



faith for *Fallon*



Hello,

Mark your calendars! Family and Friends of Fallon Schlautman, daughter of Kevin and Katie Heimbecker-Schlautman, are looking forward to hosting a “Faith for Fallon” benefit on **Saturday, May 16, 2015** at Bartelso Park in Bartelso, Illinois. The fun starts at 2:00 pm. Activities for the day include a Be the Match drive, silent auction, oral auction, bocce ball tournament (4 person teams), bags tournament (2 person teams), Kids Korner, and plenty more for the whole family to enjoy!

Fallon has always been a special blessing. Without the help of in-utero blood transfusions, she would not be here with us today. After she was born, she continued to need blood transfusions due to severe anemia. As she got older, more problems started to appear. Further testing confirmed her immune system was not working properly. She now needs the help of human donor immunoglobulins (IVIG infusions). Fallon has spent more than 3 months of her life in the hospital for fevers with no known cause, GI issues/poor feeding, and chronic sideroblastic anemia. In January, a diagnosis was given: SIFD syndrome. There are only approximately 20 known cases diagnosed in the world. Fallon’s next steps are to undergo a bone marrow transplant in 2-4 months. Prior to the transplant, she will need to undergo chemotherapy to wipe out her immune system so a new one can take over. Fallon will be hospitalized for 6+ weeks, and she will need to live within 15 minutes of the hospital for 1 year post-transplant. All proceeds raised by the “Faith for Fallon” benefit will directly help Fallon, Kevin, and Katie in their journey to defeat SIFD syndrome.

In order to make this event a success, we need your help! By signing on as a cash and/or prize sponsor, your business will receive extra exposure among the many supporters who will join us for a fun-filled day at the park.

If you are interested in participating as a sponsor, please complete the attached form and return it along with your donation by **May 1, 2015**. Forms can be mailed to:

Chris Schlautman
5130 Gennifer Lane
Aviston, IL 62216

No donation is too big or too small! Your support of the “Faith for Fallon” benefit is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or are looking for other ways to participate in this event, please visit www.faitforfallon.org.

Sincerely,

Family and Friends of Fallon Schlautman