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Local Cancer Survivors and Caregivers to be Honored at American Cancer Society Relay For Life

Rogersville, Tennessee – April 30, 2018 – Local cancer survivors and their caregivers will take the celebratory Survivor lap at the annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Hawkins County event on May 19, 2018 at Rogersville City Park. The Survivors Lap will begin after the Ceremony of Hope which begins at 6:00 p.m. A special lap for all current and former caregivers will follow the Survivor Lap.

Anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer and their caregivers are encouraged to join the celebration. As the survivors walk, other participants will cheer them on in a demonstration of support and celebration. A special reception for survivors will be held in the Survivor Tent beginning at 5:00 p.m. Survivors will receive a commemorative shirt, medal, and lapel pin.

The Relay For Life of Hawkins County is a community event where teams and individuals come together to honor, celebrate, and raise funds and awareness in an effort to free the world from the pain and suffering of cancer. Money raised will help the American Cancer Society provide free information and support for people facing the disease today, and fund cancer research that will help protect future generations.

Founded by Dr. Gordy Klatt in Washington in 1985, the Relay For Life movement is the world's largest fundraising event to save lives from cancer. Uniting communities across the globe, we celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action for lifesaving change. During Relay For Life events, members of each team take turns walking or running around the track or path. Teams participate in fundraising in the months leading up to the event.

If you are a cancer survivor, caregiver, or community member and would like to be part of the Relay For Life event, visit RelayForLife.org/HawkinsTN or call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345. The community and vendors are also encouraged to attend and participate. For more information on how to get involved, visit the site listed above or Jessica Poff at jessica.poff@cancer.org.

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