host a PUZZLE PALOOZA EVENT

Puzzle Palooza is an exciting event featuring jigsaw and word puzzle challenges for teams of all skill levels. Compete for prizes and enjoy a night of friendly competition!

how it works

- 1.Set a Fundraising Goal & Budget: Determine your fundraising target and create a detailed budget for supplies.
- 2. Ticket Pricing: Decide on ticket prices. Decide on a ticket price per person and for a whole table. It's recommended to do 4 people per table.
- 3. Meal Planning: Plan the meal. A cost effective meal could be pulled pork, mac-n-cheese, cole slaw, and chips. Include drink options like water, iced tea, and lemonade, plus coffee.

4. Dessert Options:

- Individual desserts: Cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc., sold individually.
- Dessert Auction: Whole desserts auctioned off.
- 5. Puzzle Selection:
 - Speed Round: 48-piece jigsaw puzzles (from Dollar Tree). Allow 5-10 minutes.
 - 300-piece puzzle: Allot 1 hour.
 - Word Puzzles: Word Scramble, Crossword, and Rebus puzzles (found online).
- 6. Prizes: Prepare prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.
- 7. Swag Table: Prepare items for sale, such as t-shirts, hats, and tumblers.
- 8. Volunteer Recruitment & Assignment:
 - Food Servers (3+)
 - Judges (4)
 - Dessert Auction Volunteers (2 can also be food servers)
 - Table Runners (4)
 - Registration/Money Takers (2)
 - Emcee (1)

sample schedule:

- 1. Doors Open & Dinner Service: Serve dinner shortly after the doors open.
- Talk about MBCH: About 30 minutes after the doors open, have the emcee explain your MBCH's mission and fundraising needs.
- 3. Puzzle Round 1: Speed Round (48-piece Jigsaw): 5-10 minute time limit.
- 4. Puzzle Round 2: Word Scramble
- 5. Dessert Auction: Auction off whole desserts.
- 6. Puzzle Round 3: 300-piece Puzzle: 1-hour time limit.
- 7. Puzzle Round 4: Rebus Puzzle
- 8. Scoring: Judges tally the points from all rounds.
- 9. Swag & Dessert Sales: While judges tally scores, encourage guests to purchase individual desserts and swag.
- 10. Awards Ceremony: Announce and award prizes to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.

after the event

1. When the event is over, announce that donations can still be made even if people couldn't participate directly in the event.

2. Contact your Regional Representative to make arrangements for pick up (see contact information on back).

3. We love to hear your stories! Send pictures and stories to social.media@mbch.org.

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