



2015 Relay for Life of North Mason

WHAT: Imagine a giant moving slumber party with hundreds of guests. Teams of walkers from businesses, churches, schools, organizations, families and neighborhoods from all over the Mason area join cancer survivors (the honored guests) and their families for what we know as **Relay For Life**. Each year, 3.5 million people in 5,200 different communities in the United States alongside additional communities in 23 different countries, gather to take part in this global phenomenon and raise much-needed fund and awareness to save lives from cancer.

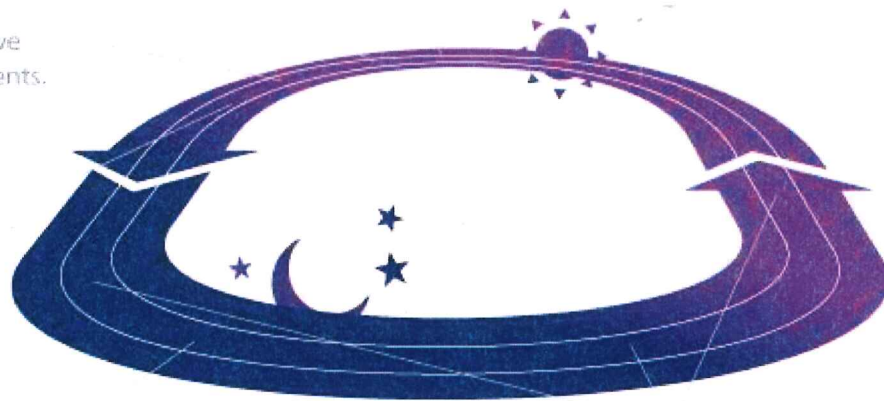
1 Relayers are welcomed in the **OPENING CEREMONY**.

2 Relay starts with the **SURVIVOR LAP**, when survivors walk to celebrate their victory over cancer.

3 The **CAREGIVER LAP** recognizes those who have given care to cancer patients.

4 All of the Relay teams are invited to walk together during the **OPENING LAP**.

7 The **FIGHT BACK CEREMONY** helps close the event. Relayers take a final lap and pledge to take action and spread awareness of cancer research, treatments, and prevention.



5 Luminaria bags and candles are lit during the **LUMINARIA CEREMONY** to honor loved ones who have passed or are fighting the disease.

6 **INDIVIDUAL WALKING** is observed throughout the night with **FAMILY GAMES, ACTIVITIES, and ENTERTAINMENT**.

WHEN: Friday, June 19, 2015 at 6:00pm – Saturday June 20th, 2014 at 12:00pm

WHERE: North Mason High School
Belfair, WA.

HOW: One member of each team should be on the track throughout the event, whether walking, running, wheel chairing, or sitting in a lawn chair on the track. Team participants are asked to raise a minimum of \$100 in personal donations to receive your Relay For Life t-shirt. The most successful fundraisers greatly exceed this amount by sending donation requests to friends and relatives outside of the community, using your Relay For Life of North Kitsap website for fundraising, and organizing team fundraisers such as car washes! Sample letters and fundraising ideas will be provided.



WHY:

American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a celebration of life... thanks to rapidly advancing technology, early detection and education about prevention more people survive today than ever before. **Relay For Life** is a lot more than just another fundraiser. It is about being a community that takes up the fight against cancer, coming together for a common cause. It reminds us that, although progress continues to be made in the crusade against cancer, so much more needs to be done.

In addition to raising critical money, Relay For Life provides a platform for raising cancer awareness and connecting communities to all of the American Cancer Society's programs and services. Through cancer research, community education, patient services and advocacy, the American Cancer Society works through Relay For Life to save lives.

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Follow us on Facebook for updates and information to help you & your team get ready for the Relay in July! Just visit www.Facebook.com/northmasonrelay

Ready to start your own Relay For Life team? It's easy! Just follow these simple steps...

1. Go to www.relayforlifeofnorthmason.org
2. Click "Sign up"
3. Click "Start a NEW Team"
4. Pick a fun team name and your team fundraising goal
5. You will then be guided through the rest of the registration process and that's it!

Once you've registered your team go out and recruit your friends, family and co workers to join you and start fundraising and **FIGHTING BACK AGAINST CANCER!**