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United Parent Support for Down Syndrome

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**See p. 3: Temporary Location change**

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## NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

OCTOBER IS DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH! Let the celebrations begin (or by the time you



*At the September meeting, Becky O. registered for PUNS, sharing her needs and interests with her parents and a case worker.*

receive this, continue!). UPS for DownS offers a variety of activities for this month of awareness. Please look carefully at this newsletter so you can participate in the many offerings we have around the community.

I'm so pleased to have a "Down Syndrome Awareness Month." Nowadays, most causes only get one day. But we get the entire month, so I hope you make the best of it and share some of your time and knowledge with others in your community. You can start with your child's school. Many of us enjoy sharing a book at reading time, like *We'll Paint the Octopus Red* or *It's Okay to be Different*. These are great books to read with the early elementary grades as jumping off points to talk about Down syndrome. Or ask your local library for an area to display books related to Down syndrome. Pick up some of the latest NADS Down syndrome awareness posters and pass them out to your pediatrician's office, or better yet, ask to hang them up at your local park district, YMCA, or the social center where you worship. For those of you who are more ambitious, call your local

newspaper and share a story about how your child has enriched your family's life or highlight their participation in sports or school. Submit a DS awareness article in your child's school newsletter. Send out a photo of your child to your relatives with a brief note to wish them a happy DS Awareness month!!

UFD is fortunate to have many resources to share such as our brochures: Simple Answers to Kids (*Not So Simple*) Questions or the Language Guide, How Do I Talk about DS. Both are available in Spanish and may be downloaded from our website [www.upsfordowns.org](http://www.upsfordowns.org). Hopefully, you attended last month's meeting and picked up copies of Libby Kumin's latest book *Helping Children with Down Syndrome Communicate Better* and a sibling journal, *Who Asked Me?* to be donated in your local community. Additionally, we have Patricia Oelwein's *Teaching Reading to Children with Down Syndrome* available by teacher or therapist request on behalf of the Katie MacDonald Literacy Project.

Our children are the best resources for creating awareness in our communities. Take time this month to bring your child to the park, attend a fall festival, rake leaves in your front lawn, play soccer, go to the movies, eat out, or just be part of the community where you live. It's important that our children and families are seen living and learning in their own communities. It is through ordinary experiences that the public at large will learn about the gifts and potential of persons with Down syndrome. Enjoy your celebrations!!

*Sandy Pazurinas*

Co-Chair

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# UPS FOR DOWNS OCTOBER MEETING



Note location change for October and November meetings

## NAVIGATING THE INSURANCE MAZE

Thursday, October 23, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church; 1903 E. Euclid Avenue, Lower Level, Room 10, Arlington Heights

Susan Dressler of HealthClaim Assistance, Inc. will explain the “dos and don’ts” of today’s insurance industry. Susan has worked for 17 years with insurance benefits and medical claims. Her experiences throughout those years have given her an in-depth understanding of the difficulties encountered by the insured and their families.

Free on-site child care is available to parents attending the meeting. Space is limited. You must RSVP for child care with the names and ages of your children no later than **Monday, October 20th** to [MaryLynn624@yahoo.com](mailto:MaryLynn624@yahoo.com) or 847-895-2100.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, October 11, 2008  
Marathon Team Pasta Dinner

Sunday, October 12, 2008  
Bank of America Chicago Marathon

Friday, October 17, 2008  
Disc Golf Dinner Dance

Saturday, October 25, 2008  
TeenScene Halloween Dance

Saturday, November 1, 2008  
Parent Night Out: Chili Challenge

Wednesday, November 5, 2008  
Parent Coffee and Playgroup

Saturday, November 8, 2008  
NADS Conference followed by UFD Hospitality Suite

Saturday, November 15, 2008  
TeenScene: High School Musical 3

Thursday, November 20, 2008  
Monthly Meeting: Microboards & Coops



*Please Note:* UPS for DownS is a volunteer group consisting of parents, rather than educational, medical, or legal professionals. The UPS for DownS newsletter is similarly written on a volunteer, non-professional basis. Information presented in the newsletter should not be construed to be objective or definitive, but represents the opinions and understandings of the contributors. We are not responsible for reliance made on any information in this newsletter. We wish to bring together those interested in Down syndrome and attempt to create an optimistic outlook and attitude about Down syndrome for our families and others.



