

***** ** THE 3rd Annual *** ****

SOAR OUTDOORS FUNDRAISER



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In 2015 Brian and Monica Swift hosted a dinner and auction at a local VFW hall to raise money for Swift Outdoor Accessible Recreation, SOAR. SOAR asked for a \$20 donation and had raffles and a silent auction that raised \$9500 the first year. SOAR Outdoors has continued to grow and is becoming a highly anticipated annual event.

Brian has spent nearly forty years living and fighting the destructive affects of mental and physical confinement. Outdoor activity has been proven to improve cognitive functioning, reduce symptoms of depression, attention deficit disorder, and increase self-discipline and emotional well-being.

Unfortunately, there is a distinct lack of accessible outdoor recreation locations. In addition, because insurance does not pay for accessible outdoor recreation equipment and very few non-profit organizations provide financial assistance for the purchase of such equipment, most people with disabilities lack access to the adaptive equipment required to participate in outdoor recreational activities. Your support will make an amazing difference.



SOAR's ultimate goal is to create an accessible outdoor recreation park that will provide families of individuals with physical disabilities with the opportunity to participate in activities such as camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, four wheeling, bicycling, and more. SOAR is trying to acquire 30 to 40 acres to build this accessible recreational park.

WHY OUTDOOR RECREATION?

The total suicide rate among individuals with spinal cord injuries is five times higher than expected in the general population.

Outdoor therapeutic recreation like the activities S.O.A.R. offers reduces pain, depression, stress, and anxiety; reduces the effects of disability, including increasing strength, endurance, flexibility, and balance; improves cardiovascular functioning; increases immune system activity; improves self-esteem, social skills, and self-advocacy skills; promotes independence; and improves mental alertness, attention span, and problem solving.

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"The good people at Soar were offering this scooter for free. Several times in the past I've had to stay in bed while my power chair was being repaired. I want to thank Brian and the people at Swift Outdoor Accessible Recreation. It will invariably make my life easier, and lead to new adventures or unforeseen shenanigans. Thanks again!"



"We have not been able to afford a therapeutic tricycle for our daughter and now she can finally get out and ride with her sister and friends. We are so thankful for the generosity of Brian and SOAR. This therapeutic tricycle will help her in so many ways. Thank you."



"Thank you for helping us get my wife into a chair with all the features that she needed, it's been a Godsend !! Thank you for giving your time and talent to help keep the wheelers active in the outdoors thru the SOAR organization."



SOAR has raised and donated in the form of charitable grants over 28 thousand dollars in two years.

We also donated over fifty thousand dollars in outdoor accessible wheelchairs, scooters, Track chair, hand cycles and other accessible equipment.

SOAR gave away over 25 motivational books to people who were looking for motivation and fellowship. We also spent hundreds of hours counseling those looking for guidance.

We helped sponsor two veteran fishing events, two triathlons benefiting veterans, three accessible archery deer hunts, a meet and greet and a decorated disabled veteran pursue breaking the Guinness world record for the number of half Iron Man marathons in a year.

It is our great privilege to assist, empower and provide outdoor accessible equipment, events and opportunities for those with limited mobility and special needs.



2018 SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

\$10,000

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Logo on all literature, website and T-shirts

Logo displayed on event Banner

10 Tickets for Event

\$5,000

Platinum Level Sponsors

Accessible equipment Sponsor

Logo on all literature, website and T-shirts

Logo displayed on event Banner

8 Tickets for Event

\$2,500

Gold Level Sponsors

Logo on all literature, website and T-shirts.

6 Tickets for Event

\$1,000

Silver Level Sponsors

Logo on all literature, website and T-shirts.

4 Tickets for Event

\$500

Bronze Level Sponsors

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2 Tickets for Event