



1st Annual Membership Meeting
March 8, 2001



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DSANI Board Members

- Deb Gavette - President
- Joe Bockerstette - Vice President
- Jen Pickard - Secretary
- Laurie Shomo - Treasurer
- Jenny Bockerstette - Outreach
- Marsha Scheitlin - Resource Library
- Randy Pickard - Member Services
- Brenda Amburgey - Fundraising



DSANI Board Members (2)

- Marilyn Miller/Sherrie Floyd - Programs
- Jim Augustin - Member At Large
- Chris Tallo MD - Medical Advisor
- Lisa Gulyas MD - Medical Advisor
- Tom/Rita O'Neill - Advisors



DSANI's Beginnings

- Began with the Buddy Walk in October 1999
- Formed a non-profit corporation on January 1, 2000
- Inaugural meeting held on March 3, 2000; attended by over 100 people interested in enhancing the lives of individuals and families affected by Down syndrome



Our Initial Objectives

- Provide informational packets to new parents
- Provide current information to area service providers & medical professionals
- Create a support group for parents, with a focus on speakers
- Increase awareness & support of Down syndrome within our community
- Establish a lending library of materials on Down syndrome



2000's Achievements

- Outreach
 - New Parent Packets in 11 NE IN counties
 - Infant/Toddler Parents Program
- Member Services
 - Quarterly newsletter
 - Membership directory
- Resource Library
 - Identified materials & location for DSANI library



2000's Achievements (2)

■ Programs

- Educational programs
 - Estate planning, Article 7, behavioral therapy
- Family & social programs
 - Three Rivers Festival, Northside Park picnic, Zoo day, Komets & Fury games, swim, dance, & golf lessons
- In-service programs to area educators

■ Fundraising

- Buddy Walk
- Saxton Golf Outing
- Equipment Grants



2000 Buddy Walk

- The 2nd Annual Buddy Walk in Northeast Indiana was held on September 23, 2000.
- Over 250 walkers participated and, together, raised \$25,000.

Title Sponsor



Presenting Sponsors



The Medical Protective Company





Our Financial Position

2000

REVENUES

Buddy Walk	\$ 26,263
Memorials	\$ 11,420
Membership	\$ 540
<u>Other</u>	<u>\$ 2,188</u>
	\$ 40,411

EXPENSES \$ 13,495

SURPLUS \$ **26,916**



Our Plans for 2001

- Complete the DSANI library at AWS and make it available to membership
- Train New Parent Mentors
- Organize play groups/ friendship groups
- Encourage more families to become involved
- Increase activities for adults with Down syndrome and their families
- Continue our programs
- Build on the previous Buddy Walk successes



Our Teams

- Outreach
 - New Parent Packets, Infant/Toddler Parents Program, New Parent Mentor training
- Fundraising
 - Buddy Walk, grants
- Member Services
 - Newsletter, member data base, mailing management
- Programs
 - Educational speakers, social gatherings, play groups
- Resource Library
 - Library materials and operating procedures



Summary

**TOGETHER,
WE CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!**