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## **IT'S BACK!!**

After taking some time off (to have a baby) I am ready to start the newsletter up again. I know we have a lot of new athletes out there, so welcome! This newsletter is my way of keeping the families and friends of our athletes up to date and informed of what is going on in our organization. We are growing so fast.

My name is Julie Tollefson. I am a parent of an athlete and my position with this organization is to be the parent contact for the board members and a centralized person you can come to if you have concerns, questions or ideas. Our "parent group" goes far beyond Frisco Special Olympics. All of us are in the same situation and understand the challenges that come along with our athletes. If any of you have concerns or questions about anything, please submit them to me either e-mail at [tollytx@comcast.net](mailto:tollytx@comcast.net) or by calling 972-712-3093. I would like to add a section to the newsletter for your questions and answers for everyone. A lot of us have been through it, while there are some of us just starting. Let's help each other through those rough times.

## **ANNUAL PICNIC**

Every year we have an annual picnic for our athletes in May. Due to so many other things going on in May, we wanted to reschedule the annual picnic for a less hectic time. We are considering changing it to some time in June, but was not sure of everyone's' vacation plans.

Also, we are looking for people interested in helping

plan some of these annual events. In the past, the board has planned all of these things, but with how much our organization is growing, we need more help. If you are interested in helping plan the annual picnic, please contact Julie Tollefson at 972-712-3093 or by e-mail at [tollytx@comcast.net](mailto:tollytx@comcast.net).

# FSO NIGHT WITH THE ROUGHRIDERS



Come join us Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. for a night at the Dr. Pepper/7-11 ballpark and help support our athletes. We have the entire Corral section, (about 320 seats) which is in the outfield. Invite your friends, family and neighbors out for a night of fun. We need everyone's help to sell these tickets. A Portion of the ticket sales will help Frisco Special Olympics.

Tickets are \$13 per seat, which includes  
Limited Edition Hat  
Thunder Sticks

Leading the Fans in "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" during the 7<sup>th</sup> inning Stretch  
A few of our athletes and coaches will be throwing out the first pitch

To get your tickets, please contact Troy Pelias at 972-678-1164 or e-mail at [tjpelias@grandecom.net](mailto:tjpelias@grandecom.net)

## COPS AND KANGAROOS

Frisco Police Officers are serving the community at a whole new level. Officers from Frisco Police Department will be working as wait staff at Frisco Outback Steakhouse, 9382 State Highway 121, (corner of Hwy 121 and Preston Rd) on May 21, 2005, during a benefit luncheon to assist the Frisco Flyers (Frisco's Special Olympics team).

The Frisco Outback Steakhouse will be open from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 21, 2005, to host this fundraiser luncheon event. The luncheon ticket cost will be \$12.00 per person and includes a special array of tucker (that's food) from the Land Down Under. Advanced tickets can be purchased through Officer David Robinson by calling (469) 633-4630. Officers will be serving the Aussie tucker, and tips provided by the customers will also become additional proceeds for the fundraiser. All proceeds beyond operating costs for the event will directly benefit the local Special Olympians, the Frisco Flyers.

A silent auction and a raffle will also take place during the luncheon. Numerous businesses throughout Frisco and the Dallas/Ft. Worth area have stepped forward to donate items for the event. Some of the businesses include the Texas Tornados, the Frisco RoughRiders, Strikz, AMC Theaters (Frisco), QwikWash America, and Starbuck's, among others. Some items that are donated will be auctioned and others raffled. For more information about this program, contact Officer David Robinson at (469) 633-4630.

# **FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Monday, June 13, 2005**

**The Trails of Frisco Golf Club**

Food and Beverages, Silent Auction, Hole in One Contest and prizes. For those that are non-players, we also have a Beginner's Clinic with the local Golf Pro for \$50 per person. The help needed in this fundraiser is as follows:

Golfers to play: \$125 per person/ \$500 per team The format is a 4 person Scramble. Either form your own team or sign up individually and we will pair you with others. Your fee includes: Green and cart fees; Continental Breakfast; Buffet lunch; Goody bag for each golfer; Admission to the Silent Auction; Golf tips on driving range before the round; and it is a Tax-deductible donation to Frisco Special Olympics. If you are interested in competing, please contact Charlotte Lewis at 972-731-5067

Sponsors: We are still looking for a few more sponsors for the Tournament. You or your company can sponsor a hole for \$500, a sand trap for \$50 or a water hole for \$100. We are also stilling looking for a Hole in One sponsor. All donations are tax deductible. We also are looking for items for our Silent Auction and Goody bags. If you can help, please contact Charlotte Lewis at 972-731-5067.

Volunteers: If you are not a golfer, but would like to help us out, we need volunteers. You can contact Tony Deyoe at 972-668-2712.

## **GREEN MOUNTAIN ENERGY**

Green Mountain is offering a \$1000 grant to non-profit organizations that get together twenty people to listen to a presentation on their services. We need someone to offer to host this presentation and this person must be eligible to switch to Green Mountain, which means being within the TXU area. No one is REQUIRED to switch just listen and we can get a quick, easy \$1000 for our athletes.

As you may or may not know, individual households now have a choice of which energy company they choose. Many people are confused about their options and how the process works. Our firm, Blue Skies Over Texas, would like to spend a few minutes educating your group on their energy options. The presentation is 10 minutes with 5 minutes of questions. We present the history of energy in Texas, details regarding deregulation, and information on both renewable and non-renewable energy options. Our presentation is both informative and educational. Green Mountain Energy Company offers clean energy from renewable sources (wind and water) and it does NOT cost any more than your current service. We do the presentations wherever is easiest for your group to gather, but a quiet place like a meeting room or home is of course best. In appreciation for allowing access to a group of 20 or more households from the TXU service area (most everywhere except Garland, and any co-ops like Denton and parts of Frisco), Blue Skies Environmental Education Fund will make a \$1,000 grant to Frisco Special Olympics on your behalf. Many organizations throughout the metroplex have responded favorably to the presentation because: 1) the information is timely and relative to everyone who pays an electric bill 2) the presentation is brief and to the point 3) there is a free breakfast or lunch for all who attend 4) a charity earns a \$1,000 donation in return for their attendance

# VOLUNTEERS

Frisco Special Olympics is always looking for more help in every area that keeps our organization running. Please consider helping with your time. It takes a lot to plan events, practices, coach, paperwork, fundraising, etc. A lot of work goes into doing all of these things, and they have all been done by a selected few. Every year, we have a picnic and holiday party. We need people to please help us out and take over planning some of these yearly things. Our organization is growing so fast, and we are planning bigger and better things, but it's the little things that end up slipping through the cracks because we all get overwhelmed with our own things too. If everyone could help out in some way, the projects would not be so hard. We need parents, family or friends to please consider helping out by volunteering in what ever way you can. If we have a committee that plans every year these events, the board can focus on upcoming items and other projects.

If you are interested in helping out with the Golf Tournament, we need volunteers on the day of the tournament, Monday, June 13. Please contact Tony Deyoe at 972-668-2712.

If you are interested in helping out in any other events, please contact Julie Tollefson at 972-712-3093.

Thank you.

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