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A Quote from a Parent:

A BounceBack Kids Parent says, "A positive part of the BounceBack Kids experience has been the networking that has occurred within the families. Finding ways to pay for expensive medical treatment is always a challenge, so sharing our successes with each other has been very helpful."

Dear Friend of BounceBack Kids,
We have several special events in the next few months. I want to highlight a few of them this month: the Hope Bus tour, our Open House, and Basketball Marathon. Please mark these exciting events on your calendar.

I am delighted to report that we, along with the Duke-Carolina Student Basketball Marathon, have been chosen as the participating charities for Durham-Chapel Hill for the Hope Bus (www.thehopebus.org). The Hope Bus is highlighting 50 charities in 50 days as it travels down the East Coast from New York City to Miami.

"The mission of the Hope Bus is threefold:

- (1) To bring awareness of local and grassroots charities to community residents. To this end, The Hope Team will visit selected charities, learn more about the charities through interviews, and share their stories via social media networks;
- (2) To inspire community residents (collectively and individually) to become involved in volunteerism in an effort to create a neighborhood support system; and
- (3) To **[lead]** by example, The Hope Bus Tour will encourage charities to build alliances and share scarce resources in an effort to strengthen their organizations in a tough economy that is especially challenging for nonprofits."

Our Hope Bus event will be on **Tuesday, October 13**, most likely in the late afternoon/early evening. We will announce details as soon as we have them.

We will hold our Second Annual Open House at the Emily K Center on **Saturday, November 21**. This is an opportunity for the community to learn about our program. Please plan to attend and encourage others to do so.

The 5th Duke-Carolina Student Basketball Marathon will be held on **Friday, January 15, 2010 - Saturday, January 16, 2010** at Fetzer Gym at UNC. We will hold a Kickoff Dinner on Thursday, January 14 at a location in Durham to be determined. As always, the Marathon will end with a performance by BounceBack Kids. Please save the dates and plan to participate.

I want to extend a warm welcome and hearty thank-you to the 2010 Co-Directors of the Marathon: Jonathan Cross, Duke 2010; Ryan Knowles, Duke 2010; Roxanne Neumann, UNC 2011; and Jake Paysour, UNC 2010. Jonathan hails from Springfield, Virginia and is majoring in Religion and Arabic. He has served as Operations Chair for the last two years. Ryan is from Cincinnati and is majoring in Psychology. Ryan has played in the Marathon the last three years and served on the Marketing

Ways You Can Help

Interested in learning about other ways you can help BounceBack Kids? Read on for ways in which volunteers can help BounceBack Kids and for items on our wishlist.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- assist with group basketball or social & recreational activities
- assist with fundraising
- grant writing
- write articles for our newsletter or other social networking sites
- distribute promotional materials in the community
- speak on behalf of BounceBack Kids at events
- put together information packets

Wishlist:

- small filing cabinet
- postage
- copy paper
- business-sized envelopes
- two-pocket folders

Did you know that a donation of **\$25** will purchase tickets for 6 children to attend a local sporting event? Go to our [website](#) to make an on-line tax-deductible donation.

To refer a child- Email [Lisa](#)

To volunteer: Email [Megan](#)

Committee last year. Roxanne hails from Greensboro and is majoring in Sports Administration and Psychology. She has organized and captained a team for the Marathon and served as Special Events chair last year. Jake is from Troutville, Virginia and is majoring in Economics. Jake is new to Basketball Marathon, but has held a variety of leadership positions at other UNC organizations. We look forward to working with all of you and the many other students who make Basketball Marathon such a wonderful event.

In addition to these and other special events, we will, of course, continue with our weekend activities. For updates on all our activities and events, please visit our website, www.bouncebackkids.org; [become a fan](#) of BounceBack Kids on Facebook, and [follow us on Twitter](#).

Hope to see you soon,
Lisa

September Calendar

To RSVP please email [Megan](#).

Saturday September 12- Group Basketball With Coach Mike

What: High quality basketball instruction that includes various basketball drills such as passing and pivoting, dribbling, shooting and non-competitive games.

Where: [Emily K Family Life Center, 904 W. Chapel Hill St, Durham, NC 27701](#)

When: Saturday, September 12th, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Saturday September 19th- Group Fitness at Empower

What: Join us for 45 minutes of group fitness activities which include a "settling in" period, a fitness or exercise routine and a cool-down and stretching period.

Where: Empower Personal Training, [3211 Shannon Rd Ste 105, Durham](#)

When: Saturday, September 19th, 10:00 am

More Information: www.becomepowerful.com

Saturday Septbmer 26th- Paint Your Own Pottery

What: Join us for paint your own pottery. Pick your piece and the paint.

Where: Pottery Camp, [Hwy 70, Clayton, NC 27520](#)

When: Saturday, September 26th, 11:00 am

More Information: www.potterycamp.com

👉BounceBack Kids One of Six Charities To Receive Donations From Think Louise Beck Realty

The good folks at Think Louise Beck Realty started a program to give back to the community. When someone buys or sells a home with Think Louise Beck, they'll donate \$150 to a

partnered charity, one of which is BounceBack Kids. Additionally, if one of their preferred vendors is used, that vendor will also make a donation. Vendors include First Capital Mortgage, LLC, Versatile Edge Home Repairs, Atlantis Painting, Linnie W. Causey, Attorney, and R. Thomas & Company Home Inspector.

Laptops Donated to BounceBack Kids

Durham's [Kramden Institute](#), a non-profit that awards computers to kids in need, recently donated two laptops to BounceBack Kids. The laptops will be loaned to BounceBack Kids participants who are hospitalized. They will help participants keep up with school work, allow them to communicate with friends and family, and provide some entertainment while in the hospital. BounceBack Kids wholeheartedly thanks the Kramden Institute for this very needed resource!

BounceBack Kids 101

Are you interested in volunteering with BounceBack Kids? Come to our "BounceBack Kids 101" volunteer training on September 26th. Time and place TBA.

New Brochures

BounceBack Kids has brand new brochures. If you would like some to distribute, please let [Megan](#) know.



BounceBack Kids enriches the lives of children with serious medical conditions and their families through free year-round social, athletic, and recreational activities offered in a caring and supportive environment that is medically-safe. Core programs include group and individual basketball, group and individual fitness, recreational and social activities, support services, and a college planning guide.

