

DSATnews

Down Syndrome Association of Tulsa November, 2008

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President's Message

What a huge success the Buddy Walk was this year! Thank you to Alana, Denis and Erin for putting it together. The crowd was amazing. It is incredible to think the awareness that this walk brings to the Down Syndrome community. Alana, you did a great job getting our message to the news outlets. Think about how many people watched or read about Down Syndrome and are now more knowledgeable.

This is the last newsletter that Erin and I will be doing the president's message. We are honored to have Danny and Molly Zirix be the next Co-Presidents. They will do an outstanding job. We know they will carry DSAT far. Erin and I want to personally thank everyone for all the support we have received over the last almost seven years as serving as president and vice-president of DSAT. We have enjoyed every minute of it. We have been honored to serve such an organization. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity.

We hope to see everyone at our annual Christmas Party. This is a great way for families to connect. Hope to see you there.

Adam & Erin Paul

Christmas Party

Our Annual Christmas Party is going to be Saturday, December 13th at the Junior League Building at 3633 S. Yale Ave. (next to the Little Lighthouse) from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM for our annual Christmas brunch. We will be having a special visitor from the North Pole so please bring your cameras!



November Meeting
Thursday, November 20th at 7:00 PM
New Haven United Methodist Church
56th & New Haven
(between Yale and Harvard)
Midtown School of Performing Arts

2009 Calendars

Have you seen them? They are terrific! Let's remind everyone of our kids all year long. Calendars are available for check out. If you would like to check out calendars to sell, you will need to fill out a form. As you sell calendars, you can send the money to the P.O. Box or turn it in at meetings. Calendars sell for \$12 and they will be available at the November 20th meeting and the Christmas party. If you still have 2008 calendars or money, please turn it in as soon as possible. They make great Christmas gifts, who wouldn't enjoy a calendar featuring our adorable children. If you have any questions please contact April at aprilwegener@cox.net. Thanks for all your help selling calendars for DSAT!

A Huge Thank You

Alana Kennon, Denis Lane and Erin Paul would like to thank DSAT for making this the best Buddy Walk yet! The team support was incredible. We hope everyone enjoyed the walk. We want to thank everyone for helping make this possible. Alex Marshall and Adam & Joanne Ricketts were instrumental in getting our donations. We had several other people help us in getting donations for our door prize baskets and we can't thank you enough. We can't list everyone because there are so many. Your help did not go unnoticed. We appreciate everyone coming to help on Sunday to put together the baskets and registration bags. Stephanie Keester, you did an incredible job putting together the donation lists. Thank you so much. Kimberly & Jack Myers were so helpful the whole day of the walk with the golf cart and trailer. We appreciate Teressa & John Holland bringing out their trailer as well and their help all morning. Thank you, Wes Taylor for all of your time and energy as well. We want to thank everyone for making it such a huge success!

Conference Scholarships

Annually DSAT has sponsored our local families and professionals to attend the national conference. This year it will be held in California. Please notice the application in this newsletter. Six scholarships will be awarded this year and the winners will be announced at the January DSAT meeting. Make sure you get it in by the December 15th deadline to be considered.

Thank you TARC for making this newsletter possible!

Calendar Photos



Jill Solomon, our Calendar photographer will only be accepting orders of pictures taken for the DSAT Calendar until January 13th. The website is www.millersalbums.com and the event code is 67024wkiddos. Pictures will not be available after that date.

Also, she is doing a Santa picture day at her studio. It is on November 15th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be no sitting fee but it is by appointment only. Call 918-524-3830 to schedule an appointment. There will be several photo packages and a la carte photos available. She can also do these as personalized Christmas cards that can be printed in one week.



