

# Circle of Friends Newsletter



[www.circleoffriendsteam.com](http://www.circleoffriendsteam.com)

April Issue

## New Members

**Christy  
Jenkins**

**Heather  
Barrett**

**Brandi  
Daniell**

**Ginger  
(Evans)  
Miranda**

**Christy  
Peels**

**Jill Hall**

**Katrina  
Bailey**

**Leila  
Watson**

**Amy Burns**

**Barbara  
Carnes**

**Marilyn  
Head**

**2009 Team Recruitment Goal 30 Members**  
**We have 38 Members!**

**2009 Team Fundraising Goal \$75,000**  
**We have \$2,100.80!**

## **Why Do You Walk?**

If you have not read the personal stories on our team web page, I encourage you to do that. I also encourage you to write your own story. You can email it to me or Diane Turner (d433@windstream.net). It is great to see why others are inspired to take this journey. We all have our unique stories, yet we all have one thing in common: to find a cure.

Here is why Marilyn Head is going to walk:

*I walk because..... the mere mention of that C word makes me sick. It appeared at our door July 1999. It had first disguised itself as recurring bronchitis, but before long the disguise disappeared to be replaced by the real diagnosis "Cancer." Cancer of the lungs, liver and bones!!! We were stunned because this man had never been sick a day in his life and had his physicals religiously. He would go to work in Atlanta everyday and come back by the office to take his chemo and radiation. He was a fighter, but Feb. 15, 2000 he got his call to go home.*

*Life went on.. although we questioned our ability to do likewise. Once again in August of 2001 there was another knock on my door. It was the C word again. This time it was breast cancer for myself. I wanted so much to be able to take care of this and shield my children at the same time. But you can't do both. So for the second time they were once again hearing this awful word. They were so brave and stood by me thru it all. I had a lumpectomy and lymph node surgery(2 of 12 tested positive) then a port put in and I began my chemo and radiation. Let me tell you bald was not beautiful on me!!!! I never knew how vain I was until I had no hair. Now there's never a bad hair day! There's always a rainbow right after the storm and mine was named Garrett. My first grandson was born in November and he became my reason for getting out of the bed. God has since given me Luke, Savannah and Wyatt. The man was my husband, Mickey Crawford. And my real reason for walking is so maybe my children and their families won't ever get that knock at their door!*

*Marilyn Head*

**Karen  
Maglothin**

**Kathleen  
Cheshier**

**Kristi Bearden**

**Shelby  
Swafford**

**Meghann  
Westbrooks**

## Fundraisers – In High Gear

Team fundraisers are a great way to bond as a team and raise a lot of money for the cause. The advantage of working as a team is that it allows you to make more money & have a great time doing it. The Circle of Friends Team tries to host several team events each year. Any team member is welcome to participate in any of the events. If you prefer to raise your money individually & not participate in the team events, that is fine. If you want participate in only one team event that is fine. You do what you feel works best for you. I encourage you to still send out letters to get personal donations. The 2 day website offers templates to get you started. So, it is time to get out there and get some money – are you ready? If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

### Motorcycle Poker Run – May 17<sup>th</sup>

Rider's Hill in Dahlenega Ga. [www.ridershill.com](http://www.ridershill.com)

We will need 3 stops for cards – Sunrise Grocery, Hair Cottage, ??  
Registration forms and sponsorship forms are attached. Please print & start getting riders & sponsors today!

### Golf Tournament – June 8<sup>th</sup>

At Chestatee Golf Course - \$130 per golfer (4 man teams) – We need golfers and hole sponsors! More info coming soon!

### Kurt Thomas Concert – July 18<sup>th</sup>

Cottrell Circle C Ranch in Dahlenega – Gorgeiouis spacious barn- will hold about 400 people – more to come on this.... Mark the Date

### Softball Tournament – Late August... maybe???

If you are interested in helping with this please let me know.

### Cow-a-pooloza – September

Don't wait till this fundraiser to get your money – this should be the fundraiser that puts us in first place!!!

### More ideas??????

Remember you can have parties for fundraisers too!  
Gold Parties – People bring their old, broken gold & get cash for it. The hostess gets 10%! This is an easy fundraiser.

*Karen@gotgoldparties.com 678.429.4328 (Tell her Carrie referred you)*

Yankee Candles - <http://www.yankeefundraising.com/>

## Online Donations

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Please note that your supporters can make online donations as follows:

- Go to our **Circle of Friends** team website at [www.circleoffriendsteam.com](http://www.circleoffriendsteam.com) and click on donations.
- Find your name on the next screen and click on your name.

This takes them directly to Atlanta 2-day's link and directly to your personal 2-day online donation page. (You may want to go to your personal page on 2-day website to personalize your donation page and upload your picture.) This eliminates searching for your name on the 2-day website and saves several steps in addition to making sure that their donation gets credited to **YOU**.

## Additional Tidbits

➤ **Dawson County Kiwanis 10K & 5K race – May 2, 2009.**

Registration begins at 7:30am

Races begins at 8:00am

Early Registrations are 10K-\$20.00

5K-\$15.00

Race day 10K-\$25

5K-\$20

Early registration – by April 25, 2009

Contact Judy Walls at United Community Bank or email

[judy\\_walls@ucbi.com](mailto:judy_walls@ucbi.com)

Or Jean Walden at Chestatee State bank

[jwalden@chestateestatebank.com](mailto:jwalden@chestateestatebank.com)

\*\*Registration form attached\*\*\*\*\*

➤ **Kurt Thomas at Hard Rock Café**

**Benefits the Atlanta 2 Day Walk**

**May 9<sup>th</sup>**