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Registration now open for milestone 15th Annual Town of Palm Beach United Way Turkey Trot race on Thanksgiving Day

Cara and Jared McClure pass chairmanship of race committee to Francesca and William Finck and Gabrielle and Scott Fricker

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PALM BEACH, FL – The Town of Palm Beach United Way is now accepting registrations for its 15th Annual Turkey Trot 5K race on Thanksgiving Day in Palm Beach. The family-friendly event is limited to 1,500 participants and sells out every year.

The 2023 Turkey Trot will be held on Thursday, November 23 at Bradley Park. The Kids Drumstick Dash is scheduled for 7:00 AM followed by the 5K race at 7:30 AM.

Francesca and William Finck and Gabrielle and Scott Fricker are new chairmen of the event committee known as The Islanders (roster attached). They take over the leadership role from **Cara and Jared McClure**, who started the Turkey Trot in 2009 and will remain honorary co-chairs.

“The Turkey Trot has not only been a tradition for our family, but for hundreds of families both near and far,” said Gabrielle Coniglio Fricker. “We look forward to sharing memories and making new ones at the 15th anniversary race.”

Added Francesca Coniglio Finck: “We are so honored and excited to be co-chairing this milestone race that my sister and brother-in-law, Cara and Jared McClure, and the Town of Palm Beach United Way have built over the years to serve our community. The impact this race continues to have on so many lives reminds us of the true meaning of Thanksgiving.”

In addition to the race, the Turkey Trot event features children’s activities, raffle prizes, and an awards ceremony. All participants receive a signature finisher medal, t-shirt, and race bag. The top two male and female finishers in their age group receive trophies.

Registration is \$35 per person through September 30, 2023. The price increases to \$50 in October and \$100 in November. Registration for the Drumstick Dash is \$5 for children 6 and under and is limited to the first 125 registrants. Visit www.palmbeachunitedway.org/turkey-trot to register or call 561-655-1919. Participants are encouraged to sign up early as the race is expected to sell out.

Race proceeds provide Thanksgiving meals to children and adults in need throughout Palm Beach County. Last year, thanks to participants and sponsors, the Town of Palm Beach United Way provided 4,984 meals to clients at 19 local nonprofit agencies.

“Nobody should have to go without a hot meal for the holiday,” said **Bill Tiefel**, chairman of the Board of Trustees. “The Turkey Trot is a wonderful way to spend Thanksgiving with family and to be a part of the community while also giving back to those less fortunate.”

The race is made possible with the generous support of Premier Sponsor **Livingston Builders**; Title Sponsors **Douglas Elliman Real Estate | Cara Coniglio McClure and Lisa Wilkinson, Findlay Galleries**, and **Palm Beach Police and Fire Foundation**; Platinum Sponsor **Bruce Gendelman Insurance Services**; and Gold Sponsors **Caraccio Pools Construction and Christian Angle Real Estate**. Interested sponsors should call 561-655-1919.

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