

Volunteer Opportunities

The Volunteer Voice is a bi-monthly newsletter published for our dedicated volunteers who give so much. Your time spent volunteering makes a difference in the lives of people who have Down syndrome.

Please review the upcoming opportunities available and contact the Guild office at **913-384-4848** if you have any questions or want to sign up to volunteer! We hope to see you at an upcoming event.

DSG's Beach Ball Prom

The annual DSG Prom will be held Saturday **May 17, 2008** at the Overland Park Convention Center. Attendees will enjoy dinner, dancing, photos, and take home a gift bag. We need 150 volunteers to make the night a success. Please consider volunteering at one or both of the following shifts, and call the DSG center at 913-384-4848.

8:00am-12:00pm 30 volunteers needed

Volunteers will help with set up of decorations, backdrops, and registration, stuff gift bags, and build the balloon arch.

Dress should be comfortable, and breakfast will be provided.

5:15pm- 10:00pm 100 volunteers needed

Please arrive on time as there will be a training session prior to the dance.

Volunteers may be asked to float during the evening and serve in several capacities. Some duties may include, greeting guests as they arrive, assisting with registration, pinning boutonnieres and corsages on guests, assist with tear down, and of course dancing with guests (no dance experience or rhythm required!)

Dress can be anything from slacks, Prom attire, or themes! Refreshments as well as an area to store purses and jackets will be available.



Babysitters

Quarterly support breakfasts are provided by the DSG for new parents, parents of toddlers, and extended family members.

Babysitters will be needed to help with this event on **June 28, 2008** from **8:30am-11:30am** at the DSG Center 10200 W 75th St. Suite 281, Shawnee, KS.

Toys, activities for the children, and a light breakfast will be provided.

Contact the DSG Center at **913-384-4848** for more information.



DSG Carnival

It's time again for the annual DSG Carnival! Individuals with Down syndrome and their families will enjoy games and prizes, moon walks, food, and Radio Disney. 30 volunteers are needed on **June 14, 2008** from **11:30am– 5:00pm** at Shawnee Mission Park shelter #10 to make this a successful event. Volunteers may be running games, serving food, painting faces, or supervising moonwalks. Dress is comfortable, and drinks and snacks will be provided.

For more information or to sign up contact the DSG center at **913-384-4848**



Huddle Time

DSG's partner organization First Downs for Down Syndrome will be hosting their 12th annual Huddle Time Sports Auction on **June 4, 2008**. For more information on how to volunteer or donate to this event contact **Amy Stoll at 913-722-2499 or email at stoll@fdfds.org**.



School Out!!!

Looking for ways to spend summer days? Wanting to get a head start on service hours for school? **Why not prepare for the Buddy Walk!**

The Buddy Walk is held in the fall and is the largest fundraiser for First Downs for Down Syndrome. Proceeds from this walk directly benefit the DSG and our members, allowing us to provide valuable programs and services.

Here are a few ways you can help **get ready for this Buddy Walk season:**

- Have DSG conduct an awareness presentation for your organization or group
- Start recruiting for your Buddy Walk team
- Conduct fundraisers like a "Dress Down" day or carwash

To find out more information on this year's Buddy Walk and how you can get involved contact **Amy Stoll at 913-722-2499 or email stoll@fdfds.org**

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