

Dear JDRF families and friends,

With the new year ahead of us, The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Western Wisconsin Chapter is busy planning and anticipating our Spring Gala. With our theme, "Let the Dream take Flight", we hope to draw more attention to Type 1 Diabetes and raise a record amount of money for critical diabetes research.

My name is Anne Marie Paradisin, and I am happy to be the Family Basket Chairperson for the 2010 Spring Gala. My 7-year-old son Shane was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes when he was just 10 months old, so I know very well how this disease affects the entire family. The family basket fundraiser is a wonderful way for you to participate in the Gala. Last year, family baskets brought in over \$5,000! This is a significant amount of money, and the baskets add a beautiful, warm tone to the evening. Nothing is more touching than seeing what family and friends bring forth in honor of their loved ones living with diabetes.

To continue to make this a success, we need you! If you would like to donate a family basket, please fill out the attached Family Basket Interest Form and send it to the JDRF office as soon as possible, and no later than March 9th. You can email the form to westernwi@jdrf.org or mail to Western Wisconsin Chapter 7818 Big Sky Drive Suite 118 Madison, WI 53719.

Please include the following:

1. Choose a theme for your basket. This is your chance to be creative and have fun! The options are limitless, so think about items and activities your family enjoys. I usually choose a theme centered on my son's interests. See the attached for ideas and theme examples. Feel free to call me at the number below to help brainstorm ideas.
2. The estimated value of each basket should be \$50 or greater.
3. A picture of your child to accompany the basket is a wonderful way to add a personal touch to the basket!
4. Consider asking family members and friends to donate a basket on your child's behalf.

All finished baskets need to be in the JDRF office by April 1st. If transportation is a problem, please contact us at 608-833-2873.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 608-846-0744 or aparadisin@yahoo.com. Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and generosity.

Sincerely,
Anne Marie Paradisin
Family Basket Chair



dedicated to finding a cure

JDRF – WESTERN WI CHAPTER
Family Basket Interest Form
“Let the Dream Take Flight” – Spring Gala
Monona Terrace, April, 24th 2010

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Retail Value of Basket: _____

Basket Theme: _____

Basket Donated by: _____

Basket In Honor Of: _____

(child, family or Walk Team name)

Photo Included: _____
(yes/no)

Photo to be delivered by: _____
(date)

Request for photo return: _____
(include name & address on back of photo)

I volunteer to oversee a table at the gala silent auction: _____
Yes No

(Volunteers will be assigned, according to need, on a first come first serve basis)

Basket will be delivered to JDRF Office by: _____
(April 1 or before)

Please mail or fax this form to:
JDRF – Western WI Chapter
7818 Big Sky Drive, Suite 118
Madison, WI 53719
westernwi@jdrf.org
FAX-608.833.9214

RSVP BY 03/09/10
THANK YOU!

Family Basket Auction Ideas

Kid's Korner

- ❖ Toys
- ❖ Skateboarding
- ❖ Art Supplies
- ❖ Dolls
- ❖ Teddy bears
- ❖ Sports
- ❖ Birthday
- ❖ Care Bears, My Little Pony, Bratz, Thomas the Train or SpongeBob Stuff!
- ❖ Baby
- ❖ Children's book series
- ❖ Handmade Baby Quilt
- ❖ Board games
- ❖ Legos

Sports & Recreation (Items/Experiences/Events)

- ❖ Fishing
- ❖ Skiing, Snowboard (gloves, hat, lessons, handwarmers)
- ❖ UW gear
- ❖ Packers
- ❖ Brewers
- ❖ Golf
- ❖ Football
- ❖ Basketball
- ❖ Beach (towel, bag, lotions, toys)
- ❖ Poker
- ❖ Harley Davidson Motorcycle
- ❖ Cycling (helmet, gear, tire pump)

Gourmet's Delight - Food & Drink

- ❖ Scotch basket
- ❖ Beer (Pilsner glasses, sample pack, GC,)
- ❖ Bed & Breakfast (tray, candles, jams, silver vase, etc)
- ❖ Wine (Australian, Italian, Reds, Whites)
- ❖ Dessert
- ❖ Cigars
- ❖ Crab Fest (spices, towels, mallets, plates, GC, etc)
- ❖ Chocolate
- ❖ Soup (bowls, mixes, spoons, napkins, GC)
- ❖ Ice Cream (bowls, toppings, GC)
- ❖ Martini Party (glasses, mixers, olives, lemons,)
- ❖ Margarita Basket with all the fixin's!
- ❖ Entertaining Party Basket with glasses, plates, napkins, stirrers, mini knives, etc.
- ❖ BBQ (grilling accessories, sauces, apron)
- ❖ Coffee Tea (mugs, cups, napkins, teas, coffees, GC)
- ❖ Champagne (glasses, couple of bottles, bucket)
- ❖ Dog (bed, treats, leash, collar, toys, bowl)
- ❖ Cat (toys, bowl, bed)
- ❖ Bath (pillow, candles, book, soaps, lotions)

Home & Garden Ideas

- ❖ Kitchen Package (spatulas, mixing bowls, hand towels)
- ❖ Collection of Tools
- ❖ 100 Top Movie Videos/DVD's of all time
- ❖ Garden (GC local flower shop, seeds, tools, gloves, vases)
- ❖ Cleaning products
- ❖ Books (New York Times Best Seller List, Oprah book club, etc.)
- ❖ Photography (GC, digital camera, frames, film, lessons)
- ❖ Computer (checkup, cleaners, mouse pads, software)
- ❖ Scrapbooking
- ❖ Video Games
- ❖ Workout (duffle bag, weights, gym membership, towel, magazines)
- ❖ Spa Packages
- ❖ Makeup
- ❖ Jewelry Making