

**Relay for Life of Rutherford County's Got Talent**  
*Sponsored by*  
*Rutherford County Employees'*  
*& Dream Weavers' Relay for Life Teams*

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June 1, 2010

We would like to thank everyone so much for their participation in Relay Idol over the past three years. Through the efforts of our past participants we have been able to raise almost \$40,000 over the past three years!

It is time to begin the registration process for the competition and we would like to expand our program. The program this year will change to allow for a more overall talent competition—encompassing more than vocal talent. Our program will highlight all talents\* of our Relay community.

Enclosed you will find a form to apply along with information on ways to raise funds (votes). Remember every dollar you raise counts as a vote. Votes may be raised through Program Ads, Luminarias, Purple Bows (Paint the County Purple Campaign), or donations.

The Entrance Fee is \$25.00 for participants of less than five individuals and \$50.00 for participants with five or more individuals which you can personally pay or have someone sponsor you.

Please complete the entrance form and return with the entrance fee as soon as possible so that we can guarantee your spot to become the first Relay for Life of Rutherford County's GOT TALENT. Should you not be able to compete this year, please pass this information on to a friend or family member who might be interested.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact our RFL of Rutherford County's Got Talent Committee Chairpersons Debbie Bedford at (828)287-6031 or Pam Strickland at (828)247-1900.

**Relay for Life of Rutherford County's Got Talent Committee**

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\* All performances must be appropriate for a family audience. We do reserve the right to disqualify any participants that do not honor this request.

# Rutherford County Employees & Dream Weavers Present Relay for Life of Rutherford County's "Got Talent"

## REGISTRATION FORM

All proceeds go to the Rutherford County Relay for Life.

**\*\*All contestants must provide a picture that can be used for promotion of the event.**

1<sup>st</sup> Competition – August 21, 2010 at the RS Central HS Auditorium

Final Competition – September 10, 2010 at the Relay for Life

***(Participants must commit to performing on both dates if chosen as a finalist. Participants may be individual performers OR groups.)***

Name/Team Name (if group, list names and contact information, attach additional pages, if needed):

*\*For groups please list primary contact first.\**

1.) Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

3.) Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

4.) Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of music/song you plan to perform, style of dance, and/or a brief description of your talent presentation:

\_\_\_\_\_

You are required to provide your own music, will it be on CD or will you play your own instrument?

\_\_\_\_\_

Any special equipment, lights, sound, or props you will need? Props may include such items as mats, canes, chairs, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

(If under 18, agreement must also be signed by parent or guardian)

Why are you interested in participating in Relay for Life of Rutherford County's "GOT TALENT"?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement/Regulations**

I agree to be present for the August 21, 2010 competition and if I am selected as a finalist, the September 10, 2010 competition. In addition, I agree that my performance will not involve any profanity, promotion of drug use, use of fire or animals, or anything which could be offensive to a general audience. Relay for Life can use my picture for promotion of this event.

1.) Performer/Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Performer/Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

3.) Performer/Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4.) Performer/Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Final Date to Register will be Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 at 5:00 PM  
Event Time is tentatively set to be from 5:00 PM - Until with a brief  
intermission. Pizza and refreshments will be served.**

**Turn in registration forms at the Rutherford County Finance Office,  
Board of Elections, or Dream Weavers along with the Entrance Fee of  
\$25.00(for participants with less than five individuals) or \$50 (for  
participants with five or more individuals).**

**Any questions call Debbie Bedford at 828-287-6031  
or Pam Strickland at 828-247-1900.**

**\*\*All checks should be made payable to ACS (American Cancer Society).\*\***

# Relay for Life of Rutherford County's "Got Talent" Sponsored by Rutherford County Employees & Dream Weavers

## Information for Contestants

Thank you for entering the Relay for Life of Rutherford County's GOT TALENT competition. We believe that this will be a wonderful opportunity for you to share your talents and help raise money for a very worthy cause!

Enclosed we have tried to answer all of your questions and provide you with the forms and information that will assist you as you prepare for August 21<sup>st</sup>. Should you have any questions or need anything further, please contact Debbie Bedford at 287-6031 or Pam Strickland at 247-1900.

