

PRESS RELEASE—2011 VICTORIAN CLASSIC

EUREKA SPRINGS - Plans are shaping up for the 29th Annual running of the VICTORIAN CLASSIC 10K Run - 2 Mile Run - 2 Mile Walk in Historic Eureka Springs Arkansas on Saturday, March 12th, 2011. The Victorian Classic is a Rotary Club of Eureka Springs event to benefit ECHO, the Eureka Springs Free Health Clinic and the Carroll County Food Banks (Flint Street Food Bank and Loaves & Fishes Food Bank).

The 10K course is among the most scenic of any run slated each year in the region, with hillside views of hardwood forests, historic homes and businesses located along the Kings Highway and Hwy 62 Historic loop. The course includes challenging hills plus flat and fast ridge running stretches. Both start and finish is located at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks, which is serving as the Host Hotel. The Inn of the Ozarks is offering race participants special rates for Friday night.

A wine and cheese social will be held in conjunction with the pre-registration packet pick-up on Friday, March 11th, 4-6 p.m. at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center. Pre-registration pick-up will continue prior to Saturday's race from 7-9 a.m. along with registration. The Eureka Springs Historical Museum is hosting their annual Souper Soup Luncheon following the race.

Groups are welcomed and encouraged for the 2 Mile Fun Walk. Gather your social group, church group, work group, downtown group or uptown group and choose a theme. Have your group dress up and have fun during the walk and then make it a day in beautiful Eureka Springs.

The gun will go off for all events at 9:00 am sharp. The Awards Ceremony will begin at 10:30 am following the completion of the Victorian Classic with awards being offered three deep in the Overall male/female, three deep Masters male/female, three deep in five-year age brackets up 75 male/female. In addition, awards are given to the top 10 male/female and finisher medals for finishers 12 and under in the 2 Mile Run and 2 Mile Walk.

Collectible art t-shirts are guaranteed to the first 200 entrants. Once again, Blakeley Wilson has designed the original Victorian Classic artwork that will be featured on the official T-shirt and collectible winner mugs.

Entry fees are: \$20 for pre-registered runners/walkers if received by March 1st and \$25 for race day entries. Come for the weekend and enjoy the beauty of the Ozarks!

For more information on the VICTORIAN CLASSIC 10K Run - 2 MILE RUN/WALK please contact Lynn at (870) 926-4684 or victorianclassic@gmail.com or go to www.eurekarotary.org for registration forms.