

MAJOR ARTERY REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

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MARC Races to Cure Local Mom

April 16, 2008 – For the second consecutive year, the Major Artery Revitalization Committee (MARC) tries to run down a cure in the 29th annual Broad Street Run. This year they are raising funds for a local mother stricken with breast cancer.

In October of 2007, Kim Bartol (Martinelli), a 36-year-old, mother of three at Our Lady of Calvary School, found a malignant lump in her breast. Since then, she's endured a bilateral mastectomy and intravenous chemotherapy. Although continuing to work as an ultrasound technician at the University of Pennsylvania, the physical, emotional and financial burden on her and her children remains enormous.

"Although she's an Archbishop Ryan H.S. grad," said MARC President John Byrne, who will be running in the May 4 race along with MARC Treasurer Christopher Creelman, "us Father Judge H.S. guys are always ready to lend a helping hand. Our schools may be athletic rivals but when it really matters and a community member needs some support, we're all on the same team."

To run with MARC and help raise money for this worthy cause, call Creelman at 215-852-2068. Donations can also be made to the Kim Bartol Fund, c/o MARC, P.O. Box 8904, Philadelphia, PA 19135. Please make all checks payable to the Kim Bartol Fund. Any unused funds will be forwarded to the Rena Rowen Breast Cancer Center at the University of Pennsylvania.

MARC is a non-profit community revitalization organization in Northeast Philadelphia. For more information, call 215-332-MARC or visit www.marc-cleansweep.com.

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