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All of our volunteers who are
part of our Richmond County
Hospice Family.
Their gift of time and dedication
makes our organization the best
“Home Town Hospice” around!



Camp Haven Children's Grief Camp

On Wednesday, February 22, 2023, the staff and volunteers of Richmond County Hospice welcomed 35 campers to Camp Haven, our childrens grief camp. The camp, which is free of charge, is open to children in Kindergarten through 8th grade who are experiencing grief and loss. This year's theme and activities were based on the Disney Pixar movie, *Coco*, which takes place in Mexico during their annual celebration, *Dia de Los Muertos*. The tradition is centered around remembering their deceased loved ones by preparing their favorite foods, enjoying their favorite music, and sharing their favorite stories. The Mexican culture considers it a time of celebration not a time of deep mourning. Honoring that tradition as a part of Camp Haven, the day was spent celebrating loved ones who had died or were physically apart from the family. After the campers viewed the movie in the morning, they attended different stations that celebrated family, memories, traditions, stories, and emotions. Campers talked about the many different emotions witnessed in the movie as well as in their personal life. Various coping skills and tools were shared with the campers to help the campers as they navigate the many different feelings experienced on their grief journey. Some of the activities included designing photo frames for a special picture, making maracas, and spinning the "emotion wheel." There were many beautiful songs in the movie *Coco*. Campers recited the lyrics to one of the songs, *Remember Me*, as they released the balloons at the end of the camp. *"Remember Me and let the love we have live on, Keep our love alive - I'll never fade away, Remember Me."*

The staff of Richmond County Hospice would like to thank Dr. Wendy Jordan as well as the school counselors and social workers who help to identify the children dealing with grief and loss. A big thank you to the volunteers of Richmond County Hospice and the staff of Sandhills Best Care who were instrumental in providing emotional support and guidance during the day of Camp Haven. Camp Haven is able to provide an opportunity for campers to meet new friends as well as to understand that they are not alone in their grief journey thanks to our dedicated sponsor, Farm Bureau of Richmond County. Pastor Crews and the members of Church of God of Prophecy have faithfully prepared and served lunch to our campers for many years including this year's camp. Another sponsor, Biscuitville, graciously donated breakfast biscuits. A thank-you is extended to James Mims for provided his photography skills by capturing the special moments of Camp Haven and Nic Wilkes, who used his creatively artistic skills to transform our office into *Dia de Los Muertos*. It is truly through the dedication and hard work of our staff and many others that Camp Haven is able to provide a meaningful experience for the grieving youth in our community.









COOL CARS FOR A CAUSE

Saturday, March 25th with the rain clouds and rain lurking over 60 entries participated in the Cool Cars for a Cause car show presented by Watson-King Funeral Homes and benefiting Richmond County Hospice. There was lots of wiping down of vehicles between rain showers, and we are so grateful for the dedicated group who came out and stayed despite the weather. Your support was amazing!

This year we did the trophies a little differently with having the participants vote to decide the Top 25 vehicle entries and the Top 5 Motorcycle entries. Then our judges and staff decided the Director's Choice and Best of Show.

Congratulations to the following Top 25 winners with 1-3 listed in vote order and the others listed in no particular order:

- 1-Tony Berry with his 1969 Chevrolet Chevelle
 - 2- Waddell Dockery with his 1955 Ford F-100
 - 3-Rex Crouch with his 1954 GMC Truck
- Ed Snyder with his 1931 Ford A. Roadster
 - Bruce Webb with his 1970 Ford F-100
 - Larry Ganse with his 1957 Ford Thunderbird
 - Adam Long with his 1979 Plymouth Trailduster
 - Billy Dunn with his 1951 Willys Military Jeep
 - Pam Smith with her 1966 Ford Mustang
 - Salena Knight with her 1971 Chevrolet Chevelle
 - Richard Lewellen with his 1982 Chevrolet C-10
 - Allen Taylor with his 1966 Chevrolet C-10
 - In Memory of Kenny Knorr with his 1969 Pontiac Firebird
 - Terry Jordan with his 1963 Willys M151-Jeep
 - Kali Wood with her 2006 Ford Mustang
 - Johnnie Wood with his 2015 Ford Mustang GT
 - John Deuster with his 1965 Oldsmobile Starfire
 - Marvin Blake with his 1969 Chevrolet Camaro
 - Christian Smith with his 1978 Chevrolet K-10
 - Alice Hall with her 1923 Ford T-Bucket
 - Hugh Fleming with his 1970 Chevrolet C-10
 - Harold Parker with his 1939 Chevy Coupe
 - Austin Pope with his 1951 Ford F-1
 - Ronnie Maness with his 1971 Dodge Dart Swinger
 - Donald Jenks with his 2022 Ford Mustang

Congratulations to the following Top 5 Motorcycle winners with 1 & 2 listed in vote order and the others listed in no particular order:

- 1-Anthony Smith with his 2019 Harley Street Glide
 - 2-Jason Parker with his 2015 Harley
- Carl Wensil with his 2002 Kawasaki 1500 Vulcan
 - Venom with his 2007 Yamaha V Star 1100
 - Darrin Kent with his 2000 Yamaha

Congratulations:

