

# Bartow Relay For Life

## *"A Decade Of Making a Difference"*

December 2010

2011 RELAY-APRIL 8-9 AT BARTOW MEMORIAL STADIUM

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*John Calandros, one of Bartow's own firefighters, has been selected Honorary Chair for the 2011 Relay For Life. In 2005 John was diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia; thus, leading to his first experience with chemotherapy. This past summer he found that chemo was once again necessary to fight his leukemia and enable him to return to work and to his favorite activity of biking. John and his wife Shanna, a teacher at Union Academy, have three children. Hayley, who attends Florida Southern, Suzanna, a BHS senior, and John, an eighth grade student at UA.*

## TEAM NEWS

- **ANNUAL CHILI LUNCHEON: HOSTED BY JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE TEAM JANUARY 14, 2011...\$5.00 FOR CHILI, CORN BREAD AND DESSERT**
- **Need a shirt???** You can purchase one from "Cancer Can't Tucker Us Out"...contact Gerald Tucker at Bartow Middle or from the "Bartow Fire Department Team"...see Chris Walker or any fireman at the station.
- **Christmas Decorating???** The Fire Department is, also, selling ornaments for your decorating pleasure...check them out at the station.

### CONGRATULATIONS To The Following Teams For Reaching Fundraising Club Level

Cancer Can't Tucker Us Out - Gold - \$5000

Chili Can Make A Difference – Rising Star - \$1000

Bartow Police Department – Rising Star - \$1000

First Methodist Church Adults – Rising Star - \$1000

**Holiday Fundraising...here are a few tips:** Send out a request for a donation in your Christmas cards...ask for donations to your webpage instead of gifts...make a donation to Relay as a gift for someone who has everything.

We know all of you are working diligently planning, organizing, and conducting fundraisers. Thanks to all our teams for starting their fundraising early. Please let us know what they are so we can advertise them in the newsletters...send to [patty244@comcast.net](mailto:patty244@comcast.net). This is the first year we have had a newsletter and we want it to be a tool that is helpful and informative to you...let us know what you would like to see included and we will try to follow your advice.



**Congratulations** are certainly in line for Priscilla Quina who was presented the “Courage Award” by the American Cancer Society. The award is presented each year to someone who has been affected by cancer and who has worked tirelessly and given her all to see that a cure is found. After her brother was diagnosed with throat cancer, she organized her own Relay team, *Chili Can Make a Difference*, in honor of him. Also, she was co-chair of the Survivor Dinner held each year in March and worked numerous hours in trying to recruit others to join Bartow’s Relay. We are proud of Priscilla as she is the only recipient for the 2010 Courage Award in Polk County.

**THINGS YOUR TEAM MEMBERS SHOULD KNOW:**

1. **TENTS...YOU MAY USE YOUR OWN OR RENT FROM ABC TENT RENTAL: IF RENTING, YOU SHOULD LET KEVIN DOYLE KNOW AT THE JANUARY TEAM MEETING.**
2. **WEATHER: WE CANNOT PREDICT THE WEATHER FOR THE RELAY NIGHT; THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR A LONG NIGHT WITH BLANKETS, PILLOWS, AND SUCH...THINGS YOU NEED TO BE COMFORTABLE DURING THE COOLER NIGHT HOURS.**
3. **KEVIN DOYLE AND CANDY GRUBBS ARE IN CHARGE OF LOGISTICS...SO, IF YOU HAVE A FAVORITE SPOT YOU WOULD LIKE FOR YOUR TENT, LET THEM KNOW....IF YOU WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE, SOMEONE MAY HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN THE SPOT YOU DESIRED.**
4. **ANIMALS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE RELAY...MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR FURRY FRIENDS TO SPEND THE NIGHT AWAY FROM YOU.**
5. **BRING EXTRA CASH SO YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE EXCITING RAFFLES OR PURCHASE FOOD OR GOODIES FROM OTHER TEAMS.**
6. **BARBEQUE DINNERS ARE SOLD BEGINNING AT 5:00.**
7. **THE SURVIVOR RECEPTION BEGINS AT 6:00.**
8. **OPENING CEREMONIES BEGIN AT 6:45**
9. **LUMINARIA CEREMONY BEGINS AT 9:00.**
10. **PREPARE IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR TEAM TO ENTER THE “AFTER MIDNIGHT” CONTESTS HELD FOR YOUR VERY OWN ENTERTAINMENT.**



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**TEAM PARTIES AT ARP CHURCH 5:30: Jan. 10, Feb. 7,**

**March 14, April 5**

**SURVIVOR DINNER...MARCH 24**

**RELAY...APRIL 8-9**

Helpful contacts: [relayforlife.org/bartowfl](http://relayforlife.org/bartowfl) (ACS online); [Bartowrelay.com](http://Bartowrelay.com) (local website); Bartow Relay (Facebook); [pkehoe@polkcountydemocrat.com](mailto:pkehoe@polkcountydemocrat.com) (local paper)

**The Executive Committee wishes you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year...see you in 2011.**





