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Texas Wesleyan University joins Race for the Cure
Team Wesleyan battles cancer one step at a time

FORT WORTH, March 2 – Texas Wesleyan University joins the fight against breast cancer by participating in the annual Tarrant County Race for the Cure, April 10 at 8 a.m. at Sundance Square in Fort Worth. Team Wesleyan unites with thousands of participants to raise money and awareness for breast cancer issues. Team Wesleyan Captain, Dr. Libby Gilmore’s grandmother had breast cancer, as did her mother – twice. As a ten-year survivor herself, Gilmore is personally touched by the race and by what it hopes to accomplish.

“It’s is the most moving experience...you see a sea of pink on the participants’ backs in memory of or in honor of someone they know (who has/had breast cancer) and a lot of pink shirts. All of the survivors wear pink shirts ... it’s really an incredible event,” says Gilmore.

Team Wesleyan will take part in the Tarrant County Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation’s Race for the Cure, where they have participated in

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one capacity or another for at least ten years. Rozanne Rosenthal chartered the Tarrant County Affiliate in 1992 in honor of her friend Joan Katz, three-time survivor of breast cancer. Tarrant County currently has over four hundred members, and officials expect more than 16,000 participants in this year's race, the largest to date in Tarrant County. Participants receive souvenir T-shirts and may run or walk in the 10K, 5K or the one-mile fun-run. Team Wesleyan usually walks the 5K together, but Gilmore says team members can choose to participate in any race.

It is the mission of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation to eradicate breast cancer as a life threatening disease. It is a national, nonprofit organization that began the Race for the Cure in Dallas, Texas, in 1983, in honor of Susan G. Komen.

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