

Walk for Hope 2023

Gateway Christian School Football Field Instructions

Two main reasons for this fundraiser: **Raise money** to help Chaves County residents going through cancer treatment and **honor cancer survivors!**

- **SAFETY IS OUR BIGGEST CONCERN: PLEASE COOPERATE WITH THE COMMITTEE WHEN ASKED.** SECURITY will be onsite to help keep us all safe. THEY WILL BE SET UP AT THE NORTH and SOUTH GATE ENTRANCES AND STATIONED THROUGHOUT THE PARK. NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL ALLOWED IN THE PARK AT THIS EVENT!!
- **REQUIRED: ALL TEAM CAPTAINS MUST CHECK IN AT THE ENTRANCE.** (If you are not with a team and are just coming to enjoy the evening, we ask that you check in at the registration table.) Please do not set up first and then check in because you may be asked to move. Sponsors have assigned areas and there is space available for everyone. You will be given instructions on how to set up and where to go at the time you check in. Walk for Hope Programs will be available at this time so you don't miss any of the evenings activities.
- **MANDATORY Registration Fee: \$20 per person – SURVIVORS ARE FREE BUT ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER**
- **TAKE NOTE: THE TIME TO DRIVE IN AND SET UP YOUR TEAM SITES WILL ONLY BE FROM 12:00M-3:00PM.** WE WILL ALLOW YOU TO DRIVE YOUR VEHICLE IN with an escort AND **DROP OFF** ALL OF YOUR SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT. This is due to safety reasons! Again, Security will be posted at both the north and south gates and you won't be allowed through otherwise. Only emergency vehicles! **NO VEHICLES ALLOWED BACK IN PARK UNTIL 10:00 p.m.!**
- The Registration and information table, Cancer Awareness, Pink items along with other fun items will be available for purchase across from the registration table at the Majestic Four Radio Stations.
- Luminarias can be decorated at the "Sand Trap". Look for large pile of sand and committee members decorating.
- Cancer Support Services will be on hand. They will have information, items for sale and applications for assistance.
- NO GENERATORS OF ANY KIND. NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES. NO OFFENSIVE T-SHIRTS WITH PROFANITY ON THEM.
- **PROPANE GRILLS ONLY – NO CHARCOAL OR WOOD BURNING FIRES, NO FIRE PITS (If you damage the grass you will pay for the damages).** You must let us know at check in if you have a grill. You MUST have a grill drip pan under your grill.
- Food vendors may be available. If you chose not to grill, you may purchase your food and drinks there.
- **UTILITY LINES WILL BE MARKED AND NO ONE CAN DRIVE STAKES THROUGH ANY UTILITY LINE.** Please ask for assistance prior to stake placement and know that if you damage a line you will be responsible to repair it.
- Walk for Hope Committee hopes to have a raffle the night of the event. Bring Cash! Remember, this is a fundraiser!
- TEAMS WILL ALSO BE SELLING ITEMS AND HAVE RAFFLES SO PLEASE LOOK FOR THEM AT THE TEAM SITES. PLEASE HAVE ADEQUATE SIGNAGE SO PEOPLE CAN FIND YOU AND KNOW WHAT YOU ARE SELLING OR RAFFLING. THERE WILL BE SOME AWESOME PRIZES!!
- **The opening ceremonies will commence promptly at 6:00 pm so please start making your way toward the staging area 15 minutes before we begin.** Please leave space between the bleachers and the stage for the motorcycles and entertainment.
- PLEASE CLEAR THE TRACK AT 5:45 PM AS THE MOTORCYCLES PREPARE TO COME IN FOR THE PRESENTATION OF COLORS. PLEASE FOLLOW DIRECTIONS WHEN ASKED.
- **ORANGE CONES AND BARRELS WILL BE IN PLACE TO HELP KEEP THE PATHS CLEAR SO PLEASE PAY ATTENTION AND DON'T BLOCK THE AREA.**
- PLEASE THANK ALL OF OUR SPONSORS, THEY WILL BE LISTED IN THE PROGRAM AND ANNOUNCED DURING THE EVENING.
- **TEAM THAT RAISES THE MOST MONEY:** The team that goes above and beyond and raises the most money will receive a prize!
- **Several WHEELCHAIRS will be available for those not able to walk the full track.** Let's honor them and push them around the track during the first lap! We don't want to leave anyone behind.
- **Speaking of SURVIVORS, they take the first lap and special decorations will be handed out as they start. Those same decorations need to be returned after they complete their lap and get to the survivor area at the NW corner of the field.**
- If you have Luminarias, please make sure you get them back to us. People will look for them as they walk the track. If you need Luminarias please see Kathi or Brittney or email teams@walkforhopechavescounty.com. We need a minimum of 500 to cover

