

HUSTLE FOR HAITI



10K . 5K . 2K Trail Runs & Walks

Sunday, January 31, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Southwestern Michigan College, Dowagiac, Michigan

- Event:** This will be a very well organized run/walk that is being orchestrated to raise funds to aid Haitians with water, food and medical supplies. It will be a non competitive event, but a large timeclock at the finish will give each participant their finish time. All races will start together at 1 p.m.
- Course:** The venue will be the beautiful Roadrunner Trails on and near the campus of Southwestern Michigan College. The long range weather forecast looks good, but if weather conditions prohibit the use of the trails, an alternate course will be set up on the pastoral roads of Mathews, Cherry Grove and Peavine.
- Pasta Buffet:** The renowned Wood Fire Restaurant in downtown Dowagiac will be offering a pasta buffet following the event starting at 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person. \$5 will be donated back to the Haiti fund.
- Entry Fee:** There is no entry fee. This is an opportunity for participants to demonstrate their love and support for the Haitians.
- Donations:** Participants who wish to donate funds for disaster relief are encouraged to raise pledge money per kilometer. For example, a pledge of \$1 per kilometer in the 10K will net \$10. Participants who choose to raise funds may elect to choose from one of the organizations listed on the reverse side of this flyer. They are all legitimate and the funds will be put to excellent use.
- Registration:** Participants may register from noon to 12:45 p.m. in the atrium of the Student Activity Center in the Charles O. Zollar Building. There will be no advanced registrations.
- Awards:** The rewards of this event are intrinsic. An attractive certificate suitable for framing will be presented to each participant.
- T-shirts:** A limited supply of colorful, bright T-shirts will be for sale.
- Hosts:** The students and staff of Southwestern Michigan College and the members of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will stage the event. For more information – contact Ron Gunn at 269-782-1209 or rgunn@swmich.edu.

Donation recommendations appear on the reversed side.

Suggestions for Donations

Members of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dowagiac have had ties to Haiti for decades.

In 2002, the first inter-denominational medical team sponsored by St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Dowagiac left for Haiti. Subsequent trips were made in 2003, 2004, and 2007.

The next team is scheduled to leave March 6 for Hopital Ste. Croix (Holy Cross Hospital) in Leogane, Haiti. Each day the team of doctors, dentists, nurses, and lay workers travel to remote sites around Leogane to provide much needed medical and dental care.

Members of St. Paul's have had ties to Haiti since 1967. Dr. Fred Mathews and Dr. James Wierman have been involved with The Episcopal University of Haiti School of Nursing in Leogane since its inception. Dr. Wierman has also worked at Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Deschapelles. He plans to return in March.

You can be assured that every dollar donated through the 'Hustle for Haiti' fund raiser will go to venerable works in Haiti providing for acute needs during this crisis. Your money will be divided between Albert Schweitzer Hospital and St. Vincent's Center for Handicapped Children.

<http://www.hashaiti.org>

Albert Schweitzer Hospital is located outside of Port Au Prince and is one of the few hospitals left that is undamaged and functioning. We have been in contact with the administrator who states they are overwhelmed with critically injured patients arriving in bus loads with Port Au Prince each day. This is non-denomination work. Two orthopedic teams are on their way to help with the injured. Dr. Wierman worked at Albert Schweitzer Hospital last year and plans to return in March.

<http://www.haitinursing.org>

The nursing school in Leogane, Haiti is functioning and is unharmed by the earthquake. The students and faculty have set up a temporary clinic to treat injured people in their community. Donations to the school of nursing are an investment in Haiti's future. This school is associated with the Episcopal Church. Many friends of Haiti from Dowagiac sponsor students at the school.

<http://www.friendsofstvincents.org>

St. Vincent's is a school and hospital for disabled children. This hospital is located in Port Au Prince. They specialize in the care of amputees, in addition to children who are deaf, blind or who suffer from other types of physical disabilities. This hospital is connected to the Episcopal Church.

Merci Beau Cop & Fedi Fe!