Swim Team

A Special Olympics swim team is NOW forming. We are getting the word out late because practices have already started every Friday (except holidays) until February. Then more practices may be added to prepare for the Olympics. This will be held in Broken Arrow at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club on 91st between Elm & Aspen. Coach Shelley Cramer has many years experience and has been certified as a Special Olympics swim coach. The cost of the entire program is only \$50 and fund-raising will be needed to pay for suits and additional costs. Anyone who loves the water, all abilities, ages 12 years and up are welcome. There are some events which may use flotation devices for those who need them and younger ages will be considered if there is interest. For more information contact Karla Jenkins at 252-0880 / 798-8404 / kjenkins222@gmail.com or Shelly Cramer 53-5657.!



Little Baby Kase

We had sad news just before the Buddy Walk. A new family to DSAT, the Omstead's, gave birth to a precious baby boy and named him Kase. He was delivered

11 weeks early at 3 pounds and spent his time at the St. Francis neonatal unit. He immediately had complications, but was getting better and gaining weight. His mom, Suzie, was even going to breast feed him. All of the sudden he started having problems with his colon. Her due date was the day of the Buddy Walk and she had an immediate connection. She expressed how helpful the new parent packet had been and had already started raising money for the Buddy Walk when he suddenly passed away. We want to send out our thoughts and prayers to the Omstead family. If you know them, please reach out to them. If you would like to send a more personal note, please contact April Wegener at aprilwegener@cox.net for more information.

First Downs



The Union Redskins football has teamed up with the Down Syndrome Association of Tulsa (DSAT) to present First Downs for Down Syndrome this football season — a national fund-raising program first started by the Kansas City Chiefs. All monies raised will provide disability awareness materials to area schools.

The Redskins are the first team in Tulsa to participate in the fund-raising, and we hope more schools will join the efforts.

Down syndrome acceptance and awareness is close to the hearts of the Redskin football team — one of the young men serving as equipment manager for their team was born with Down syndrome. "Brett is a valuable part of our team," said Coach Josh Blankenship. "He helps prepare us for every game and is one our most vocal fans."

First Downs for Down Syndrome was initiated by legendary Kansas City Chiefs coach Gene Stallings — who has a son with Down syndrome — in an effort to raise funds and awareness for the disability. The program became a huge success in the early 90's when the Kansas City Chiefs offensive line partnered with local Kansas City organizations to raise money.

"DSAT is working to have the same success the Chiefs experienced right here in Tulsa; we just need the support of the community," Paul said.



DSAT is a non-profit, parent-run organization that exists to enhance the lives of individuals with Down syndrome, their families and caregivers. Its vision is for individuals with Down syndrome to be accepted as contributing members of the community, be educated in all aspects of life and enjoy a safe and independent life as can be accommodated. The organization started in 1979 and is the oldest formally organized Down syndrome group in the state of Oklahoma.

The Redskins team is encouraging its football fans to sponsor them through a tax-deductible donation. Donations can be made on the Union Redskin Web site at www.unionredskinsfootball.com or at www.firstgiving.com/firstdowns

For information about First Downs for Down Syndrome, please visit www.firstgiving.com/firstdowns or call Alana Kennon at (918) 605-9931.

Thank you Union Redskins Football!

6th Annual DSAT Buddy Walk Registrations & Donations



WOW! What an amazing year. It was the largest attended Buddy Walk in DSAT history and we exceeded all goals for fund-raising. Way to go!

The preliminary numbers report that the 2008 Buddy Walk raised more than \$40,000!

Thanks everyone who attended to the Buddy Walk, secured sponsorships and donations for the baskets, as well as those who raised money for their "buddy" or their "team."

With the money raised, DSAT will be able to provide scholarships to families for the 2009 national conference in California, continue to create new parent packets, expand on the Changing Lives programs which will help educate doctors and medical staff about Down syndrome, provide support and literature to families and local establishments, and much, much more!

