

Attention CTV Members, NCCC Family and Friends!

[The 2015 Fort Worth Kidney Walk to benefit the National Kidney Foundation Serving Texas](#) is just around the corner...Sunday, April 12 at Trinity Park (the site of last year's walk). Please join your fellow CTV members, along with family and friends, for this wonderful experience. By registering online, raising donations among family and friends, and spreading the word about the NKF, you are helping the NKF prevent kidney disease and urinary tract diseases, along with improving the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by kidney diseases, as well as increasing the availability of all organs for transplantation.

Did you know that Kidney Disease is directly associated to many of today's major health issues: obesity, cardiovascular disease, diabetes and high blood pressure? Yet many doctors do not check for kidney disease until it has progressed into later stages and ultimately requires dialysis or a kidney transplant for survival. Many people are affected by chronic kidney disease. Hispanic, African Americans, Asian Americans and Native Americans are most at risk for kidney disease. With this in mind, each of you probably knows someone directly or indirectly who is currently affected by kidney disease. As we grow older, more will be affected.

Every year our community of Walkers increases to help raise funds for the NKF's programs and services, such as research, kidney health aware, patient services & education, advocacy for organ donation, Camp Reynal kids camp and much more! Your participation, donation, fundraising and encouraging family and friends to do the same are the backbone of the Fort Worth Kidney Walk.

Here's how to [sign up as a member of CORVETTES FOR NKF](#):

- Go to cowtownvettes.org and click on the NKF logo.
- To join your team, click on 'Team List or Participate, search for CORVETTES FOR NKF and follow the prompts and provide the necessary data.

Are you a new or returning participant? New – you will need to create a username and password; Returning – you will need to logon with your username and password from last year. Don't know it? Click on new and create a new username and password.

To make a donation, click on DONATE, then click on PARTICIPANT or TEAM and provide the necessary data.

If you have any problems following the other prompts to get signed up, please contact me at pinkvett@gmail.com. If I don't have an answer for you, I'll get one from the NKF office in Dallas.

[Corvettes for NKF](#) is currently **#1** in donations with \$1,875.00 and is a member of the NKF's Top Fundraisers Club. Let's keep the momentum going! Nothing is too large or too small.

For those of you who are media savvy, the NKF now has its own Facebook account and Twitter profile. NKF is now busy tweeting out exclusive fundraising contests, etc., so type [@DFWKidneyWalks](#) or "LIKE" the [National Kidney Foundation Serving Texas' Facebook Page](#) for more updates. Don't forget to post a message about the Fort Worth Kidney Walk to your Facebook page.

The Fort Worth Kidney Walk is one of the few remaining walks that does not have a registration fee to sign up. However, the NKF encourages every walker to set an initial goal of \$100, which could amount to asking 10 friends for \$10 each. Raising \$100 will get you a commemorative t-shirt on the day of the Walk. Please join WILLIAM NOLAN, MARY PITTMAN, SHARON ZSCHIRNT, LARRY and me for this great cause.

Don't forget about Matching Gift Programs. Does your employer have one? This is a great way to double your money for this great cause.

Join your [CORVETTES FOR NKF team](#) on April for a short walk to save a life. Thank you.

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At the April 3rd membership meeting and each CTV membership meeting thru September, I will be selling orange \$1 raffle tickets with half of the proceeds going directly to the NKF. [NOTE: The other half of the proceeds will go to the lucky holder of the first orange ticket drawn after CTV's TMS dinner in September.] At the end of each CTV membership meeting, a ticket will be drawn for a special gift. [NOTE: the ticket drawn will still be eligible for the 50-50 prize, as well as any door prizes, at CTV's TMS weekend. By the way, you will also have an opportunity to purchase the orange \$1 NKF tickets at CTV's TMS event until the drawings are held on Saturday night. Don't forget...all monies are tax-deductible. I will gladly take checks or cash.

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