

Center where she worked with adults for 35 years, Branaugh now visits the homes of those who need help with parenting such as pregnant moms and working families.

“We feel parents are the first teachers,” said Branaugh. “We have been very successful over the years.”

As a Parents As Teachers board member as well as a veteran disc golfer, Bailey wanted to organize a fundraiser that would assist the general programming costs of Parents As Teachers such as salary, supplies, etc. He came up with the idea to use his love for the sport to put together a tournament fundraiser since such an event had never been done before. Upon gaining this idea, he began organizing the tournament. Those interested in the tournament could pay a \$20 “Early Bird” entry fee per team or \$30 per team after July 22nd. Players could also purchase \$5, \$12, and \$20 raffle tickets for a chance to win an AX15 Grip Bag for their discs.

The tournament consisted of two divisions: the advanced division where the top two teams would receive a cash payout of \$150 for first place and \$40 for second place; and a recreational division where the team that placed first would receive disc prizes and their cash back, and the team that placed second would just receive disc prizes.

The turnout for the event was better than expected. “We were pleased with what happened the first year,” said Bailey. “Everyone wants an organized tournament.” Bailey also says that part of the reason for such a good turnout was due to the



Deanna Branaugh (left) is the educator and coordinator for Parents As Teachers, and Jesse Bailey (right) is the executive director for Big Friend Little Friend. Bailey's idea for a disc golf tournament fundraiser was a good benefit for the Parents As Teachers organization.

fact that people knew the tournament was a fundraiser.

Bailey plans to continue hosting the event every year with a new bracket being added for next year. The *Just For Fun* bracket will consist of those who wish to play a fun, casual game of disc golf with their families (which is exactly what disc should be about).

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