

Date: September 5th, 2024

To: Paul Vigna (pvigna@pennlive.com)

Subject: Annual 5k to Honor and Support Breast Cancer Survivors

Dear Mr. Vigna,

Earlier this year, I read your article for PennLive about the Logan's Run 5K. I was touched by how The Autism Society Greater Harrisburg Area paid tribute to National Autism Acceptance Month with its 19th annual Logan's Run 5K and Family Fun Walk at City Island and thought you might be interested in an event Rachel's Raiders are planning for later this October.

Rachel's Raiders is a Harrisburg-based non-profit organization dedicated to supporting breast cancer survivors by providing emotional, physical, and financial assistance. Founded by Rachel Montgomery, a breast cancer survivor herself, the organization's mission is "to empower breast cancer survivors by offering emotional, physical, and financial support, ensuring no one fights alone." Rachel's Raiders offers a variety of services, including survivor mentorship programs, financial aid for post-treatment care, wellness workshops, and fundraising events to assist survivors and their families.

According to the National Cancer Institute, the average annual cost for medical services related to cancer care cost breast cancer patients \$34,979 per year for initial care and \$3,539 per year for continuing care. To raise money for these costs, Rachel's Raiders plans to host its Annual 5k Fundraiser, "Run with Rachel," at 10 a.m. on October 19th, 2024, at City Island. All proceeds from the event will go to the Survivor Financial Aid Fund.

Rachel Montgomery and several other notable local survivor advocates will be participating in the race and available for interviews at your convenience. The event expects to attract hundreds of participants from across Central Pennsylvania, educating the public on the importance of supporting breast cancer survivors throughout all the stages of their battle.

Please feel free to email me at hook@rachelsraiders.com or call me at (717) 808-1234 for more information about this great cause.

Thank you,

Katrina Hook

Rachel's Raiders Event Coordinator