



TEAM TALK

Up to Date Information for Relay For Life of Harnett County Team Captains

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American Cancer Society's 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."

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...all day, every day

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...in your community

Did You Know?

- *Relay For Life of Harnett County was awarded the Mission Delivery Award in Region 4. We were chosen out of 58 Relays in East Carolina as having the best mission delivery at our Relay for our Onsite Skin Cancer Screening.*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

TO Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital and the Cancer Center, Dr. Brent Ellmers, Dr. Manuel Lopez, and Dr. Rao. We couldn't have done it without your help!

TEAMS TAKE YOUR PLACE...ON YOUR MARK GET SET GO!

Twenty-one teams were represented at the first Team Captain Meeting on Thursday, January 19th. Fun was had by all as we met new Relay friends. There were a lot of new faces in the crowd excited about getting started with Relay For Life. If you weren't able to attend but need a team captain packet, please contact Kassie Taylor at spragueeditions@mindspring.com or Nancy Wright at nwright@harnett.org.

NEW AND EXCITING ADDITIONS TO RELAY FOR LIFE OF HARNETT COUNTY

1. **ONLINE REGISTRATION AND WEBSITE SERVICES:** This is so exciting! This year we say goodbye to our old scannable forms (YEAH!!!) and say hello to online registration. Paula Stewart, our Website Services Chair, gave a brief training on how to use this newest tool.

This year you can register all your team right at the touch of your own computer. No need to worry about scannable forms written in the wrong color ink or filled out incorrectly. We have a generic form individuals on your team can complete and give to you so you can input the information or you can have your team members register online themselves if you prefer. Below are instructions on how to get started.

TEAM CAPTAINS MUST REGISTER FIRST. Team Captains must register first to establish your team. After the Team Captain has registered the team, Participants can register themselves by clicking on the team name and following the steps to register.

TO REGISTER Team Captains:

- ✓ Go to www.acsevents.org/relay/harnett
- ✓ Click on Sign Up Here (left hand side)
- ✓ Select "I agree"
- ✓ Select "Start a Team"
- ✓ Fill in information and click CONTINUE (**you must check the box to accept new team members so participants can join your team**)
- ✓ Fill in your information and click continue. This will take you through the rest of the registration process.
 - Under Fees you will have the option to pay your \$10 registration (which pays for your t-shirt) by credit card or check. If you pay by check, you will need to turn the \$10 into Accounting at the next Team Captain's meeting.

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WE ARE LOOKING FOR AN
ADVOCACY CHAIR. If anybody is
interested in finding out more
information about this position,
please contact Kassie at
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TO REGISTER Participants/Team Members:

- ✓ Go to www.acsevents.org/relay/harnett
- ✓ Click on "Sign Up Here" (left hand side)
- ✓ Select "I agree"
- ✓ Select "Join a Team"
- ✓ Scroll down and choose the team you want to join and click CONTINUE
- ✓ Fill in your information and click CONTINUE. This will take you through the rest of the registration process.
 - Under FEES, you will have the option to pay your \$10 registration (which pays for your t-shirt) by credit card or check. If you pay by check, you will need to collect the \$10 check from your participant and turn into Accounting at the next Team Captain's Meeting.

**Information provided through registration is confidential. The American Cancer Society is pleased to say we do not sell, exchange, or rent the names of our donors/event participants to any other organization.

2. **KIDS WALK AT RELAY:** In an effort to reach all ages in our fight against cancer we will hold our first Kid's Walk on Saturday morning of Relay. Kids (K-5th grade) will have an opportunity to register to participate with a \$5 registration fee and raise a minimum of \$25 for Relay. Each child participating will receive a special Kid's Relay T-Shirt and participate in a special kid's walk and activities throughout Saturday morning. More details to come at the February meeting. Kassie, Nancy, and Jessica will be attending a special workshop early February on putting this event together. Jessica is also looking for volunteers to help in the planning of the event... if you are interested in lending a few ideas and hands, please contact Jessica at pekarje7@earthlink.net.
3. **LUMINARY TORCHES AVAILABLE THIS YEAR:** This year we will introduce a new item available to honor or memorialize your loved ones. Teekee torches will be able to be purchased in honor or in memory of individuals who have fought or lost their battle with cancer. The cost will be \$100. Individuals who purchase the torches will have an opportunity to compose words to be put on a sign that will be placed in front of the torch. Torches will be set up in a designated area at the field. Money raised when selling torches WILL NOT go towards your team total but will go into our luminary sales.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Several fundraising opportunities were discussed at the team captain meeting.

- 1) Mary Kay Products – The team captains were presented with an opportunity to raise money for Relay For Life. A local Mary Kay representative will give 20% of all her profits to the Relay For Life team that hosts a Mary Kay party. Contact Kassie at spragueeditions@mindspring.com for more information.

Ribbon Cookie Cutters - Patty Taylor introduced a cookie cutter in the shape of a cancer ribbon. Teams from other Relays have used these to make cookies and sell for a fundraiser. Another idea was to use the ribbon cookie cutters to make pancakes in the morning. For more information on how to get your own ribbon shaped cookie cutters, contact Patty Taylor at patricia.taylor@ncmail.net.