the edge of the track. This year the Luminarias are sponsored by Image That! Scrapbooks and Gifts, 317 N. Main so go buy your supplies. We can decorate them for you or you can decorate them yourself. Turn any luminarias in the day of the event at registration. Please help us to make the Ceremony extra special!

- **BRING LOTS OF CASH!** There are many opportunities to spend and raise lots of money for the Walk, so lots of cash is needed. We also have the capability for you to use your credit cards. We have squares and there will be a 4% service charge each time you use it and there is a \$10 minimum purchase. Fundraisers will be going on all over the park!!! Please visit all of the other teams.
- Bring all of your paper links and chains to the Walk as we will join them together and place them around the fence line. Let's show everyone we are united for the cause.
- **There will be port-a-potties available. Please help us to keep them clean and in working order. If we run out of toilet paper and the trash cans are full, please go to the registration area and let us know. There will be trash cans and bags available throughout the park. PLEASE HELP US KEEP THE PARK CLEAN!!**
- **SMILE PRETTY FOR THE CAMERA!** There will be several photographers out taking photos of everyone. Help them to capture the celebration of the evening.
- **The Committee might be on 4 Wheeler Vehicles during the event so please be aware of them and know they are there to help things go a bit smoother and easier. If you see them coming please move to the side so they can get by.**
- **PARENTS: PLEASE SUPERVISE YOUR CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES AND KNOW THEIR WHEREABOUTS. WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE SAFE! IF YOUR CHILD IS MISSING PLEASE GO TO THE STAGE AND HAVE THEM MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT SO WE CAN FIND THEM IMMEDIATELY!!! IF A CHILD IS LOST, THE PARK WILL BE ON LOCK DOWN AT BOTH EXITS AND NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER OR EXIT UNTIL THE CHILD IS FOUND. DO NOT LEAVE ANY UNATTENDED CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AT THE PARK DURING THE DAY.**
- **PLEASE BE KIND AND BE AWARE OF OTHERS AROUND YOU, IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER THE EVENING WILL GO MUCH SMOOTHER.**
- Please make sure everyone knows your TEAM NAME, we don't want upset Team members the day of the event; not knowing where to go or who they are with.
- **NO DOGS ALLOWED – In prior years we were able to have dogs, however this year due to the location, we cannot have dogs.**
- **ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS ALLOWED AT WALK FOR HOPE, if found to have it on the premises you will be escorted out of the Park immediately by security. NO POPPERS, SHREDDED PAPER OR FIREWORKS. No bicycles or skates, without prior approval from the committee.**
- **PLEASE ASK YOUR TEAM MEMBERS TO BE QUIET AND RESPECTFUL during the Luminaria Service, Cancer Survivor Speaker and Table of Hope.**
- Luminarias will be lit until 9:30pm! At 9:30 a team of people will start collecting the tea lights inside the bags which will be reused. At 9:45, Luminarias will be discarded. If you wish to keep yours, retrieve it prior to that time.
- A HUGE thank you to all of our sponsors, volunteers, team captains and participants!!!!
- **PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL OF YOUR TEAM MEMBERS.**

• **REMEMBER, BE SAFE AND HAVE TONS OF FUN!!!!**

Team Name: _____

Signed By: _____