

# BUDDY MCKEEL SCHOLARSHIP FOR CHILDREN OF FIRST RESPONDERS



BMS Newsletter

March 2023

## Welcome to our newsletter!

We are excited to welcome you to our new quarterly newsletter. This outreach will allow us to share all of the BMS events and show you how your donations are impacting the lives of Carteret County children. We cannot thank you enough for the love and support of Buddy, his family, and our organization.

The 2023 scholarship window is currently open. Do you know a Carteret County senior who is the child of a first responder? If so, please send them to our website for all application materials. The website is [www.buddymckeelscholarship.org](http://www.buddymckeelscholarship.org). We will be presenting the scholarships in May.

*"We have been forever changed in the greatest way for having done Fins and Feathers.. We will take care of Buddy's legacy and his family and we will do so with the same frame of mind we had for this event. Let Love be our guide and thank God we can. Grow, Eat, Shop, The Ultimate Buddy System Forever, LOCAL ."*

*- Mindy Ballou Fitzpatrick  
The Friendly Market*



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1st Annual Buddy McKeel Scholarship  
for Children of First Responders

**Fins and Feathers**  
Fundraiser  
"The Ultimate Buddy System"

SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2022  
6:00-8:00 PM

ONE HARBOR CHURCH  
1605 Fisher Street, Morehead City, NC

TICKETS - \$50.00

\*\*LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE FRIENDLY MARKET\*\*

► RAFFLE ► SILENT AUCTION ► BMS APPAREL

DINNER PROVIDED BY **The Friendly Market**  
GROW. EAT. SHOP. LOCAL.



**Fins and Feathers**  
Fundraiser

► SILENT AUCTION ►

AUCTION ITEMS INCLUDE

BASK HOTEL, MOREHEAD CITY  
BEAUFORT PARASAILING  
DECOYS BY DANIEL NICHOLSON  
EJW OUTDOORS  
KIM BALLENTINE  
KYLE DIXON  
MAKEUP BY KACYN  
MONKEES OF MOREHEAD CITY  
MOORE'S BARBEQUE  
MUSEUM OF LIFE AND SCIENCE, DURHAM, NC  
NANTAHALA OUTDOOR CENTER  
PROPERTY POINT OUTFITTERS  
RIG EM RIGHT  
ROUGH POINT CRAB POT CREATIONS  
SARAH JAMES REDFISH TOURNAMENT  
SPORTS CENTER  
TEAM SEA DRAG'N CHARTERS

AND MORE

► SHOTGUN RAFFLE ►



BUDDY MCKEEL SCHOLARSHIP  
SHOTGUN RAFFLE  
SUPER BLACK EAGLE 3 SHOTGUN  
GORE OPTIFADE MARSH  
SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2022 AT 7:30 PM  
ONE HARBOR CHURCH  
1605 FISHER STREET, MHC, NC  
TICKET COST: \$20.00 (1 IN 300 CHANCE TO WIN)  
Drawing at Fins and Feathers Fundraiser - Winner not required to be present

Contact Gary McKeel at  
ECI Communications to get your tickets.  
109-A Riggs Road, Morehead City, NC.  
252-240-3524

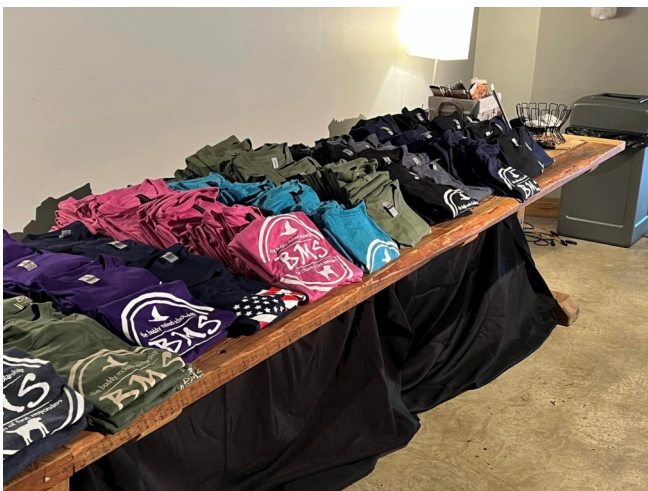
► (2) CALCUTTA COOLER RAFFLES ►

(TICKETS AVAILABLE AT EVENT)  
CALCUTTA RENEGADE 35 COOLER  
50 LBS OF FRESH LOCAL SHRIMP  
5 LBS FRESH LOCAL CRAB MEAT  
ASSORTMENT OF OTHER RELATED ITEMS  
(2) BMS HATS  
(2) BMS TSHIRTS

## Fins and Feathers

Words cannot express our gratitude to Matt and Mindy Fitzpatrick, The Friendly Market team, One Harbor Church, and all of our auction donors for helping to make our first annual Fins and Feathers fundraiser such a success. In total, we raised over \$22,000 for BMS.

Thank you to all who attended, purchased items at the silent auction or BMS merchandise and those that prayed for its success.



## First Annual Dove Hunt

On Saturday, September 10, 2022, we hosted our first annual BMS Dove Hunt. We sold tickets to a private hunt and served lunch sponsored by El's in Morehead City.

It was a great success and a fun way to honor Buddy and his love of hunting. We will be hosting this event again this year so stay tuned for details.



## 2022 BMS Scholarship Recipients

Annsley Fulcher  
Latecyia Johnson  
Austin Odom  
Addison Brock  
Grace Fulcher  
Harleigh Brooks  
Al Morris III  
Adam Matas



**Congratulations  
to our first class  
of BMS winners!**

With your generous donations, we were able to provide \$24,500 in scholarships to these deserving children of first responders in Carteret County. These students are all wonderful examples of leadership and will make an incredible impact on their community.

# Donor Appreciation

This wouldn't be possible without the love and support of our incredible donors:

Bill & Sherry Humphreys  
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Frankie & Christie Fulcher  
Lewis & Associates Builders  
E&S Seamless Gutters  
El's Drive-In  
Brent Bunn

## Contact Us

If you would like to make a donation or if you would like more information please use the following:

### BMS

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**Morehead City, NC 28557**

(252 ) 808-5104

[buddymckeelscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:buddymckeelscholarship@gmail.com)

Visit us on the web at  
[www.buddymckeelscholarship.org](http://www.buddymckeelscholarship.org)

PayPal: [@buddymckeelscholarship](#)



**Thank you Shooters Sporting Center and Tom Gormley for the Benelli SBE shotgun which raised over \$4000 for BMS!**