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Hello Lion!

The views out our windows are very different in the winter, but we are already thinking of summer here at Camp Dogwood. We need you! Volunteering for a week with visually impaired/blind campers will be the most rewarding experience of your summer. You can make a significant difference in the lives of the blind and visually impaired. Do you have a good energy level? Do you enjoy assisting visually impaired/blind persons? Come see what Camp Dogwood is all about, and how important it is to the individuals we serve. **This summer Camp Dogwood will serve up to 88 campers per week. To accomplish this we need 8 volunteers each week.**

Meals and lodging are provided at no charge to our volunteers. This is a one week commitment. We request that all volunteers stay from noon Sunday to noon the following Saturday. If you would like to join us, please complete the volunteer packet and return it to us as soon as possible. If you need additional packets they are available by mail, and may be downloaded from our website.

Whether you are an alumni or new volunteer, we hope you will plan on joining us this summer. Fun and fellowship will abound. New friends are waiting to be found. Favorite pastimes are in place, and we hope to add more musical performances and guest speakers. Wireless internet is available if you would like to bring your laptop. New this year we have added a dog run area for service dogs.

Please take time to carefully read the enclosed information, look over the schedule and fill out the application. Once your application has been approved and your week has been assigned, I will email or mail you a confirmation for that week. We encourage you to bring your spouse or a Lion friend to volunteer with. **If you cannot volunteer this summer please help us by passing this application on to someone who can.**

Please contact me with any questions at 800-662-7401 ext. 229 or email me at susan@nclionsinc.org. You may also visit our website at www.nclionscampdogwood.com for additional information.

***** New for 2012, please note, Session 6 is not a youth week. *****

Please consider joining us this summer. I look forward to seeing you here.
Thank you,

Susan King
Camp Dogwood Director

2012 Volunteer Application

CAMP DOGWOOD SUMMER VOLUNTEERS

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A Lion in good standing of a North Carolina Lions Club.
2. An immediate family member, at least eighteen (18) years old, of a Lion in good standing of a North Carolina Lions Club and attending with that Lion.
3. A former counselor.
4. All others must submit 3 letters of recommendation from Lions in good standing of a North Carolina Lions Club.
5. Persons will not be allowed to serve as volunteers and campers during the same camp season.

ATTRIBUTES OF A GOOD VOLUNTEER:

1. Volunteers should have strong personal moral standards.
2. Volunteers should have concern for others and be comfortable around people who are different, including the mildly retarded. They should enjoy reaching out to assist those with varying degrees of disability other than visual impairment.
3. Volunteers should feel comfortable having close association with people regardless of their race, social and economic status, and educational backgrounds.
4. It is necessary that volunteers be in relatively good health and physical condition.
5. All volunteers are under the direction of the Camp Director and must be team-oriented individuals willing to accept a variety of assignments and duties.
6. Each volunteer must appreciate and support the mission of Camp Dogwood as a recreation facility for the blind and visually impaired citizens of North Carolina and their immediate families, and the goal of the Camp to provide a memorable vacation experience for the campers.
7. The first interest of every volunteer is the camper. The camp exists and operates for the camper.
8. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs may be in a volunteer's possession or consumed by a volunteer while on camp premises. Any volunteer found in violation of this regulation will be dismissed.
9. Smoking Policy: Camp Dogwood is a non-smoking facility. Smoking is only allowed in designated areas. Designated areas will be marked indicating that smoking is allowed.
10. The lodge kitchen is "off limits" to everyone.
11. Fraternalizing between volunteers and campers is prohibited. Any volunteer found in violation of this regulation will be dismissed.
12. The North Carolina Lions, Inc. has adopted a policy of post accident and random drug testing for all volunteers. Subject to the procedures of the North Carolina Lions, Inc. routine criminal background inquiries are completed on all volunteers.
13. The camp reserves the right to use any and all pictures taken of volunteers during the performance of their duties as camp volunteers without compensation.
14. Volunteers agree to abide by the policies and procedures of Camp Dogwood and the North Carolina Lions, Inc.
15. **Acceptance of tips and or gifts from campers or any sighted persons accompanying the visually impaired or blind by staff, counselors, and volunteers is strictly prohibited**

NORTH CAROLINA LIONS, INC.
2012 CAMP DOGWOOD SUMMER SCHEDULE

SESSION	DATE	COOKOUT THEME
<u>1</u>	<u>JUNE 3 – JUNE 9</u>	<u>Luau/Beach</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>JUNE 10 – JUNE 16</u>	<u>Western/Cowboys & Cowgirls</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>JUNE 17 – JUNE 23</u>	<u>Peace, Love & Hippies</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>JUNE 24 – JUNE 30</u>	<u>Luau/Beach</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>JULY 1 – JULY 7</u>	<u>Western/Cowboys & Cowgirls</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>JULY 8 – JULY 14</u>	<u>Peace, Love & Hippies</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>JULY 15 – JULY 21</u>	<u>Luau/Beach</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>JULY 22 – JULY 28</u>	<u>Western/Cowboys & Cowgirls</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>JULY 29 – AUGUST 4</u>	<u>Peace, Love & Hippies</u>
<u>10</u>	<u>AUGUST 5 – AUGUST 11</u>	<u>Luau/Beach</u>

***** Youth week has been suspended until further notice. Session 6 is now an adult week. *****

ALL SESSIONS BEGIN ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND END ON SATURDAY MORNING.

