

CCYC/AYC Motorcycle G.O.A.L. Autism Fundraiser

1 in 68 children in the United States have some form of Autism

This includes 1 in 42 boys and 1 in 189 girls.

- *An estimated 50,000 teens with autism become adults – and lose school-based autism services – each year.*
- *Around one third of people with autism remain nonverbal.*
- *Around one third of people with autism have an intellectual disability.*
- *Certain medical and mental health issues frequently accompany autism. They include gastrointestinal (GI) disorders, seizures, sleep disturbances, attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), anxiety and phobias.*

GOAL Autism School has 45 students currently ranging from Ages 5-28. They have an elementary classroom and they have a workplace for Independence program for anyone ages 16 and up. Most of their program is a 3-1 student to teacher ratio.

Motorcycle runs in the past five years has bought them things such as:

1. Two passenger vans
2. Additional Field Trips that the parents or autism scholarship does not cover such as Put-In-Bay, African Safari etc.... (some of these kids have never rode in a boat before)
3. Art supplies, Sensory re-enforcers, computers, printers



This is why Dave and I do the bike run and his name is Jason my son, a proud junior member of Cooley Canal Yacht Club and a student at GOAL Autism. He loves boating, motorcycles and anything that ends in vacation. The islands are his favorite place to be. Autism or not he's a smart kid lol!!! We are big advocates promoting autism awareness and helping in any way possible. Cooley Canal Yacht club is the best in supporting Jason and he is one good can crusher for any event we have.

This year we will make this an AYC Bike Run thanks to Steve Hyder and Pam, my truly great Friends. I am asking for your help in any way your club can help in this huge event. Last year we had 118 bikes. We are looking for booze baskets or any kind of silent auction baskets, hotel stays, gift cards. Thank you to Harbor View Yacht Club last year for the huge cooler of booze, we raised \$520.00 for the school on just that one cooler. I also have some venders coming out that sell boating/motorcycle items also. They will be setup during the full day event on Saturday.

We will be announcing the event on 94.5 and the Denny Schaffer show. The event flyers are everywhere and also all over Facebook. They are also posted on the AYC site and please share also on your own Club page.

Thanks for listening and tell all your boater/biker friends that we hope to see them out at CCYC on June 15 and 16.

Gayle and David Millinger, CCYC Members



How many of you know someone with Autism!!