

THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE – GALLUP-MCKINLEY

26 Years of Celebrating, Remembering, and Fighting Back!

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"Avast, Cancer! Ye'll Walk the Plank!"

5:00 p.m. Friday, June 13 through 1:00 a.m. Saturday, June 14 (see schedule below)

*DOWNTOWN GALLUP -- COURTHOUSE SQUARE 207 West Hill

*OPEN TO THE PUBLIC *** NO ALCOHOL, SMOKING OR PETS ALLOWED ***

The Annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life will take place on Friday evening June 13 at the Courthouse Square, 207 West Hill. It is the Gallup-McKinley Relay's 26th Year of Celebrating, Remembering, and Fighting Back!

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All survivors of cancer are invited to attend and be our honored guests! Survivor and Caregiver registration begins at 5:00 p.m. All those registering will receive free tee shirts (while supplies last). The Opening Ceremony begins at 6:00 pm.

Relay Teams hope residents of Gallup and our neighbors will come out for Relay For Life! The closing ceremony will be held at Midnight - a time to celebrate our accomplishments with all festivities ending at 1:00 a.m.

Relay is a celebration of life, both for those who have survived this menace and for those who have cared for them. It is also a time to remember those we have lost.

Throughout Relay there are activities for all ages including games, special laps, teams selling items and food, and more at their campsites. Visitors are welcome to walk the track with Team members. Teams are required to have someone walking on the track at all times.

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There are many moments that create the Relay experience. The Survivors Lap starts off Relay. Survivors are invited to circle the track together with their caregivers.

A Relay activity that brings in a crowd is the Purse Auction at 7:00 p.m. Various purses and bags will be up for auction. The contents are worth at least \$25 including several special prizes and some terrific gift certificates!

After dark, we honor those who have been touched by cancer and remember loved ones lost to the disease during the Luminaria Ceremony. Candles are lit - each luminaria bag bearing the name of a person touched by cancer. All participants walk for a few minutes in silence, in honor and remembrance. We fight back against cancer by raising money

for American Cancer Society research, education, advocacy and services. Luminaria bags can be purchased until shortly before the ceremony for a donation of at least \$5. You are welcome to decorate your own. If you'd like to create your bags early, contact any Relay For Life team member or call Linda (505) 297-9515. Donations of canned goods are needed to keep the bags in place throughout the night! Drop off at the sand pit at the Courthouse anytime after 1 p.m. After Relay all cans are donated to The Community Pantry.

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Relay items may be purchased at our sales trailer. Come out Gallun and our neighbors in the surrounding area to fight cancer with us! We need your support! Talk to us about starting your own teams for next year, join an existing team or our Relay For Life Board. We are committed to find a cure!

Relay For Life 2025 Schedule

5:00 pm	Survivor and Caregiver Registration
5:45 pm	Blessing and Survivor Photo
6:00 pm	Opening Ceremony - Survivor & Caregiver Lap
7:00 pm	Purse Auction
8:00 pm	Team Lap
	"Mr. Relay"
	Box Car and Ship Races
	Camp Site Activities / Games
10:00 pm	Luminaria Ceremony and Silent laps of reflection
10:30 pm	Camp Site Activities / Games
12:30 am	Closing Ceremony
1:00 am	Final Relay For Life Lap
	<i>Relay Ends! See you next year!</i>

Volunteers are always welcome to assist with set-up Friday beginning at 1:00 p.m. and throughout the day. Or show up for clean-up! Call Joyce (505) 862-1457 or Linda (505) 297-9515 if this is a way you can support the cause.

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