Louisiana Pulmonary Disease Camp **Executive Board**

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Pelicanpalooza

Benefitting Camp Pelican

We are thrilled to announce that Camp Pelican is planning its 15th annual Pelicanpalooza benefit concert. This fundraising event will be held on Sunday, August 20, 2017, at Southport Hall in Jefferson, LA. Our goal is to raise money so that we can continue to offer support throughout the year to our Camp Pelican families as well as offer a traditional summer camp

experience to children who would otherwise not be accepted at conventional camp sessions because of their extensive

medical needs.

Dear Friend:

Louisiana Pulmonary Disease Camp, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization that provides events throughout the year for children with pulmonary disorders including, but not limited to, Cystic Fibrosis, severe Asthma, ventilator assisted children and children with tracheostomies. Our biggest event, Camp Pelican, is a joint venture with the Lions Clubs of Louisiana. The program is a one week overnight camp program held at the Louisiana Lions Camp in Anacoco, Louisiana, and it is staffed by generous volunteers including nurses, physicians and respiratory therapists. These special children participate in activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, education and much more. Most of our campers would not qualify for other camp programs because of their complex medical needs.

We respectfully request your participation as an event sponsor, donor and/or attendee of Pelicanpalooza. Enclosed is a Sponsorship Package that explains several different sponsorship opportunities in more detail. Please note that sponsorship opportunities are limited and are awarded on a first come, first served basis. In order to ensure your sponsorship spots, please return the commitment form as soon as possible.

We are also looking for donations of all kinds for our silent auction, live auction, raffle, and guest entertainment that will take place during the event. We would like to have auction/raffle items that vary in type and value so that all attendees will be able to participate. We welcome all types of donations such as gift certificates, gift baskets, alcohol, hotel rooms, children's items. Louisiana themed sports collectables, artwork, tickets to local events, etc.

Thank you for your time and consideration! And please join us at Southport Hall for a great time. This is an all ages (family) event - everyone is welcome!

Feel free to contact us at any time if you need more information.

Sincerely,

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Bransen's Story

Bransen was a 10-year-old camper who participated in Camp Pelican for his 4th consecutive year in 2015. Bransen had Spinal Muscular Atrophy, Osteoporosis, & Scoliosis. He had also developed a bladder issue that prevented him from urinating at least once a day and therefore to be catheterized. Bransen had a tracheotomy and was ventilator dependent and had a feeding tube because he could not eat enough to maintain necessary nutrition. He had growing rods in his back to help with the scoliosis that had to be adjusted annually by cutting into the back and cranking up the rod. Bransen's mother, Inglishe, previously stated that, "Camp is the best thing that has ever happened to him. No one takes him overnight because they are scared. This includes our family. He used to cry when his brother and sister would stay with other people because he couldn't go. Now he knows there are people who love having him and he isn't told no. He's accepted with open arms. Now when his brother and sister go places, he says it's ok because he gets to stay a whole week with his friends and eat all the mashed potatoes he can stand and play like everyone else. His life is more enriched and more meaningful because he has a chance to be a regular little boy with all the wonderful people at Camp Pelican."

Bransen exclaimed, "I feel happy at camp and the cafeteria is fancy like a restaurant, and I can go swimming and squirt water guns at people. I LOVE the talent shows."

Inglishe also told us, "I have watched my little boy conquer more in his short life than any person I know. I have held his hand and listened to him tell me he's dying. I have watched him struggle with pain that never goes away and endless surgeries and tests that only give us more questions and no relief. I've watched the fear in his eyes when he gets something as simple to us as a cold and think this time the treatments aren't going to work. Maybe this time he isn't going to get out of the hospital because the mycobacterium is slowly suffocating him to death. Not only does Bransen have an extensive list of serious diagnoses, he also passes out and his heart rate plummets without an explanation. I am constantly filled with fear that he'll succumb to his illnesses. It's heartbreaking to have to tell him why people stare, why people don't like him, and why he can't be like everyone else. The one wish I have is that my baby would be able to do anything he wants; be anything he wants. I didn't want him to think his diseases had to stop him from living his life to the fullest. Camp Pelican has helped me show him this. He now truly believes anything is possible because of his experiences at Camp Pelican. That alone would be enough for me but as it happens, Camp gave us something else; something I never expected we needed. It gave me a break. For a whole week I'm not a psychologist, caregiver, respiratory therapist, physical therapist, or occupational therapist. I'm not a wound care therapist, a nurse, a teacher, a secretary, a maid, a chef, a prayer warrior, a fighter, or a 'worrywart'. For a whole week, mommy can just be mommy and Bransen can just be Bransen. We both get the chance to just be without all the hats we have to wear. It has given me the opportunity to regroup and renew myself so that I can be everything Bransen needs me to be and still be able to smile and still be able to laugh when all I feel like doing is burying my head in some hole and crying sometimes."

Sadly, Bransen succumbed to his illnesses in August 2015. Camp sessions will not be the same without our Superhero. Bransen will forever be loved and missed by all, especially by his Camp Pelican family!



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PELICANPALOOZA SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Level</u>	<u>Value</u>	Sponsorship Benefits				
Rock Star	\$5000	 Prominent recognition in all printed materials as presenting sponsor Logo and link* to your homepage on our website beginning August 1st Recognition on social media Banner provided by your company displayed on stage during the event Audio recognition during the event Full-page ad (approx 8" x 10") featured in the beginning of the event program 20 event tickets 				
Back Stage Pass	\$2000	 Prominent recognition in all printed materials Logo and link* to your homepage on our website beginning August 1st Recognition on social media Banner provided by your company displayed at the event Audio recognition during the event Half-page ad (approx 5" x 6") in the event program 16 event tickets 				
Tour Manager	\$1000	 Recognition in all printed materials Name and link* to your homepage on our website beginning August 1st Signage at the event Audio recognition during the event Quarter-page ad (approx 3½ "x 4½") in the event program 12 event tickets 				
Front Row Seat	\$750	 Recognition in program Name and link* to your homepage on our website beginning August 1st Signage at the event Audio recognition during the event Business card ad (approx 3½ " x 2") in the event program 8 event tickets 				
T-shirt (6 Available)	\$500	 Recognition in program Name on our website beginning August 1st Business card size logo on event t-shirt 6 event tickets 				
Groupie	\$250	 Recognition in program Name on our website beginning August 1st 4 event tickets 				
Bar/Table	\$100	 Name and logo on signage at bar (approximately 8"x10") 2 event tickets 				

PELICANPALOOZA DONATIONS

We are looking for donations of all kinds for our silent auction, live auction, and raffle that will take place during our event. We would like to have items that vary in type and value so that all attendees will be able to participate. Some examples of donations are gift certificates, alcohol, gift baskets, children's items, vacation packages, spa packages, rounds of golf, hotel packages, LSU items, Saints items, artwork, event tickets, etc. We welcome all types of donations for all ages. *Active link will end July 15, 2018.

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SPONSORSHIP/DONATION FORM

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OTHER OPTIONS:							
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Please submit the completed form with payment to:

Pelicanpalooza c/o Brandy Landry 1539 Stroelitz St Metairie, LA 70001

If paying by check, please make all checks payable to Camp Pelican.

Louisiana Pulmonary Disease Camp Inc. (Camp Pelican) is incorporated in the State of Louisiana and has tax-exempt status with the IRS. Our tax I.D. number is 72-0897336. Your gift may be tax deductible. Please check with your tax advisor.

Please return this form as soon as possible and no later than **July 15, 2017**.

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