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RELAY Review

a newsletter for Relay For Life Supporters

Welcome Relay For Life Participants!

On behalf of the American Cancer Society and your local community, we would like to welcome you to the Relay For Life. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is the premier fundraising event in the country. We are raising funds to support our mission and so that no one will ever have to face cancer alone. Involvement with the Relay For Life is an experience unlike any other and an opportunity to honor and remember all those whose lives have been touched by cancer. Relay is about fun, fellowship and making a difference.

2010 Champaign County Relay For Life

Relay For Life of Champaign County has gone through some pretty big changes this "off-season"...and we are ready to share them with you!!

NEW DATE

Saturday, June 12, 2010

NEW TIME

12:00 pm (noon) - 6:00 am

NEW THEME

Pirates of the CUREibbean

Keep reading to meet our NEW event chairs, our NEW ACS Staff Partner and contact information on our Committee Members.



Relay For Life National Website

Relay For Life has a great website where you can learn more about events all over the country, find specific training materials for the committee you work with, and communicate with other Relay participants. If you haven't already done so, check out:

www.relayforlife.org • www.relayforlifeillinois.com

Be sure to mark this site as a "favorite" and resolve to check it frequently throughout the year!

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CURTIS ORCHARD REGISTRATION RALLY

Donuts and cider will be handed out as you learn more about Relay For Life, being a team, committee member, volunteer, etc. If you have been involved in the past, this is a great way to kick off the 2010 Relay Season, and if you are new to Relay, come out and see how you can make a difference in the fight against cancer! Activities will be available until 5:30 pm, so bring the whole family along!

When: October 28, 2009 — 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Where: Curtis Orchard, 3902 S. Duncan Rd., Champaign

If you are unable to attend the Registration Rally and would like information, please visit www.relayforlifechampaign.com or contact Kendra Clark Albers at kendra.clark@cancer.org!

Meet The New Faces of Relay For Life 2010

Meet your NEW event chairs

JUDY RICHARDSON - 44 year old accountant, mother of two daughters and two stepsons. Judy, a two year breast cancer SURVIVOR, lives in Ogden with her boyfriend Greg. Judy's favorite color has always been purple and she started relaying over 14 years ago because her sister asked her to. Besides herself, Judy has 7 people in her family that are either Survivors or have lost their battle along with many friends. Judy relays because she doesn't want anyone else to hear the words, "You Have Cancer."

MICHELLE GRINDLEY - Michelle calls Philo home with her husband Mike and 4 year old daughter Madelyn. Michelle's favorite movie is Lion King and she has a small tattoo of Simba on her ankle :) When not working at Human Kinetics, Michelle enjoys watching Survivor, The Amazing Race, and 90210. Michelle also enjoys scrapbooking and has made that into a part time job by being a Creative Memories Consultant. Michelle was involved with RFL at Illinois State University and with Champaign County for the first time last year. Michelle is looking forward to a great relay season and her main reason to relay is so that her daughter won't have to fight back in the future!

Meet your NEW ACS Staff Partner

KENDRA CLARK ALBERS - Kendra, a University of Illinois alumna, is going into her third Relay Season with the American Cancer Society and this is her first year staffing Champaign County! Kendra has been in the non-profit fundraising sector for almost 6 years and enjoys every minute of it! Coming up on their one year wedding anniversary, Kendra and her husband Jim, currently reside in Champaign with their two beagles - Satchel and Duke.

About Relay For Life

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. At Relay, teams of people camp out at a local high school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Because cancer never sleeps, Relays are overnight events up to 24 hours in length.

Relay began in 1985 when Dr. Gordy Klatt, a colorectal surgeon in Tacoma, Washington, ran and walked around a track for 24 hours to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Since then, Relay has grown from a single man's passion to fight cancer into the world's largest movement to end the disease. Each year, more than 3.5 million people in 5,000 communities in the United States, along with additional communities in 19 other countries, gather to take part in this global phenomenon and raise much-needed funds and awareness to save lives from cancer. Thanks to Relay participants, we are creating a world with more birthdays a world where cancer can't claim another year of anyone's life.

Anyone can participate in Relay For Life. Friends, families, neighbors, classmates, sports teams, etc., can form their own teams. No matter who you are, there's a place for you at Relay For Life.

