Corporate Games News May 19, 2015

From the Director

... a quick debrief survey

The 2015 Corporate Games ended with a festive Harbor Cove Beach party on Saturday, May 9, under cool blue skies as teams competed for Overall and Unity points in Tug-O-War and Sandcastles.

Before we review the winners, here's a quick look-back at this year's changes:

1) Opening Ceremonies moved to the Ventura Community Park;
2) Rain actually postponed one event -- Tennis;
3) Closing Ceremonies featured a Kids Zone at Harbor Village;
4) Corn Hole is now a two-day tournament during Opening & Closing Ceremonies;
5) We added Lazertag as a new event in Simi Valley and Speed Scrabble to the Table Games held at Four Points Sheraton;
6) while Texas Hold'em became a standalone competition;
7) Teams like Oxnard PD and SAGE Publications moved up a division

The most effective way to improve your company's performance in the future is to take a critical look at what happened this year while the memories are fresh and make adjustment for next year. To help you evaluate, we've created a quick SURVEY to gather your input of likes and suggestions for making the Games better next year. Simply click on the link and complete the survey by May 30. Your input is very important to the continued success of the Corporate Games.

...and the winners are

We often measure success by the number of medals won, or points achieved, but the real measure of the Corporate Games is the development of friendships and the strengthening of a winning culture within your company. Companies that participate in the Corporate Games are winners already, because they recognize the importance of maintaining a happy and healthy workforce. If someone in your company participated in a team event and developed a new
New Indy Christian Contreras (contest winner)

If we gave out first-time Corporate Games company awards, they would include: California Internet, CID Management, Clark Construction, COVE ADC, Cumulus Radio, HD Supply, Channel Islands Logistics and Identity MSO.

T-Shirt Contest Winners ■ 1 and 2 ■ 3 and 4

Many thanks to the photographers of the 21 companies who submitted 187 entries for the 2015 Corporate Games Photo Contest: Amgen - A.R.M. Solutions Boskovich Farms - Calavo Growers - Casa Pacifica - CDR (Child Development Resources of Ventura County, Inc.) - City of Ventura - Conversant - County of Ventura - CSU Channel Islands - Eaton - EBAD - MSO (Identity Medical Group) - New Indy - Northrop Grumman - Parker-Hannifin Oxnard - SAGE - Taconic Biosciences - Teradyne - Ventura County Credit Union - HD Supply. Look for your snapshots in four categories: group, action, team spirit and community service by clicking on the album number. This newsletter is illustrated with the contest winners (see captions.) Please note that half the entries did not qualify to be chosen by judges due to their low resolution. Remember to set your camera or smart phone for maximum resolution so that the images you take are at least one megabyte in size to qualify—and less than nine megabytes to avoid being screened out by computer servers.

View all the contest winners here.

...JD Probasco Team Unity Winners

The JD Probasco Team Unity Award recognizes companies that exemplify the true spirit of the Corporate Games. Their teams may or may not have the strongest athletes, but they do all the little things that make a company great including at least three of the following: Community Service, Cori Hole Fundraiser, Office Olympics, Photo Contest, Run/Walk/Jog, Sandcastle Contest, and T-Shirt Contest, plus what JD always stresses "No Whinning."

Division D - DK Electric
Division C - Parker Hannifin - Oxnard
Division B - SAGE Publications
Division AA - California State University Channel Islands

...the New Kids on the Block

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As always, please feel free to contact me about Corporate Game by phone 805.658.4738 or email me at eburton@cityofventura.net. And thank you for your support of and participation in the Ventura Corporate Games!

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