## Calendar of Events

Friday 7/23/10	Registration Deadline for "Got Talent" Competition
Up until Friday 8/13/10	Contestants may sell Program Ads and/or Sponsorships. Forms and money are due to Debbie Bedford (All program booklet ads and sponsorships qualify as "votes.")
Up until 8/20/10	Contestants can collect votes (\$ donations) through luminarias, purple bows, or other donations (except for ads/sponsorships)
8/20/10	Practice 6:00 pm at RS Central
08/21/10	Relay's Got Talent competition 5:00 pm contestants should arrive around 4:00 pm. Top five contestants will be announced at end of evening along with the Judges' Choice.
Between 8/21& 9/10/10	Top 5 contestants can collect votes (\$ donations)
9/10/2010	Top 5 contestants chosen at competition will perform at the Relay event where the Relay's Got Talent will be crowned.

*\*\*Remember, our top 5 will be selected based upon average "votes" collected per each individual.\*\**

**To determine winners, "votes" will be based on the average "votes" collected per individual. For example, if Participant A collects \$1,000 (with 4 individual members) = \$250 average; whereas, Participant B collects \$400 (solo performer) = \$400 average. Therefore, based on average "votes" collected by team member Participant B would be our winner.**

## How to collect votes (\$ donations)

1. Ask friends, family, everyone to support you in your quest to become the Relay's Got Talent by contributing any amount they can.
2. Ask individuals or businesses to be a Sponsor or Patron. Sponsors donate \$25.00 and Patrons donate \$10.00. Their names will be listed in our program book and identified as your sponsors or patrons. Program books will be available at the August 21<sup>st</sup> performance. A form is included for you to use to sign up supporters. The last date to turn these in is **Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**.
3. Ask businesses or family and friends to buy ads for the program. We have included a form for your use. You may use your own pictures for personal "good luck" ads from family and friends or we will be happy to generate business ads recreated from business cards, yellow page ads or just a simple handwritten note! All money that you generate in ad sales counts in your votes. REMEMBER, we must receive these no later than **Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**.
4. Help Paint our County Purple by selling Purple Bows to be displayed at businesses, mailboxes, cars, office doors showing the Power of Purple in our Community. Please contact Paula Roach at 287-6348 for bows and more information.
5. Tell everyone about the Relay's Got Talent competition on August 21<sup>st</sup> and ask them to come out and vote for you. The more people in the audience that night, the more chance for you to get votes.
6. You can turn in money collected at the Rutherford County Finance Office 289 N. Main Street in Rutherfordton, Monday through Friday from 8:30 until 5:00. **We have attached a form that must be completed and turned in with any money. Please call ahead for an appointment with Julie Scherer or Paula Roach at 287-6085.**

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## Practice on August 20, 2010

All performers will be at RS Central at 6:00 on the 20<sup>th</sup> (Friday) for practice. We will place all contestants' names in a hat and draw out the order that you will perform on the 21<sup>st</sup>. We will quickly allow you to practice your performance once that night to ensure that your music or accompaniment is ready with no problems. REMEMBER, your performance is not to last more than three minutes (for participants with less than five individuals) and no more than five minutes (for participants with five or more individuals). An official timer will be on hand to record the times. Please bring any money you have collected at that point and not turned in so that we can process as much as possible prior to the Big Night.

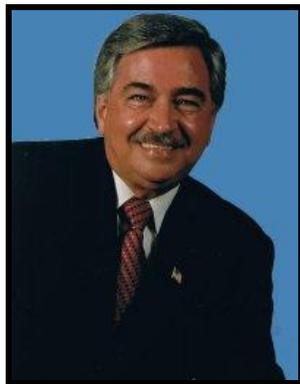
## On The Big Night – August 21<sup>st</sup>

We ask that all performers arrive at RS Central approximately one hour before your show time dressed and ready to perform. Please dress appropriately since this is a family event. We will have reserved seats on the side near the stage for the contestants to sit while they wait to perform. Ticket sales will also begin one hour prior to each show. **We have decided not to do any advance tickets.** Tell your family and friends to get there early to get the best seats!

Our Judges for this year will include a variety of individuals from our Relay family and entertainment arena. Becky McKelvey was our 2008 Relay Idol Winner. Jim Bishop is our local radio personality from WCAB 590 and member of the gospel group In His Glory. Gail Strickland judged many Junior Miss Scholarship programs across North Carolina and Chairman of the Rutherford County Junior Miss Program. We are also honored to have Janet Roller, speaker and singer for Christian events since being named Miss South Carolina 1997.



