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The Wings of Falcons

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Each year, you join the Falcon Fan-atics. Why do you join? Primarily, it is because the Fan-atics are a fan club of the Atlanta Falcons.

You get to socialize with some hard core Falcon fans. You get to meet Falcon players and get

autographs. You get information on away trips but is this all that it means to be a Falcon Fan-atic?

The answer is a resounding, no! The Falcon Fan-atics are much more than just a bunch of fans of a sports team that like to socialize together.

The Fan-atics are also about giving back to the community in anyway we can. You are a part of a group that makes difference in people’s lives and you should feel proud of this and hold your head up high and proclaim that you are a Fan-atic.

Each year, the club raises money through a variety of ways but primarily from our tailgate raffles and our annual large raffle. This money is in turn donated to charities located around Atlanta, usually in the name of the Atlanta Falcon that won one of our yearly Fan-atic awards as well as a donation to the Falcon Cheerleaders charity of choice.



The club does more than just raise and donate money. We try to touch the lives

of others as well.

One way of doing this is through the pizza parties the club sponsors at local area children’s hospitals.

With the help of Falcon Cheerleaders Jamie R., Nicole D. Laurie. Sandra, Erika, Nikky, Freddie Falcon, the hospital crew Morris and Chelsea Willhite, and her volunteer crew and our Falcon Fanatics crew April, Diane, Byron, Sherri, Tim , Lenny on his birthday, Ray on oct 3 2006 The Falcon Fanatics Scottish Rite Children's Hospital Pizza Party was a astounding success! *Continued on Page 4*

October's Fan-atic's Meeting

We will have a meeting in October and it will be at Corky's near Gwinnett Place Mall on October 10th at 7:00 p.m. No guest speaker has been announced at this time.

Directions to Corky's:

Phone Number: 770-564-8666

From I-85N

- I-85N to Exit 104 (Pleasant Hill Road).
- Take a right and proceed approx. 6/10th of a mile.
- Turn right onto Sweetwater Road.
- Corky's will be on the right

From I-85S

- I-85S to Exit 104 (Pleasant Hill Road).
- Take a left and proceed approx. 6/10th of a mile.
- Turn right onto Sweetwater Road.

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Raffle Time

At each tailgate, we have a raffle and give away a table full of Falcons merchandise prior to each home game. Stop on by and purchase a ticket or two. Tickets sell for \$1 each, 7 tickets for \$5 and 20 tickets for \$10.

Also each year, we have an end of year raffle for a nicer prize. This year, the club is raffling a 32 inch flat screen tv. The drawing will be held at the 12/24 home game vs. the Carolina Panthers and you don't have to be present to win.

That said, this means that those that are not in the

Atlanta area or do not have season tickets can still participate in the raffle. Send an e-mail to falcon_fanatics@yahoo.com to have some tickets sent to you. Buy some for yourself or sell some to your family and friends. We ship the tv to anyone in the continental United States.

Tickets are \$1 each. If you wish just to get some tickets for yourself, send a check to Joe Cooper at 301 Meadow Lane, Auburn, GA 30011. Include in the envelope, the number of tickets you want, your address and your phone number. We will call the winner at the drawing if they are not present.

Remember, every dollar raised above the cost of the tv goes to charity. That's 100% of the proceeds. Not many organizations can boast those numbers.

Buy yours today.

Face to Face Taping at the ESPN Zone

Each week the Fan-atics head to the taping of Falcons Face to Face. This show will air on WXIA the next Saturday after.

Autographs, pictures, questions asked, possibly seen on TV and free game tickets and Falcon stuff if you know Falcon Facts, front row table all for the price of going out for dinner or a snack at Buckhead' famous ESPN ZONE restaurant. Priceless!

We have reserved seating up front for our club members. If you want a seat with the Fanatics. Please call or email Chuck Ruffino at cruffino@charter.net

Let's Get Digital

Ever received your newsletter late? Was it ever damaged by the Post Office? Did you ever not receive your copy of the Fan-Atic Flyer?

