

Seventh ANNUAL WALK-A-THON RAISES \$24,069.75.



Greetings and support were extended from Gary Schellenberger – MP Perth - Ian Forrest – Mayor of Perth East, Julie Behrns – Warden of the County and – Gary Byrd, Spokes person for Knollcrest Lodge Board of Directors.

Bill Robb piped the walkers and runners across the start line. The 50 walkers choose from the three popular routes: 15 km Country Walk, 3.5 In-town and Indoor walks. Gary Byrd stated “It amazes me that so many of the walkers actually wanted to walk the 15 km route in this horrible weather, when they could have taken the much easier 3.5 In-town or Indoor walk. We are just so grateful to everyone who took part!”

At the closing ceremonies, awards were presented for the first finishers, sponsorship and Grand Prize. The Spirit Award was awarded to Neil Wilker. Neil has walked in all seven walks and has always encouraged others to support him in his efforts or to participate themselves. His dedication, determination and courage are an inspiration to us all.



The “Heart to Heart” Country Walk embraces the spirit of the community, the spirit of giving, participating and growth and supports the “Enhancement of a home like environment in which residents live”.

Julie Behrns, Warden of Perth County comments, “Knollcrest is a home that provides excellent care and it is that excellence of care, which puts its residents and the needs of this community ahead yourself. Knollcrest is part of the spirit of this community and the community is a part of the spirit of Knollcrest”.



Ian Forrest, Mayor of Perth East Township noted, “This is a tremendous event for Knollcrest and this community. This event wouldn’t be possible with out the many hours donated by volunteers and the support of the sponsors and donors. Knollcrest is point of economic life and without it; it would be a huge loss to this community.”

Susan Rae, Administrator of Knollcrest “We want to thank all of our walkers, donors and sponsors for their continued support of this event. This year the walker wasn’t an easy one for participants and we are most appreciative of their efforts,... thank you everyone”. This walk-a-thon event and Knollcrest have a long history together, starting with the first walk 40 years ago. It has become a hallmark event for Knollcrest.

Top left: Gary Byrd and Doug Fyfe, working the registration desk. Middle Right: Gary Byrd from Knollcrest Board of Directors presents Neil Wilker with the Walk-a-thon Spirit Award.

Right top to bottom: First place finisher – Mike Boertien – following his run.

THANK YOU TO THIS COMMUNITY...

for demonstrating your continuing support of Knollcrest Lodge, and sharing in another successful Walk-a-thon. Your support helps us to “Create and Maintain a wonderful home environment for our residents”.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated, volunteers and provided sponsorship and support for the 2010 Walk-A-Thon



Prizes were donated by:

- Sysco Foods
- Complete Purchasing
- Knollcrest Auxiliary
- Alpine
- Horizon ProResp
- Home Health
- Stevens
- GE Security
- Alan Haid
- Roesaleen Farms Ltd.
- Health Unit
- Knollcrest Lodge
- G. R. J Poultry Inc.
- Susan Rae
- Anna Maes Restaurant
- Millbank Family Furniture
- Milverton Foodland
- Mornington Communications
- Wicked Snips
- Brenda Schultz

Prizes were awarded in a number of categories:

- Most Sponsorships were: Neil Wilker (\$4,050.), Joel Wagler (\$3,260.), Dave Shearer (\$2,225.; an Honourable mention was made to Susan Rae and Tom Broda.
- First Finishers of the 15 km route were: Mike Boertien (1 hr, 25m), Barney Kuntzi (1hr, 29m), Karen Davidson & Terry Lynn Gropp (1 hr, 40m)
- The 2010 Spirit Award was given: Neil Wilker.

THANK YOU EVERYONE!

A huge **THANK YOU** also goes to the individuals, businesses and organizations that helped through their support, donations and volunteering. They include:

- Milverton Lions Club - registration
- Mornington Optomists Club - provided water around the routes
- Gravelridge Women's I. - refreshment stop
- Lily Dempsey Women's I. - refreshment stop
- Protrend Arrow Construction (PAC) provided support vehicles
- St. John's Ambulance
- Ontario Provincial Police
- Pinnacle Health and Fitness – warm up exercises

Many thanks to the staff at the Township of Perth East and the Corporation of the County of Perth for their cooperation.

Many thanks to a number of volunteers, all of whom ensured that the entire event ran smoothly from beginning to end:

- George Narhgang
- Bill Robb
- Bill Westman
- Sharon Roes
- Vicky Stewart
- Susan Rae
- Louise Hasenpflug
- Marilyn Dale
- Ruth Gerber
- Jenelle Gasho
- Darlene Raycraft
- Dianne Lichti
- Karen Simmons
- Gary Byrd
- Doug Fyfe
- Dave Shearer
- Connie Gerlach
- Kathy Schweitzer
- Alisha Moore
- Vern Beattie
- Kristine Scott

Top left: Connie Gerlach, Gary Byrd and Doug Fyfe announce the Grand Total.