

July 30, 2012

To Commissioner Quintanilla:

Please accept this is our formal request to use the Delta Lake Park on September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012, for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ride for Autism and BBQ Cookoff.

Our two previous events were held at a location in Elsa but we have grown and feel that Delta Lake Park is the perfect location. We have averaged about 1,500 people in attendance within our two-day event and feel that this year we will definitely exceed that. We are aware that the park has their entrance fee to the park, we would like to charge a total of \$5.00 per car. Also, we would like to offer the public free admission on Saturday if they pay on Friday. This is to motivate the public to return on Saturday for the main events.

This event is being presented by the Villistas Motorcycle Club - Edinburg. This event was started, in part, to provide awareness about Autism to the surrounding communities. 100% of the proceeds go to one or more local non-profit organizations dedicated to improving the lives of children with ASD's (Autism Spectrum Disorders).

Our event has several activities but the main activity is the BBQ Cookoff. This Cookoff has brought an average of 30 teams each year. Teams come for all over the Valley and even as far as Corpus Christi. Teams begin to arrive on Friday and usually depart Saturday evening, with a couple of teams staying until Sunday morning. They provide their own electricity. Some teams do bring RV's.

Another activity is the Autism Activities for the children affected with ASD's and their families. These activities will take place on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1:30 at the pavilion. During this time we have health organizations (doctors, therapists, etc) providing pamphlets and other educational information.

Some of the other activities planned for these two days are: Little Miss September Pageant, paintball, roller derby, wrestling, boxing, trail riders, car and bike show. We will also have live music and both food and merchandise vendors.

We are also requesting to sell alcohol at our event. We are willing to comply with any of the parks requirements to make this possible. We will make this a safe and successful event by any means possible.

We are currently working on a rendering that we will have available when we are scheduled to go before Commissioner's Court.

Should you have any questions or need any further information please do not hesitate to call me at (956) 262-7106 or (956) 246-0364. We will have an itinerary and rendering available for all necessary parties for Commissioner's Court.

Thank You.



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