



**American Cancer Society's "Furrst" Annual
Bark For Life of Holmes County**

Even our canine friends can help find a cure! Dog lovers are getting ready to celebrate Relay For Life with their four legged loved ones by participating in the American Cancer Society's Bark For Life of Holmes County. The American Cancer Society Bark For Life of Holmes County is a noncompetitive walk event for dogs and their owners to raise funds and awareness for the American Cancer Society's fight against cancer.

Dogs of all types are invited to join the "Furrst" Annual Bark For Life of Holmes County. The event celebrates cancer survivorship, honors loved ones lost to cancer, and provides an opportunity for dog lovers and our canine friends to support the American Cancer Society's efforts to save lives and create more birthdays.

"We are so excited about our first annual Bark For Life event in our area," said Shannon Carpenter, Bark For Life Chair. "It presents an opportunity for people to be empowered through their canine companion partnerships and to contribute to cancer cures through the mission of the American Cancer Society. We would like to invite everyone out to enjoy this fun event and support a great cause."

Bark For Life of Holmes County will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at the Holmes County Fairgrounds by the Grandstand from 10 am until 2pm. Participants can register the day of the event starting at 9am. Registration is \$5 per dog and for each registered dog, the owner will receive a doggie bag. The community is invited to bring their canine friend and join us for a fun-filled day starting with a walk, then continuing with contests and various vendors. (There will be a \$1 fee for dogs to enter each contest.) Contests to enter include biggest dog, smallest dog, most barks, looks the most like the owner, and best dressed/costume. Contests start at 10:30am and run until 12:30 pm. Please remember dogs must be on a leash, up to date with vaccinations, and please be ready to clean up after your four legged friends!!

Last year, Bark For Life canine events were held in more than 100 locations nationwide. The actual Relay For Life Event For Holmes County is June 18th and 19th starting at 6pm at West Holmes High School.



Registration forms can be mailed to Shannon Carpenter at Box 306, Holmesville, Ohio 44633 or for more information email Shannon at 2bullies@live.com or call 330-279-4117.