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**Skip Ellenbecker Memorial Golf Outing Celebrates 10 Years Supporting Easter Seals**

Madison – Easter Seals Wisconsin is currently registering teams and corporate sponsors, and accepting raffle donations, for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Skip Ellenbecker Memorial Golf Outing to be held at the Pine Valley Golf Course in Marathon on August 11, 2018. Those not wanting to golf can join for dinner at a separate cost. All proceeds support the Easter Seals Wisconsin FARM program, helping farmers with disabilities continue to farm. The outing will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. A dinner will be held after the outing.

In 2001, Skip Ellenbecker joined the Easter Seals Wisconsin Board of Directors. While Skip supported all of Easter Seals Wisconsin programs, he was particularly passionate about Easter Seals' nationally honored FARM program. The FARM program helps farmers return to or continue farming after a disabling accident or chronic illness. When the program was in its infancy, Skip offered valuable guidance to the FARM staff, and his enthusiasm and ongoing support of the program never faltered.

In 2009, Skip was instrumental in establishing the first Easter Seals golf outing in central Wisconsin, an event which helped support the FARM program. In 2013, Skip passed away. To honor his legacy, the event was renamed the Skip Ellenbecker Memorial Golf Outing, continuing to benefit the FARM program in which he so fervently believed. The event has raised over \$100,000 since its inception.

Thank you to this year's presenting sponsors SD Ellenbecker, Inc. and County Materials. To register or for more information, contact Kris Ackley at 608.237.1370, kackley@eastersealswisconsin.com or visit [www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com](http://www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com)

**About Easter Seals Wisconsin:** For over 90 years, Easter Seals Wisconsin ([www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com](http://www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com)) has provided services that help children and adults with disabilities gain greater independence. Easter Seals' primary services – vocational rehabilitation, respite services, camping and recreation, information and referral, and public education – benefit close to 10,000 individuals with disabilities and their families each year throughout Wisconsin.

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