing in the event program, a quarter

page ad and dinner for four. Tee sign sponsorships are \$300.00. A regular foursome is \$900.00 and an individual entry fee is \$225.00. The entry fee includes range balls, 18-holes, cart, refreshments on the course, a player's bag, polo shirt, one raffle ticket and the awards dinner. Prizes will be awarded for "closest to the pin" and "longest drive" contests. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place final team scores. These great prizes include trophies, golf packages, dinner and much more! And, of course, there will also be a surprise hole-in-one prize. Mulligans are \$10.00 each, string is \$10.00 per foot and the



Clayton's Crew Ball Toss is \$25.00. The awards dinner will immediately follow the tournament and will include a raffle and auction. Raffle tickets are available for \$5.00 each or 6 for \$20.00. The tournament will take place at Arroyo Golf Club at Red Rock at 2250 A Red Springs Drive in Las Vegas. All of the money raised will benefit the DSOSN and stay here in Las Vegas. Call Deann at 648-1990 for more information.

SECOND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PICNIC

The DSOSN will be hosting its second annual membership picnic. This event will take place at the Children's Memorial Park at the corner of Rainbow and Gowan (same location as last year). The DSOSN will be supplying all of the hotdogs and hamburgers, but each family

needs to bring their favorite family dish to share. Each family also needs to bring their favorite beverage (no alcohol will be allowed). We are planning on having many games for all members of the family. To name a few, potato sack race, egg on a spoon, etc. You will

be able to win a medal or some special prize. Please RSVP to Bonnie at 648-1990 so she will know how many hotdogs and hamburgers to buy. The picnic is from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, on Saturday, May 3, 2008.

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Official Board of Directors Election Results!

On Thursday, April 24, 2008, the annual Board meeting and Board of Directors election was held. The results are in!

Sue Covey and Jeanene Russell were re-elected to the Board, and Paul Kartchner and Lew Wolfbrandt were elected and are new to the DSOSN Board of Directors. Lew Wolfbrandt was a member of the Board many years ago. Paul Kartchner is relatively new to Las Vegas and is a medical doctor. He is also serving on our "Changing Lives" committee. Lew Wolfbrandt is a lawyer and has over 20 years of experience in that field. We are thrilled to have them on our Board.

PRELIMINARY PROM PLANNING BEGINS



Planning has just started on having a “Prom” for our teens and young adults. The age for attendance to the prom will be 14 years and up. The tentative date will be Saturday, August 16, 2008, from 5:00 PM until 7:30 PM. Parents will be allowed at the prom for the first fifteen minutes, and then asked to leave. This will be a semi-formal dress and dinner will be served. We will be taking pictures of our prom attendees, because what would a prom be with-

out pictures?

We are in the early planning stages of this event, so it has not been decided if there will be a disk jockey or a live band. The location has not been decided either. That will depend on how many of our teens and young adults will be able to attend.

We also need our families to help us come up with a name for our prom. Please submit your ideas on the sheet provided in this newsletter. The

deadline for prom themes will be Friday, June 6th, 2008.

If you would like to help in the planning of this prom, please call Bonnie or Lindsay at 648-1990, email Bonnie at bhall@dsosn.org or Lindsay at l_terrett@hotmail.com. We want this to become a yearly event for all of our teens and young adults. Please mail the enclosed card or call as soon as possible and let us know if you will be attending.

LINDSAY TERRETT TO INTERN WITH THE DSOSN

WE WANT TO
WELCOME
LINDSAY
TERRETT!

Lindsay Terrett, intern from UNLV, will be working with the DSOSN on an internship from UNLV. We are so happy to have Lindsay with us. She will be assisting with the programs/events and socials for the next three months.

Lindsay studied special education at UNLV, but

decided to change her major. She will be receiving a newly developed degree from UNLV called Inter-disciplinary with concentrations in education and human service counseling. On Saturday, May 17, 2008. She will be working 20 hours per week at the DSOSN.

If you are in the area of the DSOSN office, stop in and introduce yourself to Lindsay. We are so happy to have her aboard. I am looking forward to working with her throughout the summer months!

“IT” KIDS—“IT” MATTERS

KIDS WHO CARE—KIDS WHO MATTER—KIDS WHO WANT TO MAKE A CHANGE—KIDS WHO GET “IT”

In an effort to further educate children about people living with disabilities, Opportunity Village has created a new committee bringing together children and young adults in our community with children and young adults living with intellectual and other disabilities.

The mission of the “IT” Kids is to make a difference in

the lives of those with special needs and the world we live in, paving the way for a brighter future for all.

The goals of the “IT” Kids are:

- To educate themselves and their peers about the special circumstances and unique abilities of children and adults with special needs.
- To become advocates for the disabled in our community.
- By example, open doors of friendship that have been closed too long.
- Plan and host fundraising events to raise money for social and recreational opportunities.

- Host periodic, themed social events for “IT” Kids and buddies.

We would like to invite the children of the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada to join the “IT” Kids in our mission to create some very special friendships! For more information, please call Seana Pitrone at (702) 839-4757.

The DSOSN is so grateful to our very special contributors, sponsors and donors.. Throughout the year they have “come through” for us and our membership. They believe in our mission to provide services/programs/therapies and socials to the members living in Southern Nevada affected by Down syndrome. Without their generous and continuous sponsorship, the DSOSN could not continue the important work that we do. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

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Calendar of Upcoming Events/Activities

- Saturday, May 3, 2008—11:00 AM—2:00 PM—Annual Membership Picnic—Children's Memorial Park—Rainbow & Gowan
- Monday, May 5, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Wednesday, May 7, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Saturday, May 10, 2008—11:30 AM—Changing Lives Meeting—DSOSN Building—Potluck Lunch
- Monday, May 12, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Monday, May 12, 2008—6:15 PM—7:15 PM—Dance Class—**Final Class for the Season**—DSOSN Building
- Wednesday, May 14, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, May 19, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Monday, May 19, 2008—Shotgun Start—2:00 PM—Golf Tournament at Arroyo Golf Club at Red Rock
- Wednesday, May 21, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, May 26, 2008—Memorial Day Observed—**DSOSN Office Closed**
- Wednesday, May 28, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, June 2, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Wednesday, June 4, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, June 9, 2008—10:00AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Wednesday, June 11, 2008—4:30 PM—Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, June 16, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Wednesday, June 18, 2008—4:30 PM—? Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Friday, June 20, 2008—Young Adult & Teen Dance—DSOSN Building—More info to follow!
- Monday, June 23, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3
- Wednesday, June 25, 2008—4:30 PM—? - Yoga Class—DSOSN Building
- Monday, June 30, 2008—10:00 AM—11:00 AM—Physical Therapy @ DSOSN Office—Ages newborn to age 3

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