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MAGNOLIA FIREFIGHTERS TO 'FILL THE BOOT' FOR MDA

Magnolia, TX, June 2009 — Magnolia firefighters are suiting up for a different kind of fight this June: a fight against more than 43 types of neuromuscular diseases.

On Saturday, June 13th & Sunday, June 14th, Magnolia Fire Department will prepare for battle by standing at intersections in the community, collecting donations in their boots and raising money for “Jerry’s kids” in the Muscular Dystrophy Association’s (MDA) Fill the Boot campaign.

In previous years, Magnolia firefighters raised almost \$7,000, and this year they are determined to beat that for MDA.

Proceeds raised during this campaign also support MDA services and research programs, including MDA’s outpatient clinics at Texas Children’s Hospital and The Methodist Neurological Institute in Houston.

Fill the Boot campaigns are among the primary ways in which firefighters across the country have raised more than \$200 million for MDA’s fight against neuromuscular diseases since 1954.

For more information about the Fill the Boot event, contact the Magnolia Fire Department at (281) 356-3288 or Laurie Orlando with the Muscular Dystrophy Association at 713-522-1536.

MDA is a voluntary health organization working to defeat more than 40 diseases through programs of worldwide research, comprehensive services, and far-reaching professional and public health education.

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