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**We will be meeting at this location for October and November while our regular meeting place undergoes reconstruction due to flooding.**

First United Methodist Church  
1903 E. Euclid Avenue  
Lower Level, Rm. 10  
Arlington Heights

### Programming Note:

Thirteen years ago my son Zach was born at 10:24 p.m. on a Friday night and I was discharged from the hospital by noon the next day. Yes, Saturday, it wasn't even 24 hours later. My newborn was left behind in the PICU. Some of you may remember those years of "Drive Through Baby Deliveries."

Managing healthcare and insurance benefits was a nightmare of confusion, in part because of restrictions based "pre-existing conditions." I remember being connected to a lady at our health insurance company who worked in the Underwriting Department. After spending many hours on the phone with her while she explained the ins and outs and the dos and don'ts in the insurance industry, I offered to take her to lunch. It was the least I could do for the valuable information she shared with me. I drove to Milwaukee; we went to lunch and then she offered me a job, assuring me that I now knew more about insurance than most of the claim people who answer the phones!

Insurance has come a long way since then... or has it? I'm looking forward to learning something new at this month's UPS for DownS meeting. I hope to see you there, too.

*Melinda Zambito*

## Families STAND UP to BE COUNTED

UPS for DownS families did their part to stand up and be counted! By registering their children with PUNS and advising the state that they exist and may be in need of services, dozens of families helped to make policymakers aware of our needs. Newborns to 18 year olds were registered, with families coming from many Chicago suburbs, Chicago proper, Lake and DuPage Counties.



*Grandma and Grandpa came along with Andres and his family.*

Though most arrived a bit nervous and uncertain about what to expect, most found the experience easier than they anticipated - and commented that doing it through this organized effort was much less intimidating than trying to figure out how to do it on their own.

Nearly everyone enjoyed socializing at the concurrent meeting, joining together to prepare themselves for their turn, discuss the experience, meet other families (there were many new faces) or to pick up books to donate to their local school and public libraries.



*Wendy shared stories about her kids with Lisa and Sandy.*



*Liz signs in to register her teenager, Josh*

To find an Independent Service Coordination Agency in your area you can call the Division of Developmental Disabilities Hotline at 1-888-DD-PLANS and 1-866-376-8446 (TTY), or you can go to the website listed below to find a local coordination agency in your area.

<http://www.dd.illinois.gov>

# Old-Fashioned Fun at Camp TimberLee



Our family has attended the UPS for DownS Camp Timber-lee family retreat for the past 7 years. Each year new and veteran “campers” join the UPS for DownS family for a weekend of old fashioned camp fun.

2008 was no exception. Families came together for s’mores and singing ‘round the campfire, hiking, canoeing, archery (*Pesce family, above*), trail rides, leather crafting, hayride, climbing tower, and science animal encounter. It is so cool to see the kids petting chinchillas and holding snakes during the up close and personal animal encounter. (*at left, Bryan examines a turtle with his mom, Connie; Sandy and Angie touch a snake to feel its smooth skin*).



On Saturday night, after a hayride and campfire, the kids organized “The Balsam Basement Bash”, a talent show that included children with Down syndrome and their siblings. This clever bunch of kids told jokes, danced, sang songs, and entertained all of us in American Idol fashion.

We nearly passed up the retreat this year because of conflicts with soccer, gymnastics, and cheerleading schedules. However, because it is one of my family’s favorite fall treats, we unanimously agreed it was worth missing every other commitment that weekend. Hope to see you around the campfire next year!



## UPS for DownS TO HOST HOSPITALITY SUITE AT NADS 2008 CONFERENCE

Do you plan to attend the NADS conference on November 8th?

If so, look for the post-conference hospitality suite hosted by UPS for DownS. It's a great way to meet new people and share your thoughts and experiences of the day. The hospitality suite will be held at the Convention Center at the conclusion of the workshop sessions (approximately 4:30) in Room 55/57.

Look for signs at the conference.  
All are welcome.

## OVERHEARD.

Time-sensitive information is shared and interesting discussions regularly occur on the UPS for DownS' e-group. Don't miss out!  
Sign up today!