8 Volunteers are needed for each session.

**NORTH CAROLINA LIONS, INC.
CAMP DOGWOOD
VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**

Name Lion: Yes No

Address City State Zip

Birthday / / Phone: Day Evening

Email address:

How often do you check your email? Daily Weekly Monthly Other

Club District

If not a Lion: spouse's/family member's Name:

Club District

Have you ever been convicted of any crime including sex-related or child-abuse related offenses? Yes No

If yes, explain details in full, including dates, details of offense(s) charged, jurisdiction and disposition of case. Use separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Do you plan to drive the camp vehicles?

Passenger Vans? Yes No

Golf Cart? Yes No

If yes, Driving license number State

It is now necessary for us to obtain a motor vehicle report on all camp vehicle drivers.

T-shirt size: small, medium, large, XL, 2XL, 3XL

In case of an emergency please contact:

Name Relationship

Address

City State Zip

Phone: Day Evening

Please list any medical conditions that we should know about, in case of an emergency:

Please list other volunteer experience you may have.

These are some of the duties you may be asked to perform or assist with:

Guiding visually impaired campers
 Assist at mealtimes by serving trays or helping at a table.
 Assist campers prior to breakfast. (Lodge 7:00 am)
 Drive golf cart
 Assist campers in Crafts and Art lessons
 Assist campers bowling
 Assist campers with fishing

Serve as second staff on boats
 Assist campers with shopping
 Monitor Lodge during free time
 Assist camper with computers, books, etc.
 Monitor Lodge in evening. (8:00 p.m. to 11:00p.m.)
 Assist campers on Nature Trail
 Operate camp snack bar
 Helping at flag raising and devotions

As with any undertaking in today's world, VOLUNTEER understands that he/she could become the subject of civil or criminal legal proceedings as a result of the volunteer activities in which he/she engages. Camp Dogwood and the North Carolina Lions, Inc. specifically prohibit actions on the part of its volunteers that could become the subject of such legal action whether such actions are clearly illegal or are merely misinterpreted. Volunteer understands that if such legal action occurs, Camp Dogwood and the North Carolina Lions, Inc. will not provide any legal representation or financial assistance to VOLUNTEER with respect to legal costs or fees incurred in defense of such legal actions.

All volunteers are subject to routine criminal background inquiries and post accident and random drug testing.

I would like to volunteer for: Session _____ Date: _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

Office use only

Application number _____ Date received _____

Reviewed by:	Recommended
Camp Director _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Date _____	
Executive Director _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Date _____	

Approved by Executive Committee: _____ Approved

NCLI President _____ Yes No

Date _____

**PRE-EMPLOYMENT AND CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT/ VOLUNTEER DISCLOSURE
FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT
AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE**

I understand that in connection with my application for Employment, Volunteer Services, and /or for Continuous Employment, and /or Volunteer Services the North Carolina Lions, Inc./Camp Dogwood, IntelliCorp, their agents, assigns or any other authorized third parties (collectively, the "Investigators") may be performing, requesting, obtaining or conducting a background check on me. This background check may include an inquiry into my Employment History, Education, General Character or Reputation, Work Experience, Volunteer Experience, Driving, and/or Criminal History. However, unless my position involves handling money or having access to monies and /or other transferable monetary instruments, my Credit History will not be checked.

I understand that the North Carolina Lions, Inc./Camp Dogwood may rely on any part or all of this Information in determining whether to extend an offer of Employment/ Volunteers' duties to me. I further understand that if any adverse action is taken by the North Carolina Lions, Inc./Camp Dogwood, or if the North Carolina Lions, Inc./Camp Dogwood chooses not to extend an offer of Employment/Volunteer duties to me based upon the Information, that I will be provided a copy of such Information along with a summary of my rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

I understand that the background check, which may be performed by Investigators, is being performed as part of the process to evaluate me prior to Employment/Volunteer assignments, and is not conducted for any purpose other than in connection with my Application for Employment, Volunteer status and/or my eligibility for Continued Employment/ Volunteer Duties.

I have read this Pre-Employment and Continued Employment/Volunteer Disclosure and by signing below, hereby authorize Investigators to conduct a background check as described herein in conjunction with my application for employment/ volunteer duties. I hereby release any and all Investigators, including the North Carolina Lions, Inc./Camp Dogwood, from any and all liability related to the procurement or disclosure of any information provided by me or obtained about me in connection with my Application with Employer/Organization. I further direct and authorize Investigators to conduct the background check and further authorize any third parties who may be the custodians of or in possession of the requested Information, to disclose such Information to Investigators in connection with this background check.

Although furnishing your Social Security Number is not optional, it shall be used for NO other purpose than to make the process for conducting a background search more accurate. It shall not be sold, or in any way transferred to a third party except for the express purpose of conducting the background check.

Applicant Signature

Date

Printed First, Middle & Last Name (no initials)

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Driver license # & State issuing

Former Last Names (if applicable)

Current Address:

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Former Address:

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Please list the types of activities you prefer to assist with or be assigned to (this does not guarantee your assignment to these duties):

Do you have suggestions for or about the upcoming camp season?

**Do you have any impairments that may affect your ability to assist the campers or perform certain duties? Mobility issues? Vision impairment? Etc.?
(This information will not disqualify you from volunteering. This information will help us to place you where you will be most suited.)**

Is there any other information you would like to share with us?
