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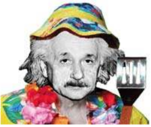
Upcoming Events

This Wednesday, July 17:
Physics is for Kids Family BBQ with Aspen Science Center and the Buddy Program!



Science is cool! Physics "petting

Hi Jamie!

Thank you!

What else can we at the Buddy Program say after the week of tremendous support? The July Fourth week is a busy time for us; a week when our Board, staff and supporters come together to raise a large portion of our operating budget.

Thanks to your support, we had great success at all four events:

- Lemonade Day saw 422 youth register, an 11% increase over last year
- Boogie's Buddy Race had 1,150 participants, up from 950 last year, a 21% increase
- The FENDI Lounge sold out this year, raising over $14,000 with 30% more attendees
- And The Bash for the Buddieswas a great success, with the net income up 20% from last year

This is the point where I say, "but wait -- we still need your support!" And we do! There are still more youth to serve, more families that need support, and more programs required in the valley. For those of you who have already given, thank you! For those of you who haven't had that chance to yet, you should pledge your support today!

Thank you!!

David Houggy
Executive Director

THANK YOU!
YOU!
THANK YOU

Wait List Little Buddy

zoo", the ever-popular Mr. G, zomes, stomp rockets and our famous bubbling lake of dry ice!

August 14: Mentor & Mingle at Town Restaurant

Become a Mentor

To date in 2013, we have received **30** new Big Buddy applications from people who want to join our program as a mentor! In 2012, we received 30 applications in total for the entire year! Get on board and call us today to learn how **YOU** can become a mentor! Please call Heather Hicks, Director of Recruitment, at 970-920-2130 or **click here** to fill out an online application.

Check out the arrival pictures from The Bash here!

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And check out more candid shots on Facebook

Check out the photo booth pictures from the FENDI Lounge here!

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The St. Regis Aspen Resort
JULY 5TH, 2013

Little Buddy: Ashley B.

Age: 8

Lives in: Basalt

Favorite animals: Monkeys and dogs, I have a hamster named Little Bob.

Favorite things to do: I like to play basketball, run, play football, and play at school with my friends.

Favorite food: Pizza

When I grow up: I want to be a running player, I am really fast!

New Buddy Pair

New Pair: Alex M. and Gabe Andrade

Age: 8

Lives in: Basalt

Date paired: May 23

Favorite activities with his Big Buddy so far: Swimming and climbing at the ARC, eating ice cream, and hiking Hunter Creek and going out for pizza!

Mentor & Mingle at Town. Mark Fischer's new restaurant in Carbondale!

Wednesday, August 14, 5-7 pm

348 Main Street

town.

Members from the community are invited to stop by Town. and learn more about mentoring while enjoying complimentary food and drink!

Come mingle at the recently opened restaurant and learn about the Buddy Program's new volunteer opportunities in Carbondale!

RSVP: heather@buddyprogram.org, 920.2130, BuddyProgram.org

Boogie's Buddy Race Brings Together *1,150* Runners and Walkers

The Power of Play

By Karmen Pittenger, Director of Youth and Family Services

"What do most Nobel Laureates, innovative entrepreneurs, artists and performers, well-adjusted children, happy couples and families, and the most successfully adapted mammals have in common? They play enthusiastically throughout their lives." ~ Stuart Brown, Institute of Play

Summer. It marks the warmest time of the year with the longest days. We are fortunate to live in such a bountiful Valley, which provides us with endless opportunities for outdoor play.

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Thank You, Linda McCausland,

for donating tickets to Aspen Santa Fe Ballet's *Momix, Botanica* for 15 Buddy Pairs on July 13! A fantastic time was had by Little and Big Buddies alike!

July Buddy Anniversaries, Community Program

2003
Bruce Gordon & TJ K.

2004
Kristi Gilliam & Amber W.

Runners pause to sing our National Anthem at the start of the race

New Race Name Honors Lenny "Boogie" Weinglass

In recognition of Lenny "Boogie" Weinglass' decades of tireless support and commitment, the Board of Directors of the Buddy Program is very proud to announce that the Fourth of July five-mile race, previously known as the Boogie's Diner Buddy Five Mile Charity Race, shall hereafter be named Boogie's Buddy Race in honor of Boogie's lasting legacy.