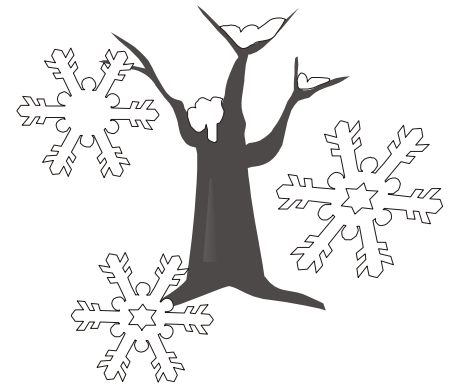
Buddy Walk Fun Facts:

- ◆ Estimated 3000+ people in attendance
- ◆ 207 online family and individual registrations
 - ⇒ In 2006, 114 registrations
 - ⇒ In 2007, 165 registrations
- ◆ 100+ mail or event-day registrations
- ◆ \$27,490 raised in online donations
 - ⇒ In 2006, \$18,000 was raised online
 - ⇒ In 2007, \$23,075 was raised online
- ◆ 52 people raised money by collecting donations
 - ⇒ 28 people raised \$50 - \$500
 - ⇒ 8 people raised \$500 - \$999
 - ⇒ 9 people raised \$1,000 - \$2,000
 - ⇒ 3 people raised \$3,000 or more
- ◆ Top Ten Individual Fundraisers:
 - ⇒ Velvet Ahumada (Benjamin)
 - ⇒ Kimberly Cobb (Madison)
 - ⇒ Alana Kennon (Lucy)
 - ⇒ Lynn Lugibihl (Samuel)
 - ⇒ Mandy Marshall (Kyle)
 - ⇒ David Parrack (Sarah)
 - ⇒ Erin Paul (Taylor)
 - ⇒ Joanna Ricketts (Jackson)
 - ⇒ Rachel Taylor (Addison)
 - ⇒ Chris Wegener (Cade)
- ◆ Top Five Fundraising Teams:
 - ⇒ Lucy's League
 - ⇒ Taylor's Tribe
 - ⇒ Miss Madison's Marchers
 - ⇒ Apple Jacks Allies
 - ⇒ Sarah's Team

- ◆ These were the teams created online in 2008.

Aidan's Army	Kayla's Team
Aiden's Antics	Kristine's Buddies
AnnaBella's Troops	Kyle's Comrades
Apple Jack's Allies	Letitia's Lunitics
Bayleigh's Best Buddies	Lucy's League
Ben's Buddies	Miss Madison's Mighty Marchers
Brandon's Buddies	Morgan's Mission
Brettster's Buddies	Myers Flyers
Cade's Crew	NSU BA Riverhawks
Caleb's Crew	Owen's Odyssey
Cameron's Crusaders	Payton's Buddies
CJ's Krew	Princess Alyx
Cyanna's Champions	Sam's Super Buddies
Daley's Devotees	Sarah's Team
Dylan's Defenders	Sweet Pea Abigail's Team
Emma's Angels	Tafv's Team
Ethan's Racing Team	Taylor's Tribe
Grail's Go Getter Group	Team Demi Nycole
Jake's Gang	Team Divine
James's Crew	Team Jackson
Jonathan's Jamboree	Team Jazzi
	Ty Ty's Posse

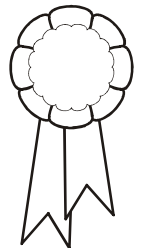
If you collected money after the walk or did not have an opportunity to turn in your pledges yet, please mail the money to DSAT at P.O. Box 54877 Tulsa, OK 74155 or bring it to the November meeting. Donations can also be made online at www.firstgiving.com/dsat through December 2008.



2009 Winter Games

The 2009 Winter Games Registration Packet is available online! You can request one by visiting the Special Olympics Oklahoma website and clicking on the Pink Winter Games Packet button at the bottom of the page. Print the forms you need, complete them and submit them to the Special Olympics Oklahoma office in Tulsa by the December 1, 2008 deadline.

If you can't access the Winter Games Packet online, call 1-800-722-9004 or 918-481-1234 to ask that a Registration Packet be mailed to you. Call by November 20, 2008 to request a Packet so that you can make the December 1st deadline. A registration packet will only be mailed to you if you request one.



