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## **Dance Marathon at the University of North Florida to host bowling tournament**

***Second annual Making Strikes to Make Miracles tournament will be held on January 24<sup>th</sup> at Bowl America on Beach Boulevard.***

November 29, 2011– Dance Marathon at the University of North Florida is hosting its second annual Making Strikes to Make Miracles bowling tournament on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm and First Coast residents are invited to come and join the fun!

This year's event will take place at the Bowl America located at 11141 Beach Boulevard. Teams must consist of five people, and there is a registration fee of \$75.00 per team. There is no limit to the number of teams that a group may have.

Participants will enjoy unlimited bowling throughout the duration of the event, with the first two games counting towards the team's overall score. At the end of the night, the team with the highest score will win a prize. The event will also include a visit from special guests, more specifically Miracle Children, who have been treated at either Shands Jacksonville or Wolfson Children's Hospital, will also share their stories throughout the evening to motivate the participants.

Dance Marathon's sole function is supporting Children's Miracle Network Hospitals of Jacksonville/Brunswick. Funds raised by the University-sponsored event are used to purchase critically needed medical equipment, child life resources and educational materials.

Since Dance Marathon at the University of North Florida's inception, the students have successfully raised over \$75,000 for the cause.

To register for the event, or for any additional questions, please contact Kelly Novak at 904-244-9337 or by email at [Kelly.Novak@jax.ufl.edu](mailto:Kelly.Novak@jax.ufl.edu).

### **About the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals**

Children's Miracle Network is dedicated to improving the health and welfare of all children by raising funds and awareness for the pediatric programs at Shands Jacksonville and Wolfson Children's Hospital. The founding principle of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals is that the funds raised stay in the community to improve the healthcare for local children.

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