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St. Luke's Cancer Connection is committed to improving the level of cancer care in the greater Lehigh Valley and surrounding communities.

St. Luke's Cancer Centers:

1600 Riverside Circle
Easton, PA 18045

801 Ostrum Street
Bethlehem, PA 18015

240 Cetronia Road
Allentown, PA 18014

Learn why healing begins at St. Luke's Cancer Center. Call St. Luke's InfoLink toll-free at 1-866-STLUKES (785-8537).

Women's 5-K Classic – Race for Life

Some races are for kicks; some are for glory; this race is for LIFE!

Since 1993, the Women's 5K Classic has been supporting organizations across the greater Lehigh Valley through the proceeds of their annual 5K. Their mission is to promote fitness among women; to support women with breast and female cancers; to contribute to funding for related programs and research; and to educate women about cancer awareness, prevention and treatment. Their event tagline – **Some races are for kicks; some are for glory; this race is for LIFE!** – has become well-known throughout our community.

Several years ago, Nancy Conrad, one of the members of the Women's 5K Classic Board of Directors and Grant Committee, recognized that not every woman undergoing breast cancer treatment has a support system. Nancy had just gone through the rigors of cancer treatment herself and could not imagine what she would have done without the support system of friends, family and various medical professionals who helped her through the trials and tribulations of her cancer treatments.

Nancy and members of the W5K Grant Committee discussed ways to assist women who don't have access to resources to help them through their cancer journey. Members of the Women's 5K Classic Committee met with the St. Luke's Cancer Support Services team and created a discretionary fund for the social workers to use to help meet the unique needs of individuals undergoing cancer treatment.

Since the fund has been established, hundreds of patients who struggle to pay for medications, transportation, insurance or any number of financial challenges – distractions that keep patients from focusing on what is most important, getting well – have been the beneficiaries of this very special fund. Thank you Women's 5K for giving hope, encouragement and assistance to so many of our cancer patients!

Should you wish to donate to the St. Luke's Social Work fund, please go to www.slhn.org and make a gift online.

Below, St. Luke's employees joined forces to participate in the 2011 Women's 5K Classic.

