

The Best News

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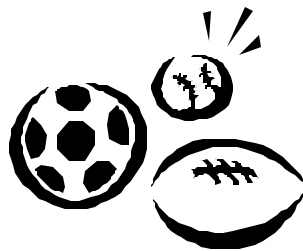
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Happy spring:

Sports equipment donated to Best Friends



Balls, balls, more balls, and bats, racquets, volleyball, bocce and badminton sets – even a batting tee trainer – are now available for Senior Friends to check out when they want to do activities with their Junior Friends.

The sporting equipment came from Dickinson-area branches of Aid Association for

Lutherans, which recently held a branch booster day in Dickinson.

“The Best Friends Program encourages our mentors to do active things with the child they are matched with, and the donation of all of this wonderful equipment comes at a time when we all want to get out of the house to enjoy the warm weather,” said Kris Fehr, executive director of the Queen City Area Best Friends Program. “We are most grateful for this contribution to the children of southwest North Dakota.”

The equipment to be checked out includes:

- Kickballs, footballs, basketballs and soccer balls.
- Six baseballs with bats and adult and child mitts.
- One rotating batting tee trainer
- Two youth and adult tennis racquets with balls.
- Game sets: croquet, volleyball, badminton and bocce.

The Gleason Agency also donated a new desk for the office, movie theater passes, which will be distributed to Senior Friends, and prizes for Family Fun Day, which includes a carnival held at Jaycee Park after the July 6 Roughrider Days parade.

Has life been good to you? Give something back

Everywhere you look these days, people are doing their part by getting involved in the life of a child. One hour a week: that's all it takes to make a difference in a child's life. We all have something of value to give a child. All it takes to become a mentor is the desire to make a difference. To volunteer or enroll a child:

Call 483-8615 or 877-877-8685

*** Match Count: 34 * Waiting List: 8***

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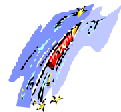
Upcoming Events

- May 18: **Best Friends Fishing Derby:** 3-5 p.m., Turtle Park, all gear provided.
- May 21: **Family Fun Day planning:** Noon, 135 W. Villard St.
- May 25: **Flea Market & Bake Sale:** 8-3, Dickinson Armory, 64 Museum Drive.
- July 6: **Family Fun Day,** Noon-3 p.m., Jaycee Park. Duck Race 2 p.m.

Contributors' Corner

Recent Best Friends Program contributors

*Consolidated Employees Jeans Day
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Family Fun Day: July 6

The Queen City Area Best Friends Program's top fundraising and public awareness activity will be held July 6 at Jaycee Park following the Roughrider Days parade. Family Fun Day began five years ago as one of the few alcohol-free activities for children and families during Dickinson's Independence Day celebration.

The afternoon is full of fun: more than a dozen carnival games and prizes, food concessions, petting

zoo, the Jump-er Castle, train rides and flea market have kept kids entertained in past years. All these events will be back, plus pony rides and new small carnival games should draw even more than last year's record-setting attendance of 1,000 children and their families.

We need YOU! Best Friends needs volunteers to help with the games; this would be a great activity for Junior and Senior Friends, families, organizations or businesses. Please call the office at 483-8615 if you can help! **Proceeds from the day benefit the Best Friends Program, southwest North Dakota's youth mentoring service.**