National Awareness

No matter your political views, Governor Palin brought a national awareness to our community. You may enjoy this MSNBC story! <http://hotair.com/archives/2008/10/16/video-palins-special-base/>



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Tulsa Talons	Driller's
Tulsa County-City Library	OU Therapists
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New Haven United Methodist Church	
Dora Durland and Friends Academy	
Kohl's in Owasso	

Music

DSAT wishes to thank Zack and Paul at www.tulsaparty.com (918) 232-4087 (friends of Kendra and Bryan and who they recommend in Tulsa for DJ entertainment) for their assistance with the sound and music at this year's Buddy Walk!

December 3, 2008
Constitution Hall, University of Central Oklahoma
Edmond, Oklahoma

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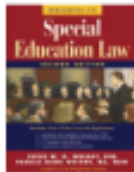
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Child (ren)'s Disability: _____

Please register me for the above conference. Registration fee is \$75.00, which includes two books (\$50 value for books alone).



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My payment is enclosed:

- check in the amount of \$ _____
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FAX: 405-525-7759

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MAIL: Oklahoma Disability Law Center, Inc.
2915 Classen Blvd., Suite 300
Oklahoma City, OK 73106

EXPLAIN ACCOMMODATIONS NEEDED:



Mayor Kathy Taylor's
**Tulsa
Entrepreneurial
Spirit
Award**

It's hard to believe it has
been almost a year since I last
sent news from Ashley's Mom.

Time flies but lots of exciting things are happening!

Over the past few months I have been participating in the Tulsa Entrepreneurial Spirit Award. From more than 100 entries I am now one of 12 semifinalists. This week we completed the most recent round of business plan revisions and pitch to the judges and are awaiting the announcement of the 7 finalists. You can read about my pursuits at www.manyabilities.com

My newest product is a Boardmaker® add-on I designed for Mayer-Johnson called Books-By-Design with Boardmaker that began shipping earlier this year. This Boardmaker add-on includes templates, printable books, and ideas for creative ways to use Books-By-Design and Mini Books-By-Design perforated papers published by Ashley's Mom to create custom comb-bound books. The add-on makes it easy to create tabbed books using Picture Communication Symbols (PCS), text, and digital pictures. Or, you can still adhere stickers, glue photos, or draw and write directly onto book pages.

And you can also turn your creations into "talking books" by pairing them with the Boardmaker Activity Pad, BookWorm Literacy Tool, or the IntelliKeys by IntelliTools since I designed the perforated book papers to fit these devices.

The website has a few additions including a "bulletin board" to announce news and upcoming events. There is an Image Gallery of some of my masked images that I would like to share with you for creating your own educational materials as I describe in my book Teaching by Design. And there are 3 new reviews for the BookWorm, Boardmaker Activity Pad and Yankz! athletic lacing system. I have also added a list of surgeons I ran across who perform periacetabular osteotomies for those of you who might be interested. This is on the page regarding hip instability in patients with Down syndrome.

Is there more to come? You bet! I continue to develop some exciting new things to address Ashley's needs and the needs of others.

We will continue to send updates and you can always check in on Ashley and me at www.ashleymom.com.

Sincerely,
Kim and Ashley Voss

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Praying with Lior Faith Can Be Simple

A winner of seven national awards, this film tells the story of a Jewish boy with Down syndrome preparing for his Bar Mitzvah. The documentary is told with intimacy and humor by those closest to him and examines his 'disability' as well as the special gift this young man possesses. This film is a documentary and may not be appropriate for younger children.

On Saturday, January 24th, 2009 this film will be presented by the Down Syndrome Association of Tulsa and The Jewish Federation of Tulsa. To view the film trailer visit <http://www.prayingwithlior.com/>

We will show the film at the Jewish Community Center at 2021 E 71st St, Tulsa (Henry Zarrow Campus between Lewis & Peoria). Doors open: 5:45 PM Film begins: 6:00 PM

There will be FREE Admission. Out of respect for other movie patrons, DSAT will provide free childcare for children who may not be able to sit quietly during the film.

