



Northwest Arkansas Razorback Club E-News

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Club Information

2008 Football Banquet – A HUGE Success!



The 2008 Football Banquet, presented by the George Billingsley Northwest Arkansas Razorback Club and Arvest on April 21st, was a huge success, with 500 attendees and "netting" over \$16,500 for the Razorback Foundation and U of A athletic scholarships!

During dinner, (with great food provided by our sponsor Premier, as always), head football Coach Bobby Petrino signed autographs for attendees. A live auction and raffle were held with significant bidding on all auction items.

The formal program began with Club President Doyle Groff introducing Chuck Barrett as emcee for the event. Razorback Foundation Vice President Harold Horton recognized the club and its efforts, introduced special guests in attendance and brought up former Razorback cheerleader Dick Trammell to lead the crowd in the Hog Call.

Razorback Foundation President Chuck Dicus welcomed everyone and acknowledged the history and growth of the club. Jeff Long, University of Arkansas Athletic Director, thanked everyone for their support and informed the crowd of the earlier resignation in the day of head track Coach John McDonnell. Even though he was not in attendance, the crowd gave Coach McDonnell a standing ovation.

Coach Petrino was introduced to lots of cheering and a very long standing ovation. Petrino answered questions asked by Barrett about himself, his football philosophies and the Razorbacks. He then took questions from the audience.

The evening ended with another "Hog Call" and with the club presenting a check for \$10,000.00 to the Foundation – the first of many this year!

The NWA Razorback Club Board of Directors would like to thank all attendees, volunteers and sponsors.

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7th Annual Razorback Classic Celebrity Scramble

Saturday, May 31st
Bella Vista Country Club
100 Country Club, Bella Vista

Registration: 7:00 a.m.

- Coffee and Donuts
- Mulligan and Raffle Sales

Shotgun Start: 8:00 a.m.

- **\$5,000 Putting Contest and**
- **\$10,000 "Hole in One" Contest,**
 both sponsored by
 Vacation Rentals, Inc.



Lunch: Noon

- Team Results and Prizes
- Raffle
- Live Auction

Come join fellow Razorback fans, coaches and former players as we **raise funds for University of Arkansas athletic scholarships.**

Field a 5-person team and we'll team you up with a current or former Razorback player, coach or media celebrity. Or sign up as an individual player and we'll put together a team. Junior and women golfers are encouraged to play! **Amateurs only...**

Cost:

5-Person Team + Tee Box Sign	\$700.00
5- Person Team	\$625.00
Individual Player	\$125.00
Tee Box Sign Sponsor	\$100.00

A registration form is attached to this email.

For more information contact Doyle Groff at 479-366-1209 or jgroff1@att.net

A special E-News will be sent later in May outlining "logistics" for the Golf Tourney, as well as highlighting various sponsors, raffle and live auction packages/items.

Upcoming Razorback-Related Charity Events:

For those of you new to our club, in addition to information about club events, we also provide information periodically about upcoming Razorback-related charity events, such as:

Kerri Arriola
Benefit and Silent Auction
Saturday, May 3rd (TOMORROW)

11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Grace Harbour Church
2125 W. New Hope Rd.
Rogers, AR

BBQ Sandwiches or Beef Brisket, Sides and Desserts

Tickets \$5.00 per person

Kerri Arriola, a 24-year old University of Arkansas graduate from Rogers, was first diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 13 and after many chemo treatments the cancer went into remission.

Unfortunately, the leukemia returned more aggressively in 2007. Since then, Kerri has traveled to Children's Hospital for chemo treatments and care. **She now needs a bone marrow transplant. Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in Nashville, TN has accepted her for the transplant.**

This benefit and silent auction is being held to raise money for her mother Judy's living expenses while Kerri is in Tennessee (approx. 4 months), as well as to help defray medical costs. An account has been set up in Kerri's name at Arvest Bank.

If you would like to purchase advance tickets for the benefit or donate auction items, contact Gwen Blair at 479-756-9444. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Pagnozzi Charities
4th Annual
GRAND SLAM CELEBRATION
at the home of Colleen and Tom Pagnozzi
Saturday, May 17th
6:00pm – Midnight

Live Entertainment by:



Tickets are \$100

**Live Auction with all proceeds benefitting the Pagnozzi
Youth Sports Scholarship Fund**

The mission of Pagnozzi Charities Youth Sports Scholarship Program is to open the door of athletic experiences to under-privileged youth. Their goal is to advance the well-being of youth by giving them the same opportunity as their peers and introducing them to positive life experience. Pagnozzi Charities provided 1,563 scholarships in 2007 and have set a goal of 1,850 scholarships for 2008...

**For information on purchasing tickets, contact Sarah
Eldridge at 479.443.2550 or sarah@pagozzicharities.org**

Paul Eells Foundation
3rd Annual
Stars-n-Strikes Celebrity Softball Game

Saturday, May 17th
UALR's Gary Hogan Field – Little Rock
First Pitch at 1:00

The Third Annual Paul Eells Stars-N-Strikes Celebrity Softball Game, sponsored by Arkansas Business Publishing Group and Arkansas Sports Performance Center, will be held Saturday, May 17th, at UALR's Gary Hogan Field in Little Rock. All proceeds of the game go to the Paul Eells Foundation.

They have a star-studded lineup of former Arkansas Razorbacks, Arkansas personalities, and media experts that will play each other in a fun filled game for the entire family.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. Contact 501-652-6083 for ticket purchases or for more information.

Don't Forget: 2008 Club Membership Fees

Thank you to all members who have paid your 2008 membership fees. For those who haven't, membership fees are due. There are a couple of ways you can pay your 2008 membership fees:

1. Send a payment of \$10.00 per person to:

George Billingsley
Northwest Arkansas Razorback Club
P.O. Box 412
Bentonville, AR 72712

Join and/or contribute to the Razorback Foundation, <http://www.razorbackfoundation.net>, whose fees include your local Razorback Club membership fee. The Foundation requires each member to reselect their local Razorback Club each year at renewal time. Taking this action enables our club to receive credit for your membership and ensures you're listed as "paid" at our 2008 events. Just list our Club on your 2008 renewal form. If you forget to list it, please contact the Foundation at 479-443-9000 and have them add it to your membership information

E-News

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Contacts

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