

NATHANIEL'S HOPE PRESENTS THE 12th ANNUAL



Make 'm Smile

VIP INFORMATION

Saturday, June 7, 2014 at Lake Eola in Downtown Orlando

Dear Make 'm Smile VIP,

We are excited that you are planning to join us for our 12th Annual Make 'm Smile festival on **Saturday, June 7, 2014** at Lake Eola in downtown Orlando. We have a great day of fun and lots of smiles planned in honor of you and your family. **Please carefully review the following "Day-Of" information and map.**

• PARKING INFO:

The enclosed map will help you become familiar with the FREE parking lots we have secured close to Lake Eola. **BONUS:** There will be a loading/unloading area and **FREE valet services on both the west and east end** of Robinson Street for those that need special assistance. To assist our parking team in directing you to the VIP parking areas, please put the enclosed parking pass on your dashboard. If you are coming from the East, the drop off at **Eola and Robinson would be your easiest and best option.** Parking is on a first-come, first-served basis.

• REGISTRATION:

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. When you arrive, you must check in at one of the two registration areas located near Robinson & Rosalind or Robinson & Eola Dr. - just look for the **GREEN tents! (The location near Eola Dr. is often less crowded.)** When you check-in, VIPs and their immediate families (moms, dads, and siblings who live at home with you) will receive **complementary** wristbands, as you are our honored guests. These wristbands will give you access to the event and all of the FREE food & goodies (while supplies last). **Extended family members and friends will be asked to make a minimal \$3 per person donation per wristband, or a \$10 donation for a 4 pack of wristbands** in order to receive access to all aspects of the event, including food & goodies. Our event is growing and we want to continue to honor our VIP kids! From there you will be directed to meet your Buddy and begin the Friendship Stroll. Please let the volunteers at the Buddy Match-Up area know if you would prefer a Buddy that speaks Spanish or knows ASL. We will be happy to accommodate you if one is available at the time.

***REMEMBER: You must check in at a registration tent to receive your wristbands that allow you to participate in the event & enjoy FREE food and beverages.**

• FRIENDSHIP STROLL:

As you make a new friend, we encourage you to take this opportunity to educate your Buddy about your story and some of the unique challenges that a family with a VIP child might face. Please note that the Buddies from our community are not directly affiliated with Nathaniel's Hope. **Please do NOT leave your child unattended with your Buddy.**

NEW THIS YEAR!!! Kids will be able to redeem a voucher for a FREE Chick-fil-A kids meal coupon at the Amphitheatre between 9:00 – 11:00 am! Just look for the cows!!!

• ESPECIALLY FOR VIPs:

There will be continuous fun for the whole family, but we are happy to include a few items specifically for our VIPs! **We will be offering free event t-shirts to all VIPs!** (Additional t-shirts will be available for

a minimum donation at our BLUE Tents.) Be sure to keep an eye out for other VIP goodies as you stroll around Lake Eola!

• **NEED HELP?**

Stop by our **YELLOW** information tents or stop any of our Smile Team members in orange shirts.

• **MEDICAL & RESPITE CARE TENT:**

For your convenience, there will be a VIP care station available on Robinson Street to tend to some of your child's special needs. It will have a private changing area with a cot as well as electricity available and some extra hands to assist you. There will also be two **RED** first aid tents located around the lake.

• **WEATHER - RAIN OR SHINE – COME!**

We will be there... unless there is a tropical storm or hurricane in the area!☺ Be sure to bring your umbrella or poncho, just in case! **For any important last minute “Day-Of” information**, please visit www.NathanielsHope.org. You can also tune into **Z88.3** or visit www.wftv.com. You can follow us on Twitter @NathanielsHope or on Facebook!!!!

• **OTHER FUN FACTS...**

- For up-to-date information and to see an event map or schedule for Make 'm Smile, visit us online at www.Nathanielshope.org, and click on **Make 'M Smile Day-of-Event Info**.
- We have tried to group together our 85+ resource exhibitors in categories to assist you in finding resources easier, i.e. organizations that serve kids with autism together, deaf and blind etc.
- Be sure to check out all of our ZONES this year:
 - The **“FUN Zone”** sponsored by Walgreens, where VIP kids can bounce in bounce houses, engage in a dance party with a live DJ, and ride a train!
 - Visit our NEW **“Buddy Break Boardwalk”** sponsored by Children First. Here you will be able to play games, visit Character Corner, and learn about our FREE kids' respite program all over the state!
 - **“Animal Land”** sponsored by Leland Management. Visit all kinds of animals, including llamas, Chris P. Bacon -the special needs pig, Gatorland and petting zoos!
 - Get cooled off at the Westgate Resorts **“WET Zone”** located on the South Side of Lake Eola on the bridge.
 - Visit the **“Health & Sports Zone”** where you can play soccer and learn how to live a healthy lifestyle!
 - The **“Party Place”** at the Amphitheater is where you can meet special characters, such as SeaWorld's Shamu & Cookie Monster. Also, enjoy music with contemporary Christian recording artists Heather Williams and Carolyn Pankalla! This year we are also featuring “THE STARS,” a performance music group from the Chicago area, made up of young adults with intellectual disabilities who will be performing a Disney Medley!

We have lots of fun for you! Be sure to schedule enough time to enjoy all of the fun activities around the lake! You are our honored guest! If there is anything that we can do for you, please stop by a **YELLOW** Nathaniel's Hope Information Tent or speak with one of our Smile Team volunteers in the bright orange shirts. Please, invite your friends to participate as VIPs or Buddies. They can register in person at the event on Saturday! If you have any questions, please call 407-857-8224.

This day is planned in YOUR honor, to celebrate YOU! We pray that God would bless you with lots of smiles! Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Sharing the Hope with Smiles,

Tim + Marie ☺

Tim & Marie Kuck
Co-Founders and Nathaniel's Dad & Mom