To ensure adequate seating & childcare providers, please RSVP for film AND childcare by January 15th to treasurer@dsat.org or (918) 694-2283 (voicemail or text)

Makin Waves CD

Leonardo creates a big splash with his second kids's CD "Makin' Waves". Coinciding with Down Syndrome Awareness Month, independent children's recording artist Leonardo announces the October 21 release of his second kids' CD, 'Makin' Waves' (Dune Disc, \$12.99, run time 40:33). The album features 15 Leonardo originals, backed by a super tight rock n' roll band and a spirited chorus of teens who have Down syndrome.

Leonardo's songwriting abilities and his savvy way of tapping into the way kids construct meaning is surpassed only by his talents as a multi-instrumentalist and his effervescent energy as a singer. 'Makin' Waves' features solid rhythm guitar, tasty lead guitar, perfect timekeeping on bass guitar and drumset, beautiful flute playing, and some colorful Hawaiian guitar and ukulele thrown in for good measure - it's all Leonardo. With a little help on harmonica from Louie Louie Hughes, Billy Boscaccy on conga, and background vocals featuring Jaime McTaggart and the Michiana Down Syndrome Group, Leonardo has produced a kids' album with world-class production values.

'Makin' Waves' will be available online at www.leonardomusic.com, Amazon, cdbaby.com, and iTunes.



2009 Will Be Fine!

DSAT is again offering scholarships for the National Down Syndrome Congress Conference. This year the conference will be held in Sacramento, California from July 31st thru August 2nd, 2009

Scholarships will provide reimbursement up to \$1500 for individual or \$2000 for the family scholarships for conference registration, travel, lodging, meals and purchase of conference materials. One scholarship per family. Winners will be announced at the January 2009 DSAT meeting. To enter, please send in the form below with a post mark no later than December 15th, 2008.

Scholarships are available in the following categories:

Family (2 will be awarded)

Sibling (6th to 12th graders eligible)

Self-advocate (18 years or older)

Educator/Therapist (2 will be awarded)

they must be currently employed in their profession

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ Best time to reach: _____

EMAIL: _____

Check All Scholarship Categories You Wish to Enter (family awards drawn first):

SELF-ADVOCATE _____

SIBLING _____

FAMILY ENTRY _____

EDUCATOR/THERAPIST _____ (please specify school/profession _____)

BY MAIL: DSAT
PO BOX 54877
TULSA, OK 74155-0877

BY EMAIL:
treasurer@dsat.org

This entry MUST be postmarked by December 15, 2008 to be eligible. Entries postmarked after December 15th will not be accepted.

Dad's Corner

By Ashley Beasley

The Blessing of Caleb

When I think of Caleb, I think of a blessing.
And that must be because he is a blessing.



Caleb was born a few weeks early with the full expectation of being a "normal", healthy, baby boy on August 31, 2005. Soon after his birth I remember my father-in-law saying "what wide hands he has, must be a future football player". All was well! Then the next morning in the hospital our doctor came in to talk to us. He said they needed to run some tests because there were indicators that pointed to something called Down Syndrome. My face went flush. What was wrong? I had no clue what Down Syndrome was or knew anyone that even had Down Syndrome. The next few days during the testing procedures were increasingly emotional and fear ever so present. A thousand questions raced through our minds and we didn't know what to do or how the future would unfold. But the pivotal moment for me occurred when Caleb came home and our family gathered at our house to pray for him. A passage from Psalms came to mind during that time which has meant so much to me and I would like to share it with you.

For You formed my inward parts;
You wove me in my mother's womb.

I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
Wonderful are Your works,
And my soul knows it very well.

My frame was not hidden from You,
When I was made in secret,
And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;

Your eyes have seen my unformed substance;
And in Your book were all written
The days that were ordained for me,
When as yet there was not one of them.

Psalms 139:13-16



Caleb is now three and if I had the option to turn back the clock to 2005, I would not change a thing. See, I believe that Caleb is not a special needs child but that he is a special gift formed by God for a very special purpose. At only three years of age, he has taught me more about love and acceptance and joy than I could ever learn elsewhere. And I call that a special gift!