To join, send an e-mail to [upsfordowns-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:upsfordowns-subscribe@yahoo.com)

**Recently, there was discussion on our e-group about the 9/28/08 Chicago Tribune article featuring Angie Picchi. Her mom, Linda, pitched in with this comment, providing encouragement to parents of children who may have complex needs that present additional challenges.**

## SAVE THE DATE: NADS conference day Saturday, November 8th

NADS 2008 Conference  
Imagine the Possibilities

November 8, 2008  
Rosemont Conference Center

[www.nads.org](http://www.nads.org)  
for more information

NADS

National Association for  
Down Syndrome

*Jack F.'s parents knew he had plans to go to the Homecoming dance at Carl Sandburg High School. What they didn't know was that he'd asked a girl to go, she said "yes" and he had a date! The details came to light when her mother called to confirm the details.*

*Friends for several years, this was a first date for both teens - but not their last together.*



But this whole thing is about each and every one of your kids being valued by the medical community as worthwhile human beings, not just the ones who can share their lives in front of a room full of doctors or nurses! For those who have challenges and those who have gifts, every one of our kids deserve to be celebrated and our families should be allowed to have hope.  
That is all that we ask!



First timers Matt Kaman and his parents, Bill and Bev Kaman, will be back!

# Just add Water!

## Wet, Wild and crazy Rallye

Once again, a huge thanks to Gary Sakata and The Wheels Rallye Team for putting on a successful and adventurous event for UPS for Downs!



Ken and Tania Kothera won second place with the help of the Geibel family.

In spite of the rain and floods, Gary was able to adapt the course last minute and allow those who came out to have a great time! With the worst rain in decades, we had fewer cars than in past years, but more than we expected! The addition of rain, closed intersections and flooded parks created more fun challenges that the participants had to overcome.

Each year we meet new first time rallyists who become hooked and are already planning on joining future rallyes!

There were 35 cars with 135 total participants. Two cars got all the puzzles right and two cars got only one puzzle wrong. The winning car stopped at 14 locations! The average number of locations visited was 8.5. The average number of puzzles answered correctly was 16 out of 22, higher than previous years! Congratulations to Ford/Pazerunas vehicle for 1st place and Kothera/ Giebel for 2nd place for UFD.


Thank you to Fuddrucker's which graciously stayed open past normal business hours to accommodate our large hungry crowd after the rallye and also donated a portion of UPS for Downs receipts for the day to our wonderful group. Fuddrucker's also donated a handful of free meal cards that some lucky participants won.

We'd also like to thank Daily Office Products in Itasca for their donation of supplies for the rallye.

And, last but not least, thank you to all who ventured out and dined at Fuddrucker's on that rainy day.



Cristina Cassata and Nicole Paradise are presented their winning trophy by Gary Sakata, organizer of the Great Puzzler Rallye.

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**UPS FOR DOWNS MEETING:**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**MICROBOARDS AND**

**CO-OPS: SELF**

**DIRECTED LIVING**

**OPTIONS THAT ARE**

**CONNECTED TO THE**

**COMMUNITY**

**Do a little dance, bring a little love, get down tonight!**

**Salsa Ball**

Friday, October 17th 2008 • 6:30 PM to Midnight

Drinks • Dinner and Dancing • Silent Auction • Raffles

The Cocillon • 360 S. Creekside Drive • Palatine

Featuring • The Gentleman of Leisure

Enter to win round trip, multi cities, air transportation for winner and companion to any AMERICAN AIRLINES and/or AMERICAN EAGLE destination in the Continental U.S. and Caribbean. (Excludes Hawaii and Alaska.)

\* See Travel Terms & Conditions.

**Sold Out!**

For additional information please call 708.348.8668

# UPS FOR DOWNS NEXT PARENT NIGHT

## CHILI CHALLENGE

**WHERE: DEVINE/FORD HOME IN ORLAND PARK**

**DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST**

**TIME: 7:00 P.M.**

What to bring: We need 3 or 4 crockpots of chili for the challenge. But, there are plenty of other things, too: chili toppings, beverages, salad, bread, desserts. Let us know what you can contribute to the feast.

Don't feel like you get a chance to really talk during our regular monthly meetings? This is a great opportunity for parents to relax, relate and reconnect.

RSVP to Terri and Jim at 708-349-9669 or devineford@comcast.net

Come join us for fun, food, and laughter (and maybe a good old-fashioned board game or two).



## UPS for Downs Running Team

Each step you take in training and on race day will continue Katie's Legacy of Literacy



Bank of America  
CHICAGO MARATHON



### Katie MacDonald Down syndrome Literacy Project

Forty Marathoners are coming from across the United States to run on behalf of UPS for Downs. They deserve our thanks and support.

Join us at Charity Mile where we will have tents for Spectators. The Blue Line stop is about a two block walk from our Rally Point at Charity Mile. Blue Line trains run every 10-15 minutes, 24 hours per day.

