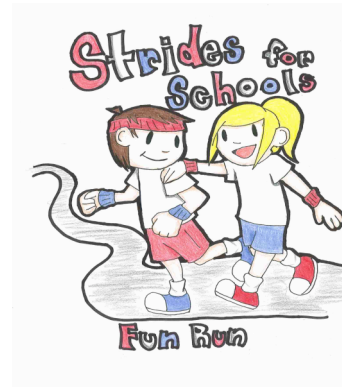


First Annual Strides for Schools Fun Run Exceeds Expectations

Hundreds of runners/walkers hit Deer Park streets to raise \$23,250 for Education Foundation



February 15, 2010 – (Deer Park TX) – From all measures, Saturday’s Strides for Schools Fun Run was a smashing success – smashing all expectations on attendance as well as funds raised for the Deer Park Education Foundation. More than 550 participants registered for the 5K fun run/walk, with nearly that many braving the early-morning cold to cross the finish line with family, friends, neighbors and co-workers – all for a very worthy cause. Many Deer Park students, ranging from elementary through high school, ran the race alongside their parents and teachers.

“I was thrilled with the overwhelming response we received from the community,” said Sheri Brown, Deer Park Education Foundation Coordinator. “The funds raised will make a huge difference for the Foundation’s programs in 2010. I am grateful to Shell, and to all the participants and the dozens of volunteers, sponsors and spectators who helped make this event a true winner.”

The Fun Run was presented by Shell Deer Park as a gift to the community last fall during the company’s 80th anniversary celebration activities. “Supporting education has been a top priority at Shell for decades,” said Aamir Farid, Shell Deer Park General Manager. “We wanted to create an event that would bring the entire community together to support and recognize the Deer Park school system. We’re excited about this year’s strong results, but we’re already looking forward to doubling that success next year!”

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Race Facts:

Funds Raised: \$9,000 through race registrations + \$9,000 matching gift from Shell Deer park + \$5,250 through community sponsorships = **\$23,250**

Participants: Registrations totaled 553

Race Results: Coming soon – check the Strides for Schools web site – www.shell.com/us/deerpark.

Photos: Visit the **Strides for Schools Group page on Facebook** and/or the web site to see and download photos and videos – more coming soon.

Race Artwork: Deer Park High School student **Callie Parrott** created the Strides for Schools Official Logo (above) last fall through a Shell-sponsored art contest.

The Deer Park Education Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that funds teachers’ grants for creative programs not available through the normal operating budget of the school district.