I remember hearing someone say that those with Downs Syndrome don't have an extra chromosome, it's that everyone else has one too few. There is some truth to that. We tend to get stressed over so many things in life such as our jobs, the news of the day, paying the bills, where will our kids attend school, the current financial crisis and on and on. Caleb has a way about him that makes all that stuff seem so irrelevant and insignificant. It's his smile, his joy, his love. Everywhere we go whether playing with the kids in the neighborhood, attending church functions, visiting coworkers at my office or out to dinner, Caleb has a way of bringing joy and smiles to those around him. And I call that a special gift!

Mindy and I are so grateful for the support from those involved with D.S.A.T. and the friendships developed through this organization. D.S.A.T. has truly been a huge help. And we are particularly thankful that we have the privilege of being the parents of Caleb Trey Beasley. He is truly a blessing!

Specs4US Superior Precision Eyewear for Children who are Special Inc.

SPECS4US, Superior Precision Eyewear for Children who are Special, introduces a new concept in eyewear for children with Down Syndrome that eliminates the problems regular eyeglasses never could. The mission is simple: To improve the sight and quality of life for children with DS by providing custom frames that fit your children's unique needs. The frame-line entitled Erin's World provides frames that are custom designed to fit the unique facial features of your children with shortened temples (arms), extra wide frame fronts and a lowered bridge. The frames are made from titanium and memory flex that creates a flexible bridge and temples that can spring out 180 degrees to keep up with your children's active lifestyles. These special features will allow your children to explore the world with clear vision, as they will no longer be hindered from the problems associated with ordinary frames. Created and founded by an optician and fellow DS mother, Maria Dellapina, SPECS4US frames are available in a variety of sizes and colors made especially for your children. Please feel free to email info@specs4us.com with names of trusted local doctors and optical shops so we can contact them in regards to carrying Erin's World frames in your area, which will enable you to use vision coverage if needed. To order frames directly or request more information visit SPECS4US.com.

Specs4us are now available at Harrell Eye Care Center located at 4520 S. Harvard in Tulsa.



Thank You!

A great big thank you to all of the following for their support of DSAT.
We could not do this without you.

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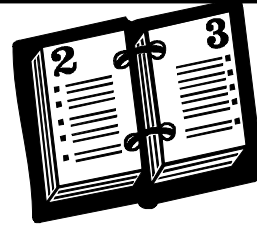
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November 20th

MUSIC

7:00 PM New Haven United Methodist Church
56th & New Haven

Midtown School of Performing Arts will be doing a presentation WITH the kids from 7:15 PM to 8:00 PM and then we will have our discussion part of the meeting. We would like the kids to participate at the beginning of the meeting. This will be very fun and beneficial for the parents to learn about the importance of music. They offer many programs at their school that they will be discussing. Hope you plan to attend!

December 13th

Annual Christmas Party

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Junior League Building, 3633 S. Yale, Tulsa
Next to the Little Lighthouse

We will have brunch snacks and a special visitor from the North Pole, so please bring your cameras!

December

No Formal Meeting

November & December

No D.A.D.S. meetings due to the holidays!

January 15th

Therapy Works

7:00 PM at New Haven United Methodist Church
56th & New Haven

Therapy Works will present their information on Sensory issues.

January 22nd

D.A.D.S. Meeting

7:00 PM at Fox & Hound Pub and Grill
70th & Garnett

January 24th

Praying with Lior

5:45 PM at Jewish Community Center
71st & Lewis

December 13th Christmas Party
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Junior League

November 20th Music
7:00 PM New Haven UMC

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March 7th, 2009

On this Saturday, Oklahoma will be having a statewide conference on Down syndrome. This will be held in Oklahoma City at the Moore Norman Technology Center, South Penn Campus from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This all day conference will include Keynote Speakers, Self-Advocates and workshops to learn more about helping individuals with Down syndrome to live productive, independent, successful lives.

Be looking for more information coming in the January newsletter. If you have any questions, please email conferenceinfo@dsaco.org.