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SNAP OF MORGAN COUNTY PARENT SUPPORT GROUP OFF TO A GREAT START

Hartselle, Al- The inaugural meeting of SNAP of Morgan County's support group was held Monday, January 28 at the Hartselle Civic Center. Parents of children with special needs spent time getting to know each other, sharing their stories, and beginning to develop a plan to support each other as well as other parents of special needs children in the area.

There were several parents in attendance during the meeting, which was facilitated by Shohn Miller. Kellie Traynom of Trinity read about the SNAP of Morgan County Project in the Decatur Directions Magazine and was compelled to get involved. Mrs. Traynom brought her two daughters and a friend of theirs to help provide childcare for parents attending the meeting.

Support group facilitator Shohn Miller was encouraged by the positive interaction during the first meeting, and was optimistic about the future of the support group.

"There are just some things that you can only learn from someone who has been in similar situations," Miller said. "We were able to share some great information with one another, and I hope that our group will continue to grow each time we meet."

The next SNAP of Morgan County support group meeting will be held on March 10th. Specific information regarding the next meeting will be posted in February. For more information on how to become involved with the support group, please contact Shohn Miller at 256-773-1619.

It is estimated that there are more than 1,700 physically challenged children in Morgan County alone who don't have a place to play. The SNAP of Morgan County (Special Needs Accessible Playground) project is planning to change that by creating the premier "boundless" playground in the State of Alabama.

The playground will be strategically located in Morgan County on the grounds of the Hartselle Civic Center, home to a host of indoor/outdoor activities for children and adults alike. The unique design, accommodations and central location will make the SNAP playground a "destination attraction", encouraging all children to come play, whether they have special needs or not. Positive interaction between special needs children and those who are not physically challenged helps minimize the outlook special needs children often have of being different.

Individual and commercial business donations are vital to the funding of this much-needed community project. Every donation helps SNAP get closer to their goal of making a difference in the community.

To find out how you can help, contact Bill Camp, fundraising chairman, at 256-773-6591. SNAP of Morgan County invites all individuals and businesses to take the opportunity to give. Visit www.snapplayground.org for more information and send donations directly to: Civitan SNAP Project, P.O. Box 512, Hartselle, Alabama 35640.

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For more information or to coordinate an interview, please contact Jesse Ewing at 256-551-0112 or email at jesse@barcofirm.com. Any media exposure pertaining to this information would be greatly appreciated.

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