

SECOND ANNUAL GREAT PINK PUMPKIN RAISES \$10,000

Over 600 participants and volunteers came together to make the second annual Great Pink Pumpkin 5K Run/Walk a success this past October. The event was sponsored by Moraine Park Technical College and Kiwanis of Fabulous Fond du Lac.

“The Great Pink Pumpkin Run exemplifies the true competencies of team building and problem solving through serving the community for an event that raised \$10,000 for Breast Cancer Recovery and doubled participation in the second year,” said Jeff Stueber, business management instructor at Moraine Park. “This collaborative college event was, in essence, an impactful opportunity for our college to demonstrate our community involvement through the most valuable resource we have at our school, the students! Real life experiences allow for integrity within the teaching and learning process and I am proud to be a part of this event that has the potential to grow and touch many more lives in the future.”



Participants enjoy a sunny fall day at the second annual Great Pink Pumpkin 5K Run/Walk and raised \$10,000.

Of the \$10,000 raised this year, \$8,000 will be donated to Breast Cancer Recovery, an organization whose mission is to provide environments for women breast cancer survivors to heal emotionally. The other \$2,000 will go to the Moraine Park Foundation to fund scholarships for students affected by breast cancer.

Brenda Schaefer, Moraine Park social science instructor and service-learning coordinator, joined forces with Stueber to spearhead the event last year. In addition to the run, other activities included blood pressure screenings from the Medical Assistant program, activities for children sponsored by the Early Childhood Education program, handcrafted pink sprinkled cookies from the Culinary Arts students and pink hair extensions donated by the Cosmetology program.

Next year's run will be held Oct. 15, 2016.