

Your Community Paper

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Sam Bomar Night at the Diamond Jaxx was held Friday, July 23rd as a way to celebrate the life of the son of Hugh and Rayna Bomar, who died on Tuesday, May 4, 2010. This was the first annual event, with funds raised benefiting The Sam Bomar Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Fund has been established at First Bank through the West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation.

A Diamond Jaxx event was a fitting way to remember Sam's life, as the Bomars have had season tickets since the Jaxx's inaugural year in 1998, when Sam was in kindergarten. Sam loved baseball, and going to the game with family and friends was something he always enjoyed. The night of July 23rd was indeed a celebration of his life, with a pre-game concert coordinated by Jake Frye consisting of many of Sam's friends. Attendance at the game was a reflection of the closeness of our community, as it was a great turnout. Sam's church youth group at Fellowship Bible Church worked concessions, and information and sign-up was available for the 5k Run/Walk held at Pringles Park the next morning. Post-game, attendees were treated to a concert by JUSTICE, a local rock band.

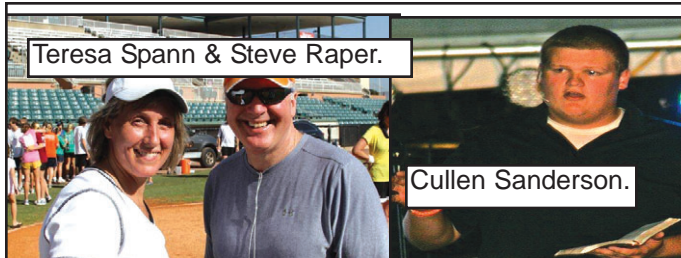
The following morning at 8am, runners and walkers headed out for the Sam Bomar Memorial 5k. Participants received a goody bag and t-shirt, and even Smoothie King smoothies waiting for them at the finish line. Everyone had a wonderful time gathering and remembering Sam by showing their participation in this worthy cause. People who knew and loved Sam from his time at Madison, St. Mary's, his church, scouts (both he and his father were Eagle Scouts), and from his parents' involvement in the community all came out to honor his short but exuberant life. Planning for next year's event is already underway, and tentatively scheduled for June 2011.

The Sam Bomar Memorial Scholarship will be provided each year for one Madison senior and one for a senior in one of the other high schools in Madison County (both public and private). It will be awarded to a student who has a public service major such as education, law enforcement, criminal justice, social work, or Christian service. Sam intended to major in criminal justice. The idea is to help and encourage a student who intends to make the world a better place. For more information on donating to the scholarship fund please contact the West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation or raynabomar@gmail.com or if you are a student interested in applying for the scholarship, please contact your high school guidance counselor.

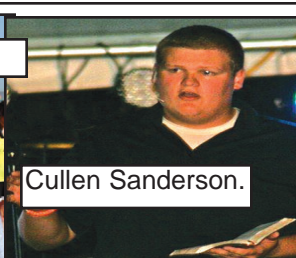
Celebrating the Life of Sam Bomar



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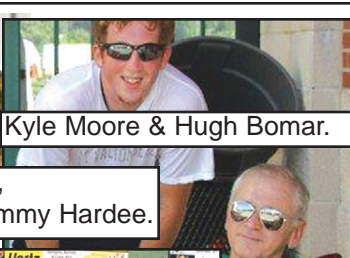
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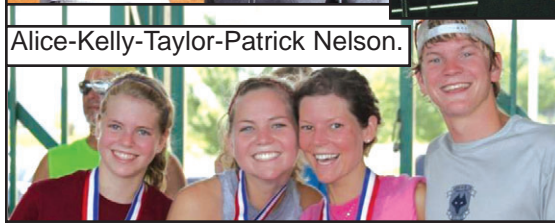
Katherine Hardee, Rayna Bomar,
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Kyle Moore & Hugh Bomar.



Angela Snider & Jamie Pledger.



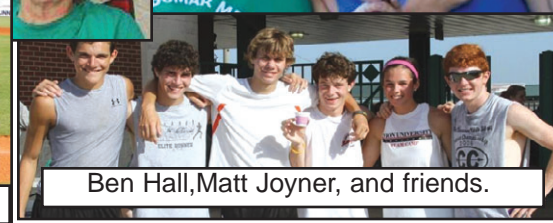
Alice-Kelly-Taylor-Patrick Nelson.



John Raper, Will Garner



Ted & Tricia Nelson Family.



Ben Hall, Matt Joyner, and friends.