

MEDIA ALERT

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THE LET IT BE FOUNDATION SELECTS NEW JUNIOR ADVISORY BOARD

CHINO HILLS, CA — The Let It Be Foundation selected members of its 2007-08 Junior Advisory Team, a group of area youths committed to helping support Chino Valley families with children suffering from life-threatening medical conditions.

The "Kids 4 Kids" team consists of 15 junior high and high school students. Honorary member Brandon Rosen, 9, is the brother of Karla Asch-Rosen.

"Our first year's junior advisory team did so much – from raising over \$4,000 in one day at a community-wide lemonade stand event to helping renovate the rooms of the sick children we are serving," said Foundation President Ruthe Rosen. Seven of last year's 14 members are returning, including team leaders Nicole Schmidt and Karleigh Franchino.

In addition to organizing another lemonade event on Aug. 25, the team is also planning several other fundraising events, including a garage sale in Chino on Oct. 20 and another district-wide talent show in April 2008. Last year's team raised over \$9,000, all of which was used to help renovate the rooms of four seriously ill children whose families are among six currently being served by the foundation.

"A sick child winds up spending a lot of time in his or her bedroom, and being able to go in and brighten up their rooms really has made a difference in these families' lives," Mrs. Rosen said. The junior advisory team worked with Patrick Interiors of Anaheim and Pendleton Construction, which also donated materials and services for the renovations. The foundation also provides the families with other services and support, such as home maintenance, medical supplies, clothing, school supplies, groceries, and gas cards "to make it a little easier for them to weather the storm" of coping with a seriously ill child.

Other team members serving one-year terms are:

Karleigh Franchino (returning member) Chino Hills High, *junior*

Nicole Schmidt (returning member) Ayala High, *senior*

Jake Muth (returning member) Ayala High, *freshmen*

Allie Stout (returning member) Chino Hills High, *sophomore*

Justin Wright (returning member) Ayala High, *sophomore*

Heather Wright (returning member) Ayala High, *sophomore*

Matthew Greathouse Townsend Jr. High, *seventh*

Emily Adams Townsend Jr. High, *seventh*

Connor Jackson Townsend Jr. High, *seventh*

Kelsey Tobias Chino Hills High, *freshmen*

Michelle Artinian Ayala High, *sophomore*

Karisha Guterrez Ayala High, *senior*

Kasi Ramirez Chino High, *senior*

Amanda Mitchell Chino Hills High, *senior*

Erica Espanto Ayala High, *junior*

For more information about the foundation, visit www.theletitbefoundation.com or call 909-613-9161.