**Have an
Upcoming Fundraiser?
Let us know and we'll include
it in the next newsletter!**



As a community event, Relay fulfills a need for belonging that we all have. It also creates a sense of community by bringing people together in a moving and fun atmosphere, with sufficient time for cultivating relationships. The event is volunteer-driven, with Society staff coaching the volunteers. There is a true partnership between volunteers and staff.

RELAY FOR LIFE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY 2010 CALENDAR

Committee Meetings: 5:30 pm

November 12, 2009
January 7, 2010
February 11, 2010
March 11, 2010
April 15, 2010
May 13, 2010
June 3, 2010



Team Meetings: 7:00 pm

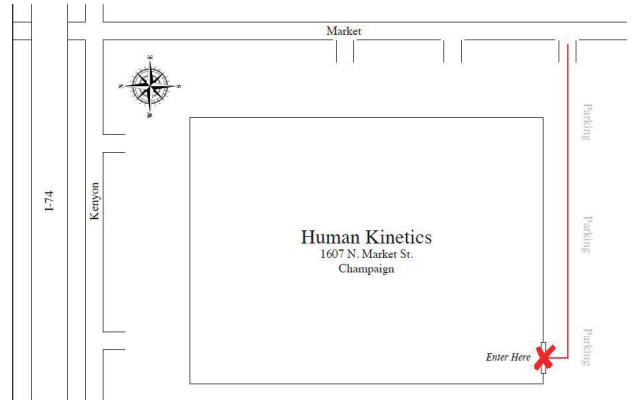
October 28, 2009 (*Halloween Registration Rally*)*
January 14, 2010 (*Kickoff*)
February 11, 2010
March 11, 2010
April 15, 2010
May 13, 2010
June 3, 2010



Meeting Location: Human Kinetics,
1607 N. Market St., Champaign
Enter through South door
*Meeting at Curtis Orchard

Other Dates

June 12, 2010 - 12:00 pm - 6:00 am - Relay For Life
July 1, 2010 - Wrap Up



HELP WANTED

Several positions open with community based organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service. No prior experience necessary. Flexible hours. Low (no) pay. Great group to work with. Company has annual all-night party the end of June (families and friends invited). Apply by contacting Kendra Clark Albers, Michelle Grindley, or Judy Richardson.

Available Committee Positions

Entertainment, Food, Luminaria, Sponsorship, Survivorship, Team Development, Decorations, Recognition, Shop for HOPE, Publicity, Fundraising, Day of Event

Come to the next Committee Meeting on November 12, 2009 and check things out

Support  of Champaign County

Get Your Haircut!

Kristin Dietrich, a hairstylist who works out of Sculpt Hair Studio, will be donating her time and skills by offering haircuts for \$20.00 from November 8th through November 14th.

100% of this money will be donated to the American Cancer Society!!! Appointments must be scheduled! Book your appointment today at www.KristinDietrich.com or call 217-552-9184.

Sculpt is located at 2001 Round Barn Rd, Suite B, just off the intersection of Springfield & Mattis in Champaign.

Questions about this event? Please call Michelle at 217-979-2265.

Relay for Life is the signature fundraising event for the American Cancer Society. For more information about Relay for Life of Champaign County, please visit relayforlifechampaign.com or call 217-356-9076.

For information about the American Cancer Society, please visit cancer.org or call 217-356-9076



After dark, we honor people who have been touched by cancer and remember loved ones lost to the disease during the Luminaria Ceremony. Candles are lit inside bags filled with sand, each one bearing the name of a person touched by cancer, and participants often walk a lap in silence. As people take time to remember, those who have walked alongside others battling cancer can grieve and find healing. This is a time that truly highlights the importance of defeating this disease.

Our Mission

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

By 2015, the American Cancer Society is dedicated to significantly reduc-

ing mortality from cancer, incidence of cancer and improving quality of life for cancer patient and their families. We will accomplish this through:

Research – Currently, the Illinois Division supports research grants totaling more than \$20 million in facilities located in Illinois.

Education – The Society is educating people of all ages about healthy

lifestyles through programs such as the Great American Smokeout, Workplace Solutions and Great American Health Check.

Advocacy – Your American Cancer Society government relations department is a leader in advocating and enacting public policies consistent with our mission.

