

Relay News



American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Whitewater News
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President Bush Reauthorizes Early Detection Program for Breast, Cervical Cancers

President Bush signed a bill that reauthorizes an early detection program for breast and cervical cancers, and gives states the option to use Medicaid dollars to treat women diagnosed.

The program has conducted nearly 7 million cancer screenings in total, and this year will offer an estimated 700,000 screenings for low-income and uninsured women.

The law calls for \$275 million in funding over the next five years, an increase over the \$202 million that pays for about one in five eligible women, according to the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN).

Matching Gifts: Increase the Generosity

People choose to give to the ACS because they want to make a meaningful contribution to a cause they believe in.

By matching their generous gifts, your company or workplace can give employees the power to increase the impact of their giving.

Employees appreciate a caring employer who supports a cause they believe to be important. Company support of a common cause, like the mission of the ACS, can help to improve job satisfaction and boost employee morale.

As part of your team fundraising efforts, be sure to check with your company about match gift opportunities for the Relay For Life of Whitewater.

Mission Matters: Research Can we talk about cancer pain?

Since 1954, the ACS has invested almost \$18 million in 57 research projects on cancer pain. The projects have touched on fields as diverse as the molecular pathways of pain to effective communication strategies for cancer patients and their physicians. This and other research has helped the ACS develop the following core principles regarding cancer pain and its treatment:

- Cancer pain can almost always be relieved.
- Controlling cancer pain is part of the overall treatment for cancer.
- Preventing pain from starting or getting worse is the best way to control it.
- Telling the doctor or nurse about pain is not a sign of weakness.
- People who take cancer pain medicines as prescribed by the doctor rarely become addicted to them.
- Side effects from medicines can be managed or often prevented.
- Your body does not become immune to pain medicine. Stronger medicines should not be saved for 'later'.

The first step in developing a plan for addressing cancer pain is effective communication between a cancer survivor and his or her physician. It's a crucial first step that helps patients take advantage of their options for preventing and controlling cancer pain.

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ANNE'S ALLOCATION

Big News from Your Relay Committee: We are moving the Relay!

This year's Relay will be held at the City of Whitewater Cravath Lakefront Park in downtown Whitewater!

We are confident this new site will be a great one for our Relay. In addition to the beauty of the spot, our Relay will be so much more visible to the community that we believe it will really help better publicize our cause. In addition, there will be a much-improved sound system (a perennial problem for us) and LOTS of electricity. We will walk on a path on the sidewalk that circles the park and use the bandstand stage for our entertainment. Of course the park has a great kitchen area as well! There will be lots of space for tents and, due to the parking area, for RVs and Pop-ups too!

Change is always stressful but this change promises to bring lots of good things to our Relay – we will have maps available at the next Team Captain's Meeting on June 25th at Fairhaven Fellowship Hall!

Team Captains at the meeting also voted

For the theme for this year's Relay: Star Light, Star Bright! Wish I Had A Cure Tonight! Now you can start working on campsite decoration ideas!

Our Relay is really getting up to speed.

More information regarding events and ideas are available through our website www.whitewaterrelay.org. Check it out!

Next Team Captains Meeting in Monday June 25th at 6:30 p.m. at Fairhaven Fellowship Hall. See you there!

Anne Griffiths, Chair
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A FEW AUCTION ITEMS

- **Schofield Inn B&B**
- **Wood piece by Berg**
- **Wood piece by T. Miller**
- **2 United Airline Tickets for anywhere in continental U.S.**
- **Milwaukee Admirals Tickets**
- **Warhawk Package**
- **Quilted Wall Hanging**

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QUIP FROM KATHY



In addition to its other healthy properties, green tea may help improve memory and prevent some age-related memory loss.

Bring on the TEA!

Your Editor - Kathy Schumacher



Flocking is taking place. Get your insurance or have someone flocked. Contact Pete's Relay Team!

**PETE'S TIRE RELAY TEAM
HAMBURGER AND BRAT FRY –
IN JULY. MORE DETAILS
LATER!**

IMPORTANT DATES

May 18	'Under the Sea' Fish Fry and Auction
May 21	Relay Leadership Meeting
June 25	Deadline for Registration Fee, T-Shirt Order and Logo
July 4	Relay Float in Parade
July 23	Team Captain Event Info
August 2	Bank Night – Commercial Bank
August 3-4	Relay Fun!!!!

NOTES:

1. Team Captain envelopes still available at Whitewater Family Practice Clinic across from Wal-Mart or call Anne Griffiths at 473-4548 or 473-3664.
2. T-shirt order forms are in your envelope or available from Whitewater Family Practice Clinic – ask for Jessica.
3. Next **Team Captains** Meeting – June 25th at 6:30 p.m. at Fairhaven Fellowship Hall.

**WE NEED BASKETS FOR
THE AUCTION. GET
BASKETS TO FAIRHAVEN
BY MAY 16, 2007!**