

# WEEKLY WIRE

## First Annual Charity Golf Classic & Lobster Feast is a Successful

On Monday, June 22nd, the temperatures outside approached 100 degrees, but the heat was no match for our team. Club members and volunteers arrived bright and early that morning to prepare for the onslaught of the players and celebrities. Everyone put it into high gear and we were ready and waiting when the first guest/player arrived.

Check-in went smoothly, a hamburger lunch was enjoyed by all, and then the shotgun sounded as 15 teams hit their first tee shot to begin the scramble. Opportunities for two closest-to-the-pin prizes had everyone trying their best to hit that winning shot. Of course, the most sought after prize was the two donated American Airlines round trip tickets. There was also an opportunity to win a hole-in-one prize sponsored by Cadillac Grill, but it proved to be too much of a challenge for the group. Better luck next year!

While the golfers had fun and tried not to melt in the sun, 'Lobster Boy' Darrell and his assistants Roma, Greg and Teresa were enduring the kitchen's heat as they prepared for the Lobster Feast. When the tournament concluded, over 100 people dined on fresh lobster,

fabulous marinated ginger chicken breasts, awesome potatoes and corn on the cob. "Feast" was definitely the word to best describe this meal!

The highlight of the evening, however, was not the food, but rather the presentation of AmTrykes to some very special children. And to make it even more special, Sue Haywood, Mother of the AmTryke, was present to personally fit the trykes to the kids. There were huge smiles, some tears and lots of loud applause as each child tried out their tryke for the first time. Dallas Cowboy Marcus Spears posed with them for photos, as did Brady Tinker of DFW Sports Beat. Something tells me that this will be a moment in time that many will cherish for years to come.

"Now how can it get any better than that?," you might ask. Well, it does! When the winning ticket for the Big Hat Full of Cash drawing was pulled, one of the little girls who had just received a tryke WON \$300! In the next raffle drawing, the brother of another tryke recipient won the football autographed by Tony Romo. Moments later, I heard someone say, "Wow, God is so good!" Do you I hear "Amen"

to that?

Now for the business side of the event. Once all the bills were paid out of the money made from the sponsorships, entry fees, silent auction, putting contest and raffles, the Marcus Spears 96 Foundation and Mid-Cities AMBUCS each made just under \$2,900 for our organizations. While this amount is lower than either group had hoped for, it will still make a big difference in helping us to accomplish our missions.

We can hold our heads up high because we pulled-off a huge event in a short period of time, when some said it couldn't be done correctly without more time. Cliff, you said you would prove us wrong and you did. Thank you very much! Through it all we have gained some great experience and set a strong foundation to make next year's event bigger and better than ever!

Now is the time to start getting commitments for 2010 sponsorships. Companies are in their business planning process right now for next year and we want to be one of their budget line items.

Let's WIN big in 2010!

*Pictures are worth a 1000 words. Enjoy the Photo Gallery on page 2.*

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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Weekly Meeting @ IHOP—2710 S. Hwy. 121 (btwn. Cheek-Sparger & Glade on the east side of 121)	6
Weekly Meeting (Bring School Supplies)	13
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### ACTION ITEMS

- Orval will locate a new meeting location since Tequila Factory has been shut down.
- Fund-raising Committee to meet next week to discuss plans for next golf tournament, as well as all other fund-raising ideas. Committee Chair Ala Joy will report at the next board meeting.
- Walter is to bring next week's door prizes.
- Buy School Supplies

Door Prize Winners:  
Mary and Teresa

# PHOTO GALLERY



Tournament King Cliff  
kicks-off the festivities



Sue Hayward,  
the heart behind  
AmTrykes, fits  
the kids to their  
trykes!



Lobster Boy Darrell takes a  
break to pose with Marcus



Big Hat of Cash winner is Olivia!



Orval shows off our new poster



Lots of FAMILY  
volunteers were  
there to help us!



Greg takin' the big  
tryke for a test  
ride or just playin'  
around...hmmm.

Celebrating was in order at the end of the day!



Registration team preps for action!



# Volunteer Opportunities

Compass Church (Roma & Greg and Brenda & Orval are members here) is organizing a group of volunteers to help Grapevine Relief And Community Exchange (GRACE) with their summer program called "Feed Our Kids." The volunteers will be going each day Monday through Friday, July 20-25, to Grapevine Middle School to feed a free meal to the many underprivileged neighborhood kids who have to stay home in the summer while their parents work. A team will go each day to help prepare and serve these meals. If you can give of your time to help, please contact Jay Franks at Compass Church, 817-906-1478.



**Side Note:** Plans are to have our club get involved directly with GRACE on future volunteer opportunities. This non-profit relief agency provides food, clothing, financial assistance, and other vital necessities to people who are struggling with a limited income or recent emergency. The philosophy of GRACE is that encouraging self-sufficiency will, in turn, encourage community cohesiveness.

Grapevine Convention & Visitors Bureau is helping to recruit volunteers for the Women's Classic Tennis Tournament hosted by the Hilton DFW Lakes.

Parking attendants and ticket takers are needed July 6-12.

Shifts are as follows:

- 9:30-12:30
- 12:30-3:30
- 3:30-7:30



All volunteers will get free admission to the tournament and a volunteer's shirt.

If you are interested in helping at this event, please email Hamish Mackay at [Hamish.MacKay@hilton.com](mailto:Hamish.MacKay@hilton.com) or call him at 832-279-4309.

# School Supplies Needed



With a new school year just around the corner, the Alliance for Children needs our help again. Many of their children and families need assistance with new backpacks and school supplies. If you can help, please bring your items to our meeting on July 13th, OR you can give money to our resident shopper ROMA and she will do her magic on your behalf.

## Shopping List

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|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Backpacks               | Scissors       | Crayons            |
| Pencils                 | Notebook Paper | Glue Sticks        |
| Pens (black, red, blue) | School Boxes   | Construction Paper |
| Rulers                  | Folders        | Map Pencils        |