Service – The American Cancer Society is available to provide cancer support through many volunteer-based programs including Road to Recovery and Reach to Recovery.

2010 Relay For Life Committee

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American Cancer Society Resources

Along with implementing the American Cancer Society mission, we are here to help cancer patients and all those touched by cancer. There are many information services and support programs available in communities across the country – completely free of charge. These services include:

1.800.ACS.2345 – Trained cancer information specialists are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer questions about cancer, link callers with resources in their communities and give information about local events.

www.cancer.org – This user-friendly site includes a cancer resource center with indepth information on every major type of cancer, as well as an e-mail service to answer your cancer questions

*American Cancer Society
 Eastern Region,
 Illinois Division, Inc.
 2509 S. Neil St.
 Champaign, Illinois 61820*

217.356.9076
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Relay For Life is conducted not simply to raise funds, but to involve new communities, give the Society a local presence, and provide communities the opportunity to own the mission.

OTHER REGIONAL AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY EVENTS

Clark County	June 5, 2010	www.relayforlifeclark.com
Clay County	June 11, 2010	www.relayforlifeclay.com
Coles County	September 18, 2010	www.relayforlifecoles.com
Crawford County	June 18, 2010	www.relayforlifecrawford.com
Douglas County	June 12, 2010	www.relayforlifedouglas.com
Edgar County	August 7, 2010	www.relayforlifedgar.com
Effingham County	July 9, 2010	www.relayforlifeeffingham.com
Fayette County	June 5, 2010	www.relayforlifefayette.com
Ford County	June 5, 2010	www.relayforlifeford.com
Iroquois County	June 11, 2010	www.relayforlifeiroquois.com
Jasper County	June 11, 2010	www.relayforlifejasper.com
Lawrence County	June 19, 2010	www.relayforlifelawrence.com
Piatt County	May 22, 2010	www.relayforlifepiatt.com
Shelby County	August 6, 2010	www.relayforlifeshelby.com
Vermilion County	June 19, 2010	www.relayforlifevermilion.com
University of Illinois	April 23, 2010	www.relayforlifeuofi.com
Mahomet-Seymour	April 9, 2010	www.relayforlifemshs.com
Eastern Illinois University	April 16, 2010	www.relayforlifeuiu.com
Cumberland County	July 23, 2010	www.relayforlifecumberland.com
Moultrie County	June 18, 2010	
Strides	October 16, 2010	
Determination	May 1, 2010	
Richland Walk & Roll	May 22, 2010	

ATTENTION TEAM CAPTAINS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR POSSIBLE MEMBERS

Join Us at the Holiday Inn Express In Urbana on November 7, 2009 10:00am - 4:00pm for Relay Academy. Relay Academy is designed to help Relay for Life to reach its potential. You will receive the tools needed to make Relay a success. Don't miss this opportunity to network with other volunteers, learn more about relay and share your ideas. Attend workshops on the American Cancer Society, specific positions on the committee, build your current skills or develop new skills. Lunch is provided. Please register by emailing Stephanie.Bonk@cancer.org to reserve a lunch.



At Relay, you can find healing, comfort, and support from others who have faced cancer or who have lost a loved one to the disease. You have a chance to meet people in the community who are equally as passionate about finding an end to cancer in our lifetime.

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RELAY!

FUNdraising:

Each participant is encouraged to set a fundraising goal of \$100 or more. Contact your Relay Committee for easy “FUNdraising” ideas or visit www.relayforlife.org

Team & Participant

Registration:

All those who participate in the event must register online or turn in a paper team roster for the event. If you need assistance in the registration process, contact your Relay Committee or Staff partner.

T-shirts:

Each participant who raises \$100 will receive an event t-shirt.

Teams:

The Relay For Life is a team event and the general public is encouraged to attend.

Overnight:

It is encouraged for each team to have one member on the track at all times during the event. Prizes are often given for those who are walking.

Activities:

The Relay For Life is an overnight event filled with fun and entertaining activities. Each event has exciting activities in which your team can get involved.

Website:

www.relayforlifechampaign.com

2010 Theme:

Pirates of the CUREibbean

Luminaria:

In Champaign County, you can purchase a luminaria bag to honor someone who has cancer or has lost their fight to cancer. We also honor caregivers with purple luminaria bags. More details are on the luminaria forms that can be obtained from a committee member, team captain, event website or by calling the American Cancer Society at 217-356-9076.



