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From L to R Jesse Parker, Bobby Coward, Rab Curry, Jimi and Janette Green enjoying the company at the last year's picnic



Saturday
August 18, 2007

1:00 - 4:00PM

Courtyard of
ECNV

On Saturday, August 18, 2007, 1:00pm to 4:00pm, the SCI Network will hold it's Annual Picnic/Redskin Season Tickets Raffle. As always we will be selling 100 chances on Redskin Season Tickets. The chances sell for \$100 each with a limit of 100 available for purchase. Along with the Redskin tickets as the 1st place prize, there are 9-second place cash prizes of \$200. This allows for one of ten chances of winning, if not the tickets, at least double your money back. If there are those of you who have never purchased the \$100 chance and have other questions about the raffle and picnic please contact the office.

We will have a cookout of burgers, hotdogs, chicken, with all accompaniments and beverages. There will also be door prizes including a drawing for an iPod. The event will be held in the courtyard of The ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia at 3100 Clarendon Blvd. in Arlington, VA. Everybody is wel-

comed! Check with Metro to see the updates at the elevator at the Clarendon Metro (Orange Line).

At this years picnic we will also have a display of bikes for people with disabilities. John Brunow from **Bikes @ Vienna** will be displaying the various bikes for people with disabilities. Included in these is a handcycle, bike with wheelchair attached, and tandem bikes with electric motor added power. John has these bikes for rental and for sale at his Vienna location along the W&OD bike trail.



From the Editor

Keeping with the SCI Network's theme of "Getting people back into life", we find one of the major ways of doing so, is through sporting activities.

This edition of the SCI Network Connector Newsletter is focused on active and passive sports related activities. The first is for spectators, that being the Redskins football team, where members have a chance to participate in our annual ticket raffle. Secondly, handcycles and other means of biking. Thirdly, the June SCI Network golf tournament. Fourthly, Adventist Knights basketball team. Fifthly, the Capitol Punishers quad rugby team.

John Howard "Getting Back Into Life" Golf Tournament

On Saturday, June 2, 2007, the SCI Network hosted the John Howard "Getting Back Into Life" Golf Tournament at the Cross Creek Golf Club located in Beltsville, MD. 27 golfers participated in the event which was successful in developing goodwill and awareness of the needs of those who have survived spinal cord injury.

A number of well-known organizations made financial and in-kind contributions. These included The Men of Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Wal-Mart, Industrial Bank, Arent Fox, Independent Benefit Services, Air Tran, Virginia Lottery, CiCi's Pizza, Fuddruckers, The Hartford, Reliance Standard, The Guardian and The Aetna and Gutterman Services.

The event featured a Challenger

Division where teams were required to have at least one disabled golfer.

First Place in the Challenger Division went to the AARP Team consisting of Patrick Tucker, Albert Fierro, Leslie Jones and David Bardach. Second Place in the Challenger Division went to the Independent Benefit Services Team consisting of Jon Watkins, Tom Muldoon, Beverly Rhoden and Jesse Parker.

First Place in the Open Division went to The Men Of Mount Calvary Baptist Church consisting of Matt Bryant, Winston Cox, Andrew Sergeant and Joseph Tolliver. Second Place on the Open Division went to Team McFarlane consisting of Barry McFarlane, Robert McFarlane, Leslie McFarlane and Richard Boissonniere.

John Howard



The Longest Drive Competition was won by Richard Boissonniere. Closest To The Pin Competitions were won by Matt Bryant, Barry McFarlane and Jesse Parker.

Next year's event will be held in September, the Saturday after Labor Day. We hope to be at Cross Creek Golf Club again. Please be on the look out for more details as the date gets closer. If you would like to be a golfer or a volunteer for next year's event (or know someone else who does), please give us a call at the Spinal Cord Injury Network office at (301) 424-8335.

Third Annual Adventist Knights Wheelchair Basketball Tournament

The Adventist Knights Wheelchair Basketball Team will host its Third Annual Basketball Tournament Saturday and Sunday September 29th and 30th 2007 at the Discovery Sports Center at the Soccerplex located in Germantown, Maryland.

This year's tournament will feature 12 Division III teams from all over the country. We have confirmed that there will be two teams coming from California, as well as teams from Philadel-

phia, Pittsburgh, Charlottesville, Virginia Beach, Harrisonburg, Baltimore, Lexington, KY and two teams from Washington, DC.

We are looking for volunteers to help us with team registration, game and shot clock management, statistician, scorekeeper and a host of other very important functions. If you would like to volunteer, please call Noreen Spencer at (240) 864-6016.



Participants in the Gold Tournament



From the Sidelines of Quad Rugby Team

The Washington, DC area quad rugby team, the Capitol Punishers has just completed their inaugural season. The team attended multiple tournaments this year including ones in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, New York, Canada and Raleigh. The Punishers left the Raleigh Rumble tournament with a championship trophy.

The team has grown over the past year from 4 consistent players up to 14 at times now. The team plans to continue their win-

ning streak in the upcoming season and will start practice again in August.

The first tournament on the agenda will be the team's host tournament, The First Annual Capitol Clash Oct. 26-28 in the Northern Virginia area, featuring teams from North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Utah.

The team has many dedicated individuals who show up and work hard each week, so come out to our tourna-

ment and support them!! Please visit our website at www.capitolpunishers.com for current updates. For more information please contact Heather Campbell at (202) 877-1528.



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