To get to Charity Mile: Take the Blue Line Train (to Forest Park), get off at the Medical Center (Blue Line) Station (accessible) and you will be at Charity Mile - Mile #15. Charity Mile is a block or two north.

To get to Grant Park from Charity Mile: Get on Eastbound Blue Line train at Medical Center Station to Jackson stop (accessible). Exit the subway station and walk three blocks east on Jackson to Grant Park.

There are two branches to the Blue Line route, one to O'Hare and one to Forest Park. You want the train to Forest Park to get to Charity Mile.

Support the Katie MacDonald Literacy Project, make a donation at [www.active.com/donate/upsfordowns08](http://www.active.com/donate/upsfordowns08)

Questions? Contact us at [marathon@upsfordowns.org](mailto:marathon@upsfordowns.org)

**UPS FOR DOWNS IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING ONGOING LITERACY-BASED PROJECTS TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF KATIE MACDONALD AND HER LOVE OF READING.**

**NONPROFIT =  
NONPOLITICAL?**

With the upcoming presidential election and the welcome, but unprecedented spotlight on Down syndrome and organizations such as ours, you should know some of the guidelines that we must operate under. As a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization, UPS for DownS needs to be careful in responding to inquiries about political issues, platforms and candidates.

- As a nonprofit exempt from tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, UPS for DownS may not engage in any "partisan" political activity. That means that we may not directly or indirectly support or oppose a candidate for political office.
- UPS for DownS is free to engage in "non-partisan" political activity, such as registering voters, voter education and get out the vote. But these activities would need to be carefully planned and implemented to make sure they are not partisan.
- UPS for DownS is always free to take positions about the issues that are important to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. No single individual represents the views of the organization unless specifically authorized to do so via board action.



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**TEEN SCENE  
ACTIVITIES**

**HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY**

Costumes encouraged, but not necessary!

Date: Saturday, October 25, 2008  
Time: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Where: Northrop Teen Center, 3000 Central Road, Rolling Meadows  
Cost: \$5 for all teens (bring money the night of the party)

RSVP by Monday October 20th to Diane Paradise  
dianeparadise@comcast.net or 630-483-8113



**HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 3**

Date: November 15th, 2008  
Time: Approx. 5:30-8:30 (TBD when movie times are available)  
Where: Elk Grove Village Classic Cinema Theatre followed by walk to Pizza Hut for pizza  
Cost: \$5 for all teens, will need extra for snacks at the movie



RSVP by November the 10th to  
Patricia Shimanek  
pshimanek@hotmail.com or  
630-595-8147

*TeenScene is for teens with  
Down syndrome  
and their friends or siblings,  
ages 12 - 18.*

# OCTOBER IS DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

UPS for DownS is proud to donate books to local schools, libraries and other community locations. This donation project is not intended to supplement your personal collection of books. Titles are available to borrow from the UPS for Downs' Resource Library if you wish to read them.

WHO ASKED ME: A Journal of Discovery and Sharing by and for Siblings of People with Developmental Disabilities, by Adele Bergstrom includes questions that encourages responses about the frustrations, hopes, and innermost thoughts about life with a special-needs sibling. Who Asked Me highlights the mix of annoyance and love that ties siblings together, with a consistent message of tolerance and a willingness to accept those who are different.



Books are limited. Books will *not be mailed to individuals*, but will be sent on your behalf to recommended locations. If you have any questions or would like a copy of Who Asked Me? *to be sent on your behalf*, please contact Tania Kothera at 847-985-1486 or taniab-sn@wowway.com.



## DDC Buddy Walk featured High School Musical cast from Gymkhana/UPS for DownS production

*Note rec'd from DDC:*

Just wanted to tell you that the [High School Musical] kids were so amazing!!!! I have been getting tons of e-mails and calls and people coming up to me at the event telling me how great the kids were!!! Everybody cried as they performed, this is in a good way. They were all mesmerized with how the kids sounded. They were fantastic!!!! Please let them know how great they were and that everyone loved the performance!!! Thanks again for arranging all that for me!! Thank you, too for coming out & helping us... Thanks again!!

*Deb Pogose*

## Parent Coffee and Play Group

Whether your child is trying to get a raise at work, a date for homecoming or a poop in the potty, you have something to gain and something to give to the conversations at the Parent Coffee.