*Becky McKelvey*



*Jim Bishop*



*Gail Strickland*



*Janet Roller*

During the competitions the audience will be reminded to vote for the performer of their choice and they are allowed to vote as many times as they want. We will have buckets for voting out in the foyer of the auditorium at RS Central with an enlarged picture of each contestant/group with it. Again, the audience will vote by putting any monetary contribution into the bucket of their choice and they can vote as many times as they want. After everyone has performed, we will have special performances while the votes are counted.

**Our celebrity judges will present the Judges Award for the best overall performance of the competition.** The five performers who have collected the most votes (\$) in the evening competition will be announced. These five participants will move on to the final competition the night of Relay, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at RS Middle.

The following forms can be duplicated to use to raise and submit funds:

**RELAY FOR LIFE OF RUTHERFORD COUNTY'S GOT TALENT**  
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**Weavers' Relay for Life Teams**  
**PARTICIPANT DONATION SUBMITTAL FORM**

Date Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\$ Amount Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

**If possible, please write one check for all cash money received. All checks should be made to the American Cancer Society (or ACS).**

Are you sponsored by a Relay for Life Team? \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes/No)

If yes, which team \_\_\_\_\_

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**SPONSOR INFORMATION FORM**

Contestant's Name(s) You are Supporting\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Level\_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of \$25 required)

Patron Level\_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of \$10 required)

How would you like your name listed in the Program Book?

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info:

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_

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2010 to Debbie Bedford or Pam Strickland.***

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**ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION FORM**

Contestant's Name You are Supporting \_\_\_\_\_

- ¼ PAGE AD                   \$     30.00
- ½ PAGE AD                   \$     50.00
- FULL PAGE AD               \$    100.00

Contact Info:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach advertisement or describe below exactly what you wish to have in your advertisement.**

***Please turn these in as soon as possible but no later than August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to Debbie Bedford or Pam Strickland.***



## A Gift To Honor Or In Memory Of Someone Special

On September 10, 2010, during the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life of Rutherford County", we are providing Luminaries (candles in paper bags with sand) to outline our track. The Luminarias will be lit in memory and in honor of loved ones who have had cancer affect their lives in a lighting ceremony at dark.

We want to give everyone an opportunity to pay tribute to their loved ones and help fight the disease that claims so many lives. You do not need to be an actual participant in the event to take part in this tribute. With your donation, the name of the individual that you have designated will appear on the luminary to be lit on Friday evening.

If you would like to participate in this special candle lighting ceremony, simply return the form below. Please note that the proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's continuing programs of research, education, advocacy and service.

### RELAY FOR LIFE OF RUTHERFORD COUNTY LUMINARIA FORM

PLEASE PRINT NAMES CLEARLY

Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_\_

Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(SUGGESTED MINIMUM DONATION IS \$ 10.00 PER CANDLE)

Check made payable to: American Cancer Society

Luminaria Chair- Gail Strickland Email: [gailstrickland@bellsouth.net](mailto:gailstrickland@bellsouth.net)

Fax: 828-245-2156 Phone: 828-245-2156 or 828-223-1735

Mailing address: 1373 Old US Hwy 74, Ellenboro NC 28040



## Proud Supporter of Relay for Life

Help us Paint the County Purple. For a donation of \$10, you can receive one of these Purple bows to display on your office door, your car, your mailbox or your front door.

All Relay participants know the true "Power of Purple." You've seen lives changed when you invite others to Relay for Life for the first time. You know the sense of victory when those who have battled cancer walk their first Survivor Lap. You never forget the emotion of placing a luminaria bag around the track for someone you love. You want to share all that the Relay event is with others in your community.

That's why you're invited to share the *Power of Purple* in your Relay community!

Bows may be sold for ~ \$10 donation (cash or checks payable to ACS)

All Luminarias and Power of Purple Bows may be added to your contestant total as "votes." To pick up bows to sell, please email Paula at [relayfun@hotmail.com](mailto:relayfun@hotmail.com).

Mark your calendar! Relay for Life of Rutherford County ~ September 10<sup>th</sup> at RS Middle School