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THE GREAT NAPLES DUCK RACE

Adopt a Duck, Save a Child!

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Naples, Fla. — The NCH Safe & Health Children’s Coalition of Collier County (The Coalition) is raising money and awareness towards drowning prevention. On Saturday, February 2nd, 2019, an estimated 10,000 yellow rubber race ducks, sporting ultra-cool sunglasses, will appear at Sun-N-Fun Lagoon Lazy River. The ducks will tumble, splash, bob, and slosh their way down the Lazy River, racing to the finish line to win GREAT prizes for their adopters. It will be entertainment for the entire family and a water safety festival where families can learn how to be safer in and around the water.

WHEN: February 2nd from 4pm-7pm

WHERE: Sun-N-Fun Lagoon (15000 Livingston Rd., Naples, 34109)

HOW: To adopt a duck, visit GreatNaplesDuckRace.com

The first 3 ducks to cross the finish line will win either \$10,000, \$5,000 or \$2,500, and you do not have to be present to win. The Great Naples Duck Race will start at 4pm and the Lazy River will be closed in preparation for the race. The ducks will be launched and begin racing around the Lazy River at approximately 6pm. Free entry into Sun-N-Fun Lagoon Waterpark on event day when you adopt a duck. To avoid lines, The Coalition is encouraging individuals to adopt a duck today.

“The Duck Race is the first time for us,” says Paula DiGrigoli, executive director of the NCH Safe & Healthy Children’s Coalition. “We used to do a golf tournament, but everybody is doing a golf tournament. After seeing the duck race success in Chicago, The Coalition decided this was a better way to raise money. We want to encourage everybody to go to the website, GreatNaplesDuckRace.com, to buy the ducks”.

All money raised goes toward drowning prevention. Drowning is the leading cause of death for children 1-4 years old in Collier County and is preventable.

- A \$10 duck pays for a life jacket that is available for free use at 15 Collier County locations.
- \$50 buys six ducks that pays for 10 swimming lessons for a child.
- \$100 pays for twelve ducks, which can cover seven water safety presentations at preschools.
- Buying 24 ducks for \$200 funds 33 door and window alarms to help prevent children from wandering into pools, lakes or canals.

Please help save lives by adopting ducks at GreatNaplesDuckRace.com and have great family fun at the Sun n Fun Lagoon on Saturday, February 2nd.

For more information, please contact Paula DiGrigoli at (239) 537-3436.

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