**DATES (NOTE TIMES!):**

**9:30 AM - 11 AM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH**  
**12:30 PM - 2 PM WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD**

**LOCATION:** FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
 1903 E. EUCLID AVENUE, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

**CHILD CARE IS PROVIDED IN AN ADJACENT ROOM AT NO COST TO YOU.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT CAROLYN MCLEOD AT RAUSCHMCLEOD@COMCAST.NET OR 847-392-8681**

**DS Support Chicagoland Buddy Walk**

October 12, 2008  
 Ty Warner Park • Westmont, IL  
 11:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Register online at [www.dssupport.net](http://www.dssupport.net)

What	Who	Date	Time	Contact
Parent Coffee	Parents, children and siblings of all ages	First Wednesday	9:30 - 11 am or 12:30 - 2 pm	Carolyn McLeod rauschmcleod@comcast.net 847-392-8681
Kids' Club	Children ages 3-8 and their siblings (parents stay)	Periodic	varies	Stacy Graves and Wendy King cs-graves@comcast.net 847-895-2100
PreTeen Scene	Children ages 8-12 (grades 3 thru 6) and same age siblings (parents stay)	One Sunday per month	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Open
TeenScene	Teens ages 12-18, and similarly aged siblings who wish to volunteer to help; parents welcome to stay or leave at their discretion and supervision needs of individual child	One Saturday per month	7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Kim Orlando nixtr1@comcast.net 630-483-6903 TeenScene@UPSforDownS.org
Next Chapter Book Club	Adults with developmental disabilities read and socialize with friends in the community	varies by club	varies by club	Sharon Anderson 847-438-4585 sharonlpt@yahoo.com www.nextchapterbookclub.org
Parent Night	Parent Social nights allow parents to network, make friends and have informal opportunities to discuss concerns and issues with others.	Periodic (every other month)	generally evenings	Stephanie Neri 847/891-3224 jneri@wideopenwest.com
SibShops	Workshops for 7-12 year old siblings of children with Ds.	Periodic (2-3 per year)	generally afternoons	Jim Ford 708-349-9669 info@upsfordowns.org
DS101	Workshops for young siblings who are new to Ds and have basic questions	Annually	generally early evening	Stacy Graves 847-895-2100 info@upsfordowns.org

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New this year  
RSVP online!

<http://ufdholidayparty.eventbrite.com>

# 13th Annual Winter Holiday Party Sunday, December 14th

10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Conant High School; 700 E. Cougar Trail; Hoffman Estates



UPS for Downs will provide main course and drinks. Please bring a dish to pass.

Want to help or need more information?  
Contact Millie at 847-870-8391.

RSVP's MUST BE IN WRITING.

**A SPECIAL GUEST**  
will arrive around noon with  
a gift for all children who  
have responded!

COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FORM BELOW BY  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH.**

Names of adults \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to bring: salad side dish casserole dessert other \_\_\_\_\_ gluten free dish

Names of children (who has Ds?) Age Boy/Girl Interests (e.g. puzzles, music, dinosaurs, books)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Total # of adults \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of children \_\_\_\_\_

or RSVP online at  
<http://ufdholidayparty.eventbrite.com>

Yes! Count on me to help with the following. You'll call to remind me and give me more information.

- |                       |                         |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| _____ Toy Shopping    | Saturday, November 22nd | 7:00 - 11:00 a.m. |
| _____ Wrap & Decorate | Saturday, December 13th | 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. |
| _____ Party Clean-up  | Sunday, December 14th   | 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.  |

PLEASE return RSVP by Monday, November 17, 2008 to:

Millie Ewald, Holiday Party Coordinator

UPS for Downs, 2810 Vista, Arlington Heights, IL 60004

E-mail: [millie2810@mac.com](mailto:millie2810@mac.com) or call 847-870-8391 (home) or 847-409-7805 (cell)

**RESPONSES MUST BE IN WRITING**



**PLEASE RESPECT OUR DEADLINE SO THAT SANTA'S VOLUNTEER HELPERS CAN PREPARE BEFORE THE BUSY HOLIDAY SHOPPING RUSH!**

Last book read: *Charlie Bone Series*

Favorite movies: *Harry Potter*

Favorite food: *Portillo's Hotdogs*

Hobby: *video games*

Latest Accomplishment: *My own Facebook Page - sign up and request to be my friend.*

Quote:  
*"Don't be a drama queen!"*

birthday: *May 1 1994*  
**brian michael**

