



The Gary Plumery Foundation

Enhancing the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

Newsletter

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Gary's Corner

Aunt Sylvia, Uncle Carl and Gary came out to California for a week to stay with us. Bill and I went to the airport to pick them up and it became quite clear that Gary had been told we have a dog and a cat. Gary was afraid of cats and he must have been worried about being in our house for a week with our cat.

After giving Aunt Sylvia and Uncle Carl hugs, I went to give my cousin a big kiss and hug. Instead of saying hello, he said "Marilyn, is it true that you have a cat?" I told him yes but that Guernsey was a friendly cat. He did not believe me, of course!

On the third day of their visit, I came home from work at lunch to find our cat asleep on Gary's stomach. He looked at me and said, "She's ok for a cat!"

– Marilyn Haugh

If you would like to submit stories for inclusion in Gary's Corner, email Rich at Plumery@aol.com.

2012 Holiday Wish List and Party



The Gary Plumery Foundation is proud to sponsor the Holiday Wish List again this year. The Foundation will be hosting a gift giving party for the clients on December 18th at Developmental Pathways. We hope to be able to fulfill 25 clients' requests this holiday season! See our Holiday Wish List Insert for inspiration and information about how you can help make the Holidays a little better for these individuals.

Special Olympics Sports

When the fall Special Olympics program began this year, over fifteen athletes needed help paying the fees for their participation. They were thrilled to receive Gary Plumery Foundation Scholarships that would enable them to compete. The bowlers and volleyball teams had great fun as well as success, and won both regional and state medals!



Wear Yellow and Get Fit!

A special project began for several clients who participated in a program setting individual workout goals for each of them. Anyone committing to this program was honored to wear a yellow Gary Plumery Foundation shirt, indicating they were up to the challenge.



Halloween Dance



Just over 100 goblins and ghouls, their staff and a few family members appeared for the Annual Halloween Dance October 25th at Pathways Aurora Office, fully funded this year by the GPF. There was a dynamite new DJ who was thrilled at the enthusiasm of the revelers. The room filled with the usual Michael Jackson faves, 'The Monster Mash' (of course!), a particularly scary rendition of 'YMCA', and many more current tunes. There were frightful light hors d'oeuvres and punch to keep everyone happy, games, and a variety of fun Halloween crafts to make and take home. At the end of the night, the DJ made a special announcement of thanks to the Gary Plumery Foundation, which led to cheers throughout the room.

Upcoming Events

Every year, the Gary Plumery Foundation sponsors a Special Olympic End of the Year Banquet. This year it will be held after the first of the year. For this event, athletes and coaches come together and everyone enjoys a dinner and receives a certificate and recognition for their participation throughout the year.

10th Annual Gary Plumery Foundation Golf Tournament

The 10th Annual Gary Plumery Foundation Golf Tournament, presented by Maax Sunglasses, was held July 2, 2012 once again at the Pinery County Club in Parker, CO. The tournament was a huge success, raising over \$13,000 for the foundation. This is our major fundraiser of the year which supports all of the programs we fund, including the Holiday Wish List (see enclosure).

The day began at 8:00 with a shotgun start for the 100 eager golfers who were once again provided with a beautiful Colorado golf weather day and some sharp looking shades from Rick and Nancy Milner from Maax Sunglasses. The golf was followed by lunch with entertainment provided by Jolly Demis, who continues to donate his time and humor to benefit the foundation. Jolly has hosted this event the past 10 years.

We want to congratulate the winning foursome of Charlie Post, Brian Hosier, Scott Glander and Ron Willis for their excellent play and especially thank all of our course and hole sponsors and encourage you to support them. We also like to thank all our relatives who once again traveled from out of town to support this event, especially since they were here a few months earlier due to Sylvia's sudden illness and passing. Without the support of our friends and family, we would not have been as successful as we have these past 10 years. We love y'all!

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Developmental Pathways is a non-profit agency created to serve persons with developmental disabilities and their families. Pathways provides a broad array of services so that participation in community life is attainable for every individual with a developmental disability.

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