

The Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe Helping Kids

The High Springs Day Care Center benefits from the help provided by Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe. Volunteers have kept the center open despite adversity. Now, with the help of The Children's Corporation of North Florida, even more will be done.

Alachua, FL, June 8, 2010 (FPRC) -- The Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe and The Children's Corporation of North Florida have teamed up to help needy children.

The kids at the High Springs, FL, Day Care Center have the Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe to thank for the Center's remaining open. The Center had gone for many years without significant modernizing. On the verge of being closed, the Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe members stepped in and saved the day.

Almost two years ago now, the Center was about to be closed down for not being able to pass state inspections. In line with their mission of helping young children, the members of Kiwanis were able to do enough to keep the Center open.

But the need, and the work, goes on. Despite the hot days of Florida and the age of many of the members of the club, things got done and the improvements continued.

Now, however, the time has come for some real capital improvements, including a new floor and new kitchen equipment. That costs a considerable amount of money and it was time for some outside help. The Children's Corporation of North Florida, a non-profit corporation whose mission is to aid other organizations which help children, stepped up.

The corporation organized an online raffle, with the grand prize being a 2011 Mustang Coupe or \$25,000 in cash. The net funds raised by the raffle will all go to help the children's projects of the Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe, and particularly the High Springs Day Care Center.

Richard Hill, the corporation treasurer, said that, "Our purpose is to help kids, and we do that through organizations like the Kiwanis. No one involved with the corporation financially benefits from our fundraising. Helping kids is what it is all about."

On July 4th at the Alachua, FL, Independence Day Celebration, the mayor of Alachua will draw the winning ticket for the grand prize, but the real winner will be the children at the Day Care Center of High Springs.

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