- Director's Choice: Waddell Dockery with his 1955 Ford F-100
- Best of Show: Tony Berry with his 1969 Chevrolet Chevelle

We truly appreciate our sponsors for making to make this event an amazing success:

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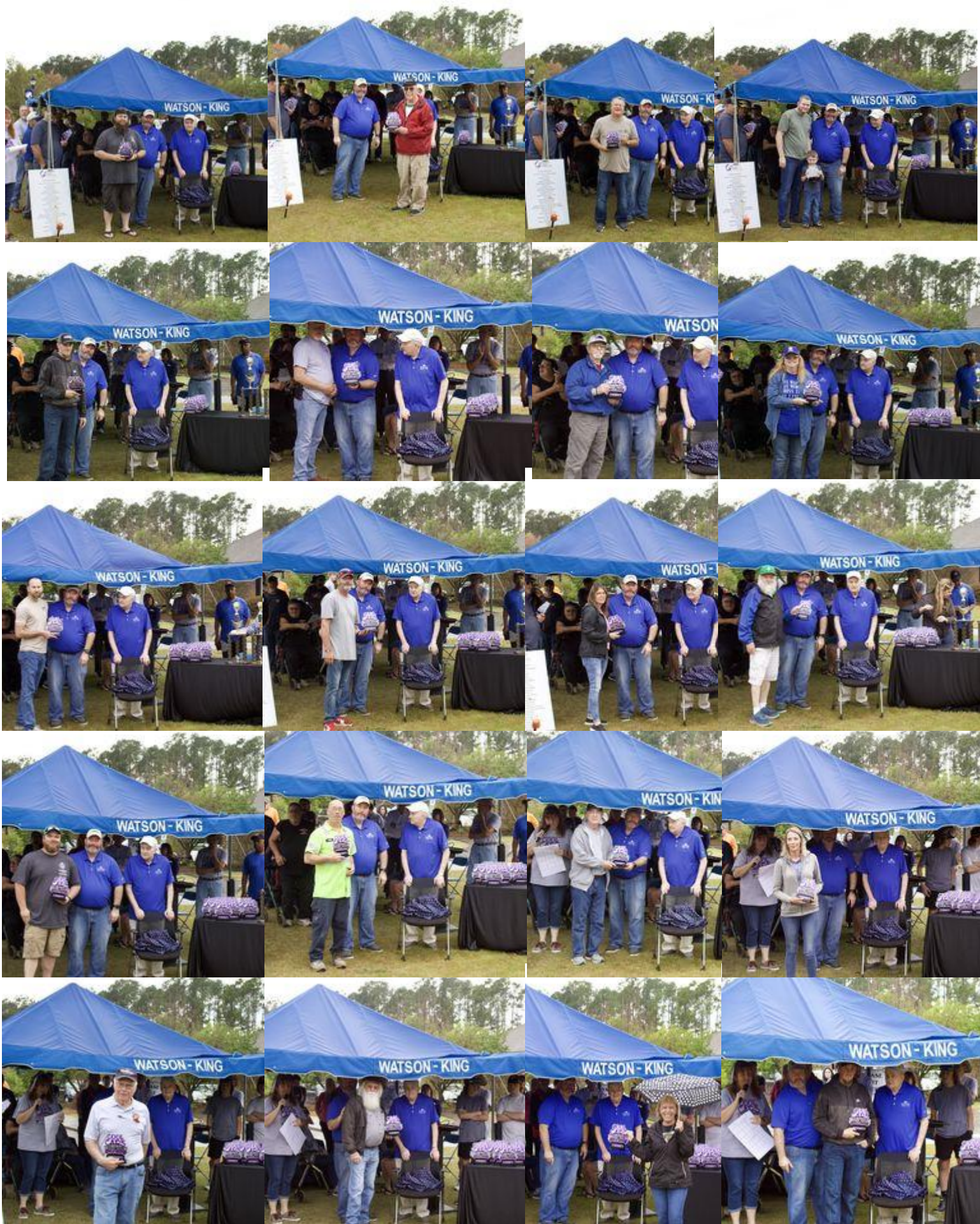
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A special "Thank you!" to Smokin Deez BBQ and The Taco Factory for bringing their food trucks; Jordyn Pillar and Kinnley Micklem for setting up their vendor booths; as well as the many volunteers and staff members who braved the elements and worked hard to make this fundraiser possible!





















What exactly does a hospice social worker do? So often, this question is asked of our staff. Other members of the hospice care team have a more “hands-on” job that makes it easier to identify their specific role. For the social worker, the tasks may be more intangible, but still very vital. Hospice Social Workers provide psychosocial assessment and support to those that we serve. Through visits and conversations, social workers can gain important information to assess how the patient and family members are coping during end-of-life experiences.

Social Workers also assess community resource needs of those that we serve and link patients to needed services in our area. Another important role that the social worker plays is to assist with advance directives and end-of-life care planning. In addition, our social workers employ the ability to provide active listening and emotional support. We have a team of highly-qualified and compassionate social workers that don many hats to ensure that those that we serve experience peace, comfort, and dignity! Should you encounter one of our special social workers, it may appear that they are “just having a conversation” but they are utilizing vital assessment skills in the process and supporting our mission. Happy Social Work Month to our fantastic team of Social Workers:

