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NACS hosts modified Relay For Life to keep hope alive for those touched by cancer

Big fundraising despite smaller event--3K for participants

Fort Wayne, Ind. (Monday, June 7, 2021) – The 5th Annual NACS Relay For Life event will take place from 7 to 9 p.m., June 12, in the parking lot of Maple Creek Middle School, 425 Union Chapel Rd. The socially-distanced walk will benefit the American Cancer Society, and teams or individuals may still register at <u>relayforlife.org/NACSChargersFightingCancerIN</u>.

Combating cancer continues as the cause of choice for Northwest Allen County Schools, and the pandemic will not prevent the relay like it did last year. Though modified to a 3K event, the community and district family has plans again to rally around finding a cure for cancer and supporting those coping with it.

"NACS is once again proud to host this event," said Kathy Dougald, event co-chair, and secretary/treasurer, Perry Hill Elementary School. "This year's 3K walk is a great way to celebrate all the hard work that has been done this year to raise money for the American Cancer Society."

Luminarias are available for purchase for \$10 each until Thursday, June 10; they provide a special moment as each one is lit in remembrance of a life touched by cancer. The luminaria can be decorated in honor of a loved one or to support a participating team.

"Even during a pandemic, it has been amazing to see the continued support of NACS and the community towards Relay," Dougald said. "It just affirms that while cancer has not stopped, neither has our community in its fight to end it."

The theme of this year's event is, "Moving forward one step at a time." More information about NACS may be found at nacs.k12.in.us.

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