



The Independence Foundation

Helping the physically handicapped live independent and self directed lives

July Newsletter

Hello All,

July 20, 2005

Check out our new website: www.TheIndependenceFoundation.org

Power Wheelchair Soccer – We almost have enough players to continue with this program after 5 players leave for college! We are up to 12 players right now!

Come to any game to register. If you don't want to play, feel free to come and watch any of our games. All Saturday's from 2 – 4 , call Chris for schedule.

Bike for Ben – The first annual Bike for Ben was a huge success!! Over 200 people turned out to walk, bike or jog in support of Ben and his friends!

73 volunteer staff \$6000 in Corporate Sponsorships were added to
230 participants \$4000 in mail in donations prior to the event plus
\$15,000 that day for a grand total of **\$25,000!**

Mark the calendar for next year's Bike for Ben on **Sat., July 15, 2006!**

Social Gatherings:

BOWLING – Friday, August 12^h 7:00 PM

Transit Lanes, 7850 Transit Rd. between Maple & Sheridan
Games are \$2 each and it is pay your own way.
There are w/c ramps for bowlers in wheelchairs.



TREEHOUSE - Have you ever been in a w/c accessible treehouse? We will go to Cradle Beach Camp in Angola on **Sunday, August 21st at 1PM** to experience a Treehouse! Wheelchairs can get up into the treehouse – come and check this out! We will do a picnic lunch after our tour. Bring your favorite picnic food to share. No cost for this event. Directions to Cradle Beach Camp at Mapquest – the address is 8038 Old Lake Shore Rd., Angola, 14006

Come and meet other families dealing with the same issues. If you have a family member who is physically handicapped, or are a physically handicapped individual – you are welcome. These gatherings are for the whole family.

If you are interested in the **Community Project** this is where we are:
The Opts proposal was sent to the state on June 13 – I'll keep you posted.

Looking forward to seeing you – *Chris Muller 685-3976*