

University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy Students Participate in Heart Walk

The 2008 Metro Jackson Heart Walk was a great success, raising over \$255,000 to fight heart disease and stroke. Key to the success of this event was the hard work of the volunteers. The Volunteer Logistics Committee was responsible for the logistical operations of the day. Ninety percent of this committee were pharmacists or pharmacy students. In addition to making sure the event went smoothly with over 3,500 walkers present, these volunteers advocated for "You're the Cure" and "Go Red for Women," also American Heart Association cause initiatives. Volunteers recruited participants to sign a statewide petition supporting a smoke-free Mississippi.

The School of Pharmacy participated as a team, recruiting 69 members and raising approximately \$1400. The team was initiated and organized by students Terrell Boler, Jessica

Dana, and Amber Holdiness. These Team Captains also served as the Co-Chairs for the 2008 Volunteer Logistics Committee under the direction of Debbie Minor.

The contribution of pharmacists and pharmacy students in the Metro Jackson Heart Walk is an active model of ASHP's 2015 Health-System Initiative. Advocating for a smoke-free Mississippi, increasing risk factor awareness, and supporting public health education are prime examples of initiatives targeting community health. Participating in this event enhanced the image of pharmacists as caring and compassionate healthcare providers within the community. We showed that pharmacists can have an impact on health and awareness in the community outside the usual scope of pharmacy. The Heart Walk was a great way to end national Pharmacy Week 2008.



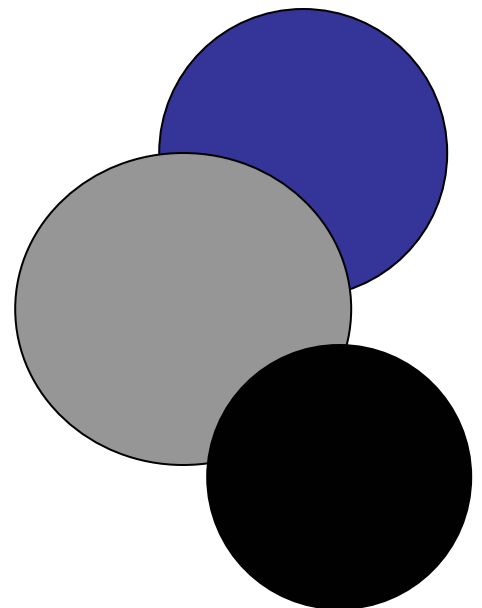
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Volunteers stand on the steps of the State Capitol before the Jackson-Metro Heart Walk on September 26. Approximately 60 of the volunteers that carried out the logistics of the day were pharmacists or student pharmacists.

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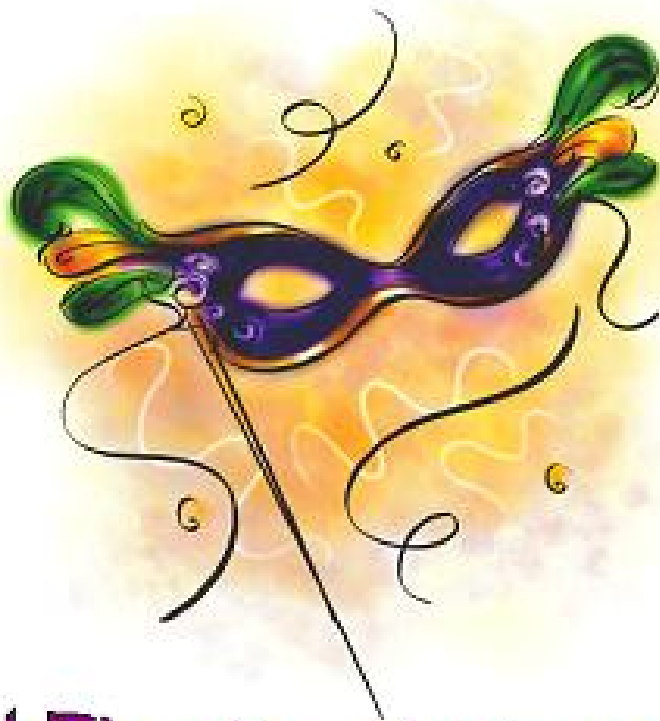
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