

**WHO TAUGHT YOU THE
MOST IMPORTANT
LESSONS IN LIFE?**

D.A.D.

**THE CITY OF SNELLVILLE IS
PROUD TO HOST THE 1ST**

DISABILITY AWARENESS DAYS

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
35TH ANNUAL SNELLVILLE
DAYS FESTIVAL.**

MAY 3RD AND 4TH, 2008

1 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

**T. W. BRISCOE PARK,
SNELLVILLE, GA**

*(D.A.D. will be located at the tennis
courts by the food and kids
entertainment areas)*

**COME WALK IN MY SHOES FOR
A MOMENT, AN HOUR OR A
WHOLE DAY!**

**GAIN A LIFETIME OF LESSONS
AND UNDERSTANDING IN JUST
UNDER AN HOUR.**

What is D.A.D.?

D.A.D. (Disability Awareness Days) was an idea between two people who just happened to have MS (Multiple Sclerosis). To the "average Joe", that curb is nothing to step over but to persons with disabilities, that curb might as well be Mount Everest.

By spending a little time with us, you will get the opportunity to "experience" what life is like when you cannot walk a straight line, see those important instructions on a project at work, squeeze your wheelchair (legs to some of us) through that tiny doorway and up that steep ramp or even pick-up a coin from the floor. You will get a whole new outlook on life when you personally "WALK IN MY SHOES".

Welcome and thank you for being curious and daring !!!

The Sponsors of the stations available at Disability Awareness Days are DONATING their time and freely SHARING their information with you. Please feel free to drop any donations in their collection bottles.



STATION #1 – BLINDNESS

Sponsored by: Accredo Therapeutics

Blindness and impaired vision occurs as a result of numerous medical conditions. Sometimes symptoms can be sudden; blurring of eyes, spots, streaks, clouds or even TOTAL Blindness. Many persons with MS, Diabetes or other disorders experience visual challenges.

Try on our goggles and see how your life would be affected if YOU suddenly lost the gift of sight.

STATION#2– DROP/ DRAG FOOT

Sponsored by: Heavenly Wheels

Drop/Drag Foot is a common ailment in persons with MS, Arthritis, Strokes, and many more medical maladies.

Slip a set of our ankle weights on and gain an understanding of the experience of “20 lb. legs”.

STATION #3 - THE “HUG”

Sponsored by: The MS Institute at Shepherd

Many medical conditions show themselves with what is known as the “Hug”. A strong, squeezing feeling around the rib cage that challenges each breath you take.

Try on one of our “Hug Simulators” and take a two minute walk. How is YOUR air supply?

STATION #4 - THE “CREEPIES”

Sponsored by: The Snellville MS Self Help Group

Medical conditions such as Fibromyalgia, Multiple Sclerosis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, etc. can show their evil heads with an annoying, painful symptom known as the “Creepies”.

Slip on our arm and leg “Creepies” and experience the constant, nagging, aggravating pain some of these people live with EVERY DAY!

STATION #5 - LOSS OF BALANCE

Sponsored by: The National M.S. Society

A VERY common symptom in many, many medical conditions.

Your challenge is to slip on a high heel shoe on one foot and a swim fin on the other. Try to walk 10 yards without falling over or into something.

STATION #6 – LOSS OF DEXTERITY

Sponsored by: The Wishes 4 Me Foundation

Have you ever felt challenged when you were trying to screw in a small screw or pick-up that lucky quarter you just found? If your life’s itinerary included MS, Arthritis or any number of other conditions, you would understand all to well what a challenge this simple task can be.

Try on three pairs of latex gloves. Then pick up that quarter or insert that screw. A little difficult? Yes, but fun and challenging.

You will be both amazed and proud of yourself once you have experienced all of the Stations at Disability Awareness Day.

Please enjoy yourself and leave us with your mind and heart well educated on the

daily hardships of people living with disabilities.

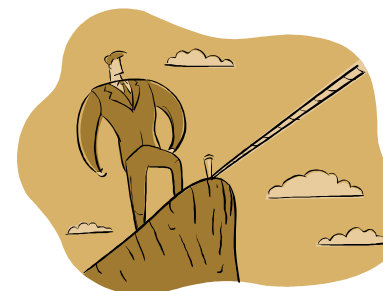
When you kiss your children and loved ones, be grateful their lives and yours have been spared this difficult road.

We would like to also thank the following companies for their support of DAD:

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