Well, worry no more about receiving your copy. Sign up today and start receiving your newsletter through e-mail. All you need is an e-mail address and Microsoft Word on your PC. You will receive your newsletter the same day it is released to the printers. No more annoying staples to remove. No damage pages. Better quality photos. And you can print out as many copies as you want for your own use and to give to friends and co-workers. Additionally, receiving your newsletter via e-mail will help reduce the clubs administration expenses and the more money we save running the club translates into more money will can put into selected charities.

Delay no longer. Sign up today and receive your next issue electronically. Send an e-mail with the subject "Sign Me Up" to falcon_fanatics@yahoo.com. That's all you have to do. The newsletter will be sent to the e-mail address on your sign up notice.

Moving/Change of Address or E-mail

If any member has a change of address or e-mail or is planning to have a change of address, please let Joe Cooper know so he can update the records so that he can make sure you continue to get your newsletter. Thank you.

RENEWALS REMINDER

Just a reminder that the 2006 – 07 dues were due in August. Please complete the form below and send in the dues for this year if you have not already done so.

Remember the club is a fan club of the Atlanta Falcons but we are more than that. We work countless hours raising money for local charities so that they can help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Over the pass few years, we have average earning and distributing over \$4,000 a year for charities. The

Falcon Fan-atics have assisted such organizations such as Boys Club of America, the Atlanta Food Bank, the Atlanta Women's Shelter, Warrick Dunn's Home for the Holiday's Foundation, the Tommy Nobis Center, Atlanta area children's hospitals, etc.

This means that you are apart of an organization that is making a difference in the community. Even if you are not in the Atlanta area, you are still helping to change peoples lives. Every dollar that is not used in the operation of the club is used to assist in the charity operations of the club so renew today and help us continue to do the much

needed work.

Remember we have adjusted the membership fee for families at our last Fanatics Club meeting, now one membership per family at the same address. Which means spouse and children are free. T-shirts are the same price as before, \$5 for the first membership and \$10 per extras. Updated application is below.

If you have sent it in already you will be refunded, please email Chuck Ruffino at chuckruffino@falconfanatics.com if this has happened.

Member Information:

New member: _____ Renewal: _____

Please print

Name(s) of Applicant(s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

HomePhone: _____ Cell: _____ E-Mail: _____

Falcon Season Ticket Holder: ___ Yes ___ No

Age Group: (circle) Under 12 13-20 21-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-70 Over 70

If you would like to serve on a committee, please indicate which committee you are interested in by circling the name:
Telephone Membership Volunteer Tailgate Special Events Membership:

\$24.00 Individual investment per year for United States Mailing Addresses International Mailing Address is \$30.00 for individuals, New members prorated annual fee, contact membership chairman. **chuckruffino@falconfanatics.com 678-472-2616**

How many are joining using this application? _____

Extra Member Items:

There is an extra charge for t-shirts and golf shirts: Indicate your T-shirt size and quantity requested: (T-shirts are red; \$5.00 each per membership, \$10 for extras)

S or M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____

Indicate your Golf shirt size and quantity requested:
(Golf shirts are: S,M,L or XL \$29.00 each - XXL is \$31.00 each - XXXL is \$32.00 each)

You can order multiple sizes and colors: Please indicate your color choice with the following designation: WHITE (W), BLACK (B) or RED (R) when making your selection. Please clearly indicate your requested size and quantity & color:

S or M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____
(W) (B) (R) (W) (B) (R) (W) (B) (R) (W) (B) (R) (W) (B) (R)

Payment Information:

Please make your check out to: "Falcon Fanatics, Inc." Date _____ Total _____ Amount enclosed: Check #:

NOTE:
We accept the following Credit Cards with on-line applications only.

Please complete this membership form, enclosed your payment and send to: Falcon Fanatics, Inc., P.O. Box 7117, Marietta, Georgia, 30065-1117

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The club served up pizza and soda while the cheerleaders served up memories from the autographed posters and Polaroid's to the cheer routine to the personal trip to the children that were confined to there beds. And Freddie doing the same and more to make a less than great time in the hospital better.

What made it so good was the smile of each child that came through the doors down stairs or when Freddie and the cheerleaders visited them at there bed side.

The club would like thank each and everyone in our great club for the opportunity to have the hospital visit because if we were not club we would not be able to host this party.

So even though we are fans of our beloved Falcons, remember that like the wings of Falcons, the Fan-atics have wings of angels.



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