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Annual Family Fun Day sets records

Hundreds of children and their families enjoyed time together playing carnival games, eating and taking part in train rides, petting zoo, pony rides and a flea market during the fifth annual Family Fun Day July 6 at Jaycee Park.



More than 1,000 children and their families, along with a record number of corporate sponsors and about 60 volunteers, contributed to the overwhelming success of the event that followed the Roughrider Days Parade. Family Fun Day is the main public awareness and fund raising event for the Queen City Area Best Friends Program, a youth mentoring service for southwest North Dakota. Planning for next year's event is already underway ~ **call 483-8615 to volunteer!**

Best Friends receives 2003 United Way support



The Queen City Area Best Friends Program has been approved for a \$3,000 grant from United Way of Dickinson for the 2003 program year! The award represents consistent funding from United Way for the past several years. Now, please help Best Friends and the United Way raise the funds by giving generously to the United Way and attending the community breakfast in September.

Business discounts support Best Friends

These businesses provide coupons and discounts for matched Friends to use when doing activities together. Remember to thank them! Call 483-8615 for details.

*Arby's *Burger King *Classic Lanes *Cine 3 *Taco John's *Dairy Barn
*Happy Joe's *McDonald's *Video Max *Dairy Queen *Wendy's
*Hardee's *Taco Bell *Papa Murphy's *Total Entertainment
*Paragon Bowl *PretzelMaker *Parks & Rec Dept.

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Upcoming Events

- Aug. 1-3: **ID Card Photos**, One Hour
Photo during mall hours, for
Junior & Senior Friends who are
matched.
- Aug. 6: **Back to School Health
Fair**, Prairie Hills Mall, 10 a.m. -
6 p.m., visit booths, Jumper,
rock climbing wall, door prizes,
freebies!
- Aug. 24: **Heritage Festival**, Prairie
Outpost Park, ethnic demos &
food, music performances at
gazebo, carnival at mall.
- Sept. 14: **Best Friends Family Summer
Blast Picnic**, 5-8 pm, Eagles
Park. Free food, games & prizes!

Contributors' Corner

Family Fun Day sponsors:

*Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 6480
AAL-Gleason Agency * American Petroleum
Institute * American State Bank & American
Insurance * Consolidated Employees Jeans
Day * Dakota Community Bank * Dickinson
Convention & Visitors Bureau * Dickinson
Dental Center * Linda Steve CPA *
Northern Improvement * Pepsi * Sax Motors
Wal-Mart * Wendy's * SW Multi County
Correction Center * TMI
* Wal-Mart * Westwind Consulting Center*

Family Fun Day contributors:

*Albertson's * Badlands Printing * Burger King *
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Association * TCBY * SW Community Service * Tour Ice * Wells Fargo Bank*

Enjoy being a friend? It takes only an hour each week to make a difference in the life of a child!

Best Friends' waiting list has grown to 9 boys and 3 girls! Can you help? Call 483-8615 to volunteer!