



WALK & ROLL



Walk & Roll News

Week of March 26, 2012

Walk & Roll is now 33 days away! Are you as excited as we are for **April 29th**?

We are so delighted that our event will be at **Soldier Field** this year - what a great way to celebrate our 41st birthday!

We are looking forward to a great day of walking, skating, and biking our way to a world without cancer. And don't forget to spread the word - invite friends, survivors, and caregivers to join us for our celebration!

Visit www.walkroll.org for more information.



We know how to party at Walk & Roll!

Jackie Joyner-Kersey Will Be There!

We are excited to have Jackie Joyner-Kersey joining us this year! Mrs. Joyner-Kersey is a 6-time Olympic medalist (3 golds, 1 silver, 2 bronzes) in Track & Field, and *Sports Illustrated for Women* named her the Greatest Female Athlete of the 20th Century.



Mrs. Joyner-Kersey has always been a strong advocate for taking care of your health - including preventative steps - and we are excited to hear her inspirational words as we walk and roll our way to a world without cancer!

When: Sunday, April 29th
9am - Registration
10am - Routes
Where: Soldier Field
Stadium Green
Chicago

Go to www.walkroll.org to sign up today!

Why I Walk & Roll - Carrie Reznicek

Each week, we will spotlight a participant and find out why they Walk & Roll!



Carrie's parents are dearly missed by their grandchildren

Carrie Reznicek is no stranger to the life of a caregiver for people going through cancer treatment. Having lost both her mother, 61, and her father, 67, to two separate and equally rare types of cancer in just over three years' time, she knows the stresses it puts on both patients and their families.

Despite excellent doctors and months of frustrating research, Carrie's mother's diagnosis was never fully confirmed. For just under two years, she endured multiple surgeries, immunotherapy, radiation, chemotherapy and all their painful side effects, yet she would insist to Carrie that "this cancer is harder on you than it is on me." Carrie's father, who was a great source of strength both during her mother's battle and after her mother passed, was diagnosed two short years later with T-cell lymphoma while Carrie was just one month away from delivering his twin granddaughters.

Losing both parents to cancer is never easy, and Carrie mourns the experiences her girls and their cousins will never have with their grandparents. But she honors their memories through her involvement with the American Cancer Society's Walk & Roll. First participating in 2005 while her mother was undergoing treatment, her team was among the top five fundraisers for several years. "K&J's Crusaders" still exists today, and Carrie now also serves on the event committee, focusing specifically on caregiver recognition and support. Her wish is that every dollar raised will give other patients more time, other families more hope and other grandchildren more memories.

Join Carrie and her family and the American Cancer Society as we fight back! Sign up for the Walk & Roll today, to walk, bike or skate – and make a difference in the lives of those fighting cancer.