

Central Massachusetts Arthritis Walk

Sunday, September 11, 2011



Event Information and Details

Date: Sunday, September 11, 2011

Time: 10:30 am – 2:00 pm

Location: Bancroft School, 110 Shore Drive, Worcester, MA

Participants: 500 anticipated

Web address: www.centralmassarthritiswalk.org

Route: Both 1 mile and 3 mile routes are offered for participant to either walk or run. The 1-mile route is a 2 lap rotation around the sports field at Bancroft School. The 3 mile route begins on Shore Drive, to West street, then Boylston Street, turns right on Grove Street past Indian lake, turns right on Holden Street, and returns back to Shore Drive to the Bancroft School.

About the Event: For over 11years, the Central Massachusetts Arthritis Walk has helped raise awareness and funds to support research and educational programming for those living with the disease. The Central Massachusetts Arthritis Walk is a family event that promotes walking as a healthy activity to maintain bone and joint health, reduce stress and enhance general well being. Our goal is to bring together those living with arthritis in Central Massachusetts, their families, friends and co-workers to provide a community of help and hope. We also seek to increase public awareness about the disease, that it is a disease whose impact on quality of life is severely underestimated and can affect people of all ages, including children and young adults. In addition to the walk route, the event includes a post walk party with food, kids activities, entertainment, a DJ, awards & prizes, sponsor booths and tents, and much more.

2010 Central Massachusetts Arthritis Walk Results

Participants: 400 attendees

Sponsors: Abbott Bioresearch; UMass Memorial; FLEXcon; Charter Communications; Telegram&Gazette; Genentech; Amgen/Wyeth; Arthur Cole Painting Corporation; Walmart; Fallon Clinic; Centocor, Inc.; Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Independent Order of Odd Fellows & Rebekahs; WXLO 104.5FM; Fidelity Co-operative Bank; Millbury Savings Bank; Hometown Bank; Fairlawn Rehabilitation; Ameriprise Financial; Proctor & Gamble; Fletcher, Tilton & Whipple; Commonwealth National Bank; Southbridge Savings Bank; Webster Five Cent Savings Bank.

About the Arthritis Foundation

The Arthritis Foundation is the only nationwide, nonprofit health organization dedicated to helping people take greater control of their arthritis. Our mission is to *improve lives through leadership in the prevention, control and cure of arthritis and related diseases*. We do this by raising funds through our special events which support vital research, fund educational programming, exercise and self help programs, and governmental advocacy initiatives. In 2009, the Arthritis Foundation awarded Massachusetts area hospitals with over 2.3 million dollars for research. We continue to strive to broaden our area of service to bring help and hope to the 1.25 million adults and 5,900 children in Massachusetts living with this disease.

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