Collection Envelope:

All participants will receive a Participant Collection Envelope to collect the donations they receive. Participants are also asked to turn in their donations raised to your team captain and the team captain will turn into the American Cancer Society. Please turn cash and coin into a cashiers check.

Survivors:

The American Cancer Society invites anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer to be our Special Guests for the event. A Celebration in honor of our Survivors is held during the Relay.

Caregivers:

A Caregiver is an important part of the lives of those touched by cancer.

What to Bring:

Here are a few suggestions of items that you may want to bring with you, remember you will be “Relaying” overnight and the weather may fluctuate: tent, lawn chairs, sleeping bags, extra clothing, hat, sunscreen, toiletries, flashlights, campsite decorations, snacks and drinks, umbrella and friends and family!

On-site Fundraising:

Teams are encouraged to raise funds during the event with on-site fundraising. Contact your team captain or the Relay Committee to find out how to participate.

Luminaria:

Each participant is encouraged to collect donations for Luminaria prior to and during the event. Luminarias are donated “In Honor of” those who have faced cancer. Please fill out an order form (available through your team captain) for each luminaria donation received. Please keep Luminaria donations separate from general donations. The Luminaria ceremony is a very emotional and moving ceremony of hope and remembrance.

Sponsorship:

Corporate sponsorship of the Relay For Life event is available. If you are part of a company that would be interested in contributing as an “Event Sponsor” or if you would like to be a “Team Sponsor,” please contact your American Cancer Society or your local Relay Committee.

CELEBRATE

REMEMBER

FIGHT BACK



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Relay For Life of Champaign County

www.relayforlifechampaign.com to register online.

Saturday, June 12 - 13, 2010 12:00 pm - 6:00 am

Centennial High School, Champaign, IL

Team Registration Form 2010

It saves money when you register online, but if you do not have internet access or prefer to register by mail, please print the information below and include your registration fee (check payable to the American Cancer Society). Mail or Fax to:

Kendra Clark Albers - ACS, Eastern Region Office
2509 S. Neil St.
Champaign, IL 61820
kendra.clark@cancer.org

Team Number: _____ (Team # will be assigned by ACS Office)

IMPORTANT: Have you registered your team online? Yes No Are You Fundraising online? Yes No

Are you a: New Team: _____ Returning Team: _____ Youth Team: _____

*If returning, what was your last team # _____ Last captain's name: _____

Our Team Name is: _____

Organization/Business Name: _____

Our Team Captain is: _____

Team Captain e-mail: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Preferred Phone: (circle) home work cell Number: _____ Other Phone: _____

Race/Ethnicity: African-American Hispanic Native American Pacific Islander Asian Caucasian Other

Caregiver: Yes No Cancer Survivor: Yes No Diagnosis Date: _____

Our Co-Captain is: _____

Co-Captain e-mail: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Preferred Phone: (circle) home work cell Number: _____ Other Phone: _____

Race/Ethnicity: African-American Hispanic Native American Pacific Islander Asian Caucasian Other

Caregiver: Yes No Cancer Survivor: Yes No Diagnosis Date: _____

Our Team Affiliation is: Youth Family/Friends School City/Government

Corporation Health Care Church Civic Club/Organization

Our Team Fundraising Goal: _____

I agree to recruit up to 15 team members to join me in the fight against cancer. I understand that everyone on my team is required to raise a minimum of \$100 per person to participate. I agree to complete and turn in my roster by May 1. If I am unable to complete my roster I will notify the American Cancer Society no later than May 1.

Captain's Signature:

Co-Captain's Signature:

Team Registration Fee: \$50 per team of 15 people for the month of November.
(Hurry and register now as registration fees will increase closer to Relay For Life, June 12, 2010.)

Registration Received on: _____ Check #: _____

ARR, SO YE BE WANTIN' T' GO
AND JOIN OUR CREW!
WE BE WALKIN' FOR HOPE AND CURE
AND NOT WALKIN' THE PLANK.



PIRATES OF THE CUREIBBEAN
2010 RELAY FOR LIFE
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
JUNE 12, 2010 • 12:00 PM - 6:00 AM
CHAMPAIGN CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Start a team, join a team, join our committee, volunteer.
See how you can get involved.

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