



Greetings from The Kaitlin Marie Bell Foundation, Inc. Vol. 6, Issue 1

OUR MISSION

We are a non-profit organization, which supports the needs of medically and physically challenged children. We exist to increase lifestyle opportunities and quality of life for recipients by providing equipment and/or services that would not otherwise be affordable.

MOTTO

*To Learn...
To Grow...
To Succeed!*

We apologize for the long period of non-communication due to changes associated with the high cost of newsletter mailings. However, the organization is strong with many of the same officers remaining. We now have two offices, one in Richmond, Virginia, and the other in Seaford, Delaware. We also have new addresses, email addresses, and telephone numbers. (To be listed at the end of the newsletter).

FUNDRAISING

We have become participants in the annual fundraising drive conducted by the Federal employees in the workplace. These Combined Federal Campaigns, as well as other State run campaigns provide us with a source of income. These campaigns encompass all of Delaware, adjacent counties in Maryland, central Virginia and its adjacent counties.

Fundraising in Virginia has picked up steam with a local organization called "City Celebrations" that prepares events on Brown's Island, in Richmond, Virginia. For volunteering to assist them in whatever they require to prepare their events, our organization is paid a fee. These events have turned out to be a consistent source of income and fun for our volunteers. If anyone near Richmond would like to have fun with us on Brown's Island, please contact Jim Bell at kmbfoundation@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP

We presently have openings on the Board of Directors in Delaware for general membership, fundraising, and consultants.

If you are interested in any of these openings, please contact Becky Bell at kmbfoundation@dmv.com.

Some of you may not be aware that the Mural on the wall of the Ice Plant in Seaford, Delaware was dedicated to The Kaitlin Marie Bell Foundation, Inc. The mural depicts some of the historical sites and is over 100 feet in length. All work was donated non-gratis. This has become one of the landmarks in our historical development.

RECIPIENTS

Our last recipient was Hanna. She is 8 years old and has hydrocephalus, cerebral palsy, mental retardation, and liver disease, occipital encephalacele and is legally blind. To avoid the heavy lifting required for a wheelchair, she qualified for a grant. This grant helped towards the construction of an ADA ramp into their house.