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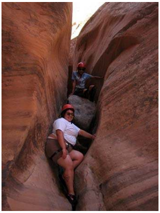
Youth Camp in Moab, UT June 8-12th

For five days in early June, 27 students entering grades 8-12 embarked on an adventure to Moab, UT with the Buddy Program's annual Youth Camp. Throughout the five days, participants slept in tents in the gorgeous La Sal mountains. They cooked their own meals, rafted the Colorado river, explored the narrow, water-filled pathways of Entrajo Canyon, and challenged themselves through climbing, hiking, rapelling, and the "Superman" (where students, high up on a rock face, lower via a system of ropes and harnesses to a position parallel with the ground). Each night at the campsite, campers participated in team-building and debrief sessions, talent shows, campfires, games, and building a positive camp community. By the end of camp, the group was unified into a camp family and sad to head home after such an incredible adventure!

The Buddy Program offers another summer camp opportunity in the Roaring Fork Valley- DREAM Day Camp- from August 5-9, 2013- for students entering grades 6-8. Contact Brooke at **brooke@buddyprogram.org** for more information or to enroll your student.



2006
Michael Wells & Jack R.

2007
Cassie Davenport & Nastienka R.

2008
Adelaide Waters & Sophia H. (pictured)

Lemonade Day- A Success from Start to Finish!

3 Little Buddies, 4 Big Buddies, Heather and Dave, loving Lemonade Day!

Glenwood Springs Elementary students learned the lessons. Including, but not limited to...

making money...

Lemonade Day Gives Youth Their First Taste of Business!

We wish to extend our gratitude to everyone who participated in the second annual Lemonade Day on Saturday, June 29. Our goal of providing youth, with the incomparable learning experience of engineering and running their own business could not be possible without the unwavering support and enthusiasm from the communities throughout the Roaring Fork Valley!

To recap, 422 children registered this spring to participate in Lemonade Day. Of those participants, over 190 learned the Lemonade Day curriculum in their classroom in May. On Lemonade Day, youth opened up their unique stands for business and the important lessons of financial literacy, entrepreneurship and goal setting were on display. The day showcased the creativity and hard work of the children and the community partnerships with the Aspen Art Museum, the Wyly Community Art Center, the Aspen Institute's Aspen Ideas Festival, the school districts and others.

A special thank you goes out to our sponsors and supporters, whose financial contribution allows us to keep the program free of charge for all grade school-aged youth. An extra hearty thank you to our lead sponsors, Nancy and Richard Rogers / Mary Kay Inc., and Alpine Bank. Additionally, we wish to thank the municipalities throughout the valley for their support and guidance and the many parents/caring adults who provided countless hours of mentorship, supervision and patience!

Cheers to Lemonade Day 2013! RFV.LemonadeDay.org for more details.

Thank You "Family Night Out" Hosts

Each month, the Buddy Program selects one of our families to enjoy an all-expense-paid dinner at a fantastic local restaurant, as a way of celebrating their involvement in the Buddy Program and giving them a chance to relax and enjoy themselves. This is an amazing opportunity for them to come together as a family and enjoy a quality meal out. Thank you **Pinons and the Westin Snowmass** for each hosting a June Family Night Out!

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and saving money!

Peer-to-Peer Big Buddy Selected for Leadership Council

Jamie Briscoe of Basalt High School is one of 20 female high school juniors selected to participate in The Women's Foundation of Colorado Girls' Leadership Council.

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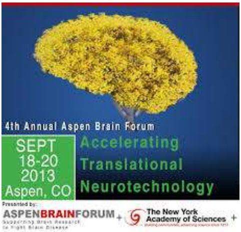
AspenBrainLab

The Buddy Program is pleased to announce that six of our high school youth will have the opportunity to attend this summer's AspenBrainLab thanks to the generosity of the Aspen Brain Forum and its founder, Glenda Greenwald. The Aspen Brain Forum (the parent of the AspenBrainLab) has been proven to provide scientific breakthroughs in Brain Science by convening scientists from all over the world to collaborate on their research.

AspenBrainLab is presented by the Aspen Institute, Aspen Brain Forum and Aspen Strategy Center on Saturday, August 10th , 8:30am - 4:30pm at Paepcke Auditorium. Fifteen experts will explore the Creative Brain, Impaired Brain, Healthy Brain and the Future Brain. For full agenda and details, go to aspenbrainlab.com or call Zia Hucks at 970.710.9086.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SEPT 18-20 2013
Aspen, CO
Accelerating Translational Neurotechnology
Presented by:
ASPENBRAINFORUM +
Supporting Brain Research to Fight Brain Disease
The New York Academy of Sciences +

It is such an amazing opportunity for the Buddy Program youth to have access to this programming. Thank you, Glenda and the Aspen Brain Forum for your generosity!

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