



Dodgeball Tournament Brings In \$62,004

Matt Frazier Wins Individual Fundraising Award; AmWINS Submission Impossible Takes Team Fundraising Prize

Thanks to everyone who participated in, donated to or volunteered at our Third Annual Dodgeball Tournament. With your help, we have raised \$62,004 to date -- \$54,204 through donations and \$7,800 through sponsorships. That's a great showing!

Swimmer Insurance's Matt Frazier, playing on the Small DeductiBALLS team, took home top individual fundraising honors, with a grand total of \$3,000 raised. As we've reported over the past several weeks, Matt raised money by selling advertising on parts of his body. The culmination of this sales campaign came with the purchase of advertising on his shaved head by Liberty Mutual. Tournament attendees were even treated to the actual head-shaving, which took place immediately prior to the start of the tournament on April 11. Thanks Matt for all you do for Community Matters. Coming in second was Hull & Company's Rachel Harris at \$1,530; third and fourth were AmWINS' Andrea Neill and Joel Davis at \$1,315 each; and fifth was The Hartford's Jason Smith at \$1,270.

AmWINS' Submission Impossible was top team fundraiser, with \$8,421 raised. The team held several fundraisers to be the top team two years in a row. Rounding out the top five were AIG All Blacks at \$5,400; Small DeductiBALLS at \$4,730; Hedrick Gardner's Motion to Strike at \$2,320; and AmWINS' Jagermeisters at \$2,205.

Thanks to Dan Pliszka and his wife who will be hosting Submission Impossible at a "Day on Lake Norman" with swimming, skiing, tubing, barbecue, and beverages. Dan and Molly will also be taking Matt and his wife to dinner at Dressler's Restaurant in the next few weeks to recognize his fundraising achievement. (Remember, Dressler's Restaurant continues to sponsor its 'Calamari for Community Matters' at its locations in Charlotte and Huntersville. For every calamari dish sold, the restaurant will donate \$1 to Community Matters.)



Liberty Mutual's Natalie Fitzgerald shaves Matt Frazier's head prior to the dodgeball tournament on April 11.



Matt shows off the Liberty Mutual "L" on the back of his head -- the ultimate in corporate advertising at the event.

Kudos to Celebrity Ref Charles Johnson!

Thanks to Panther great Charles Johnson who served as our celebrity referee at the tournament. A defensive end, Charles led the Panthers in sacks for the 2010-2012 seasons, second in sacks in 2013. Charles had a great time at our tournament and has already said he'll be back next year.



Tournament Photos Available

We're grateful to David Brandt, risk control consultant with the City of Charlotte, for serving as official photographer at the tournament. To check out David's photos, click on

<http://dppics.phanfare.com/6487658>

Mark Your Calendars: Community Matters Fundraiser at Mac's Speed Shop on May 31 -- Barbecue, Beer and a Band to Kick Off the Summer

Community Matters will host a summertime kickoff fundraiser at Mac's Speed Shop party shack on South Blvd. -- better known as Side Burns -- on Saturday afternoon, May 31, from 3 to 6 p.m. The band, The Holdouts, is lined up and ready to rock! (Check out their [Facebook page here.](#)) There will be a variety of smoked meats being served right off of Mac's competition smoker, better known as the Hogzilla. All meats will be prepared featuring EC's Home BBQ Sauce which we will also be selling at the event. All profits from the sale of the sauce will also go to Charlotte Family Housing in support of our cause. Local craft beers will be provided as part of admission to round out our BBQ, Beer and Band Summer Kickoff Party!

So mark your calendars now. It will be a great way to kick off the summer with friends and colleagues from Community Matters. And feel free to bring friends and family of your own. It's a summer kickoff bash! Tickets will be \$50 apiece for three hours of great music, great food & drink and great fun. More details coming soon.

Thanks to Scotty Mercer and his colleagues at McGriff, Seibels & Williams for taking the lead on this event.



Our summer kickoff fundraiser will be at Mac's, 2511 South Blvd in Charlotte.

Community Outreach

Many of our member companies have been volunteering and donating time and needed items to our charity partners this spring. Employees with Great American and Arrowpoint Capital's Financial Services Department recently donated items for Charlotte Family Housing's welcome baskets for the guests at its shelters. The teams collected cleaning products and kitchen utensils, as well as new toys and sets of plates. Great American and Arrowpoint Capital were also joined by AIG and Snyder's-Lance in making cookies and other baked goods for walkers taking part in Charlotte Family Housing's Yellow Brick Road event on April 6. Thanks to everyone who is volunteering. To learn more about upcoming volunteer opportunities, contact Vonni Davis at vonni.davis@aig.com or Karen Wilder at karen.wilder@aig.com.



Great American bakers for the Yellow Brick Road included, from left, Retta Barkley, Kathy White, Cathy Barnette and Lee Wright.



Karla Wiggins and Debra Eilers of the Arrowpoint Capital Finance Team deliver items for the Charlotte Family Housing welcome baskets.