

7th Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps 2nd Annual Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser - 2008

Welcome to the 2nd Annual Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser. The Bowl-A-Thon will take place on Saturday evening of the April Camp. We will take a few hours away from our camp schedule to have a little fun, and at the same time, raise some money for the corps.

This fundraiser is required as a condition of membership in the corps. Each member is expected to raise \$100 on this event. Anything beyond the \$100 may be applied directly toward your membership fees, if you wish. We expect every member to participate in this fundraiser. If you do not participate, or you do not raise enough money, you will be assessed additional fees up to the \$100 required for this event.

OK, here's how it works...

Using the Pledge Sheet, go out and ask family members, friends, neighbors, teachers, and businesses, to pledge money toward you to bowl. Explain that this is a fundraiser to help raise money for the corps' operating expenses. Explain to them that we are a non-profit organization, who is not sponsored by a town or city, and we raise all of our money through fundraisers, donations, grants, etc. Also, tell them how much it means to you to be involved in this unique activity.

The pledge can be "**per pin**" or a "**flat rate**".

The **per pin** pledge is based on the number of pins you knock down in 2 games. So, if someone pledges 5 cents per pin, and you knock down 200 pins, they would owe \$10.00. By the way, 200 is the minimum score you would get credit for, even if you bowled below that. Now, if you were a pretty good bowler, and you bowled 150 & 165, your total would be 315 for the 2 games. For the same 5 cent pledge, you would collect \$15.75 (do the math). Let the person know how good a bowler you are so they have an idea of what they will be paying. After we have the bowl-a-thon, you will have to go back and collect the money from each donor. Got it ...Good!

The **flat rate** donation is much easier. The person just donates a certain amount, as an example \$10, toward you to participate in the event. This is more convenient, because they know exactly what the donation is, and they pay it up-front. This way you don't have to go back and collect from them.

The day of the bowl-a-thon, we will collect your pledge sheets and any flat rate donations that you have collected. After we finish bowling, someone will fill in your score, and give the sheet back to you for collection of the per pin pledges. The money should be collected immediately and turned in at the next camp.

So that's all there is to it! You don't have to pay for the bowling. We have arranged a price with the bowling alley for bowling, shoes, pizza, and soda. The corps will pay for that, and it will come off of the profit from the event. They will also have a D.J. and strobe light show the whole time we are bowling. It will be a fun time! So do your best to make this fundraiser a success!