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BY R. DELUNA

5K run honors Bryan citizen, raises \$9 thousand for cancer research

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The Battalion

Runners and walkers in the 12th annual Bill Thomason 5K Memorial Run/Walk helped raise \$9,000 Saturday for the American Cancer Society (ACS).

There were 450 participants in the race honoring Bill Thomason, a Bryan citizen who died of cancer in 1988.

Christian Galindo, event director, said a record amount of money was raised Saturday.

"Each year the race grows and raises more money," he said. "This year was no different, with a net of \$9,000 raised for the American Cancer Society."

Galindo said the race succeeded in honoring Thomason.

"His friends and family members come out each year to remember Bill," he said. "Bill's memory in itself makes today a special day."

Jennifer Peacock, an ACS representative, said every fundraising event impacts finding a cure for cancer. She said 21 percent of funds raised for the ACS are spent on cancer research.

According to the ACS Website, the annual, national cost of cancer is \$107 billion. This includes \$37 billion for direct medical costs, \$11 billion for lost productivity due to illness and \$59 billion for lost productivity due to premature death.

The race was certified by the USA Track and Field Association and the Runners Club of America to officially recognize and record



Dr. Carl Gabbard (left), A&M professor of kinesiology, and Ed Coon, 41-year-old Bryan resident, participate in the Bill Thomason 5K Memorial Run/Walk Saturday.

course times. The course times could not be recognized, however, because more than half of the participants were guided off the official course.

Galindo said the person leading the runners had not studied the course map and led the runners two miles off the course. He said next year more attention will be paid in organizing duties assigned to the volunteer staff.

Participants in the race competed for trophies in gender and age categories.

Dave Hartman, 26, placed first among the men, and Gretchen Dunnaway, 21, placed first among

the women.

Members of the Corps of Cadets volunteered at the race, and the course at Aerofit Health Business Center on Villa Maria.

Frank Shields, a member of the Corps of Cadets, said the race was a great opportunity for the Corps to get involved in the community.

"It is very easy to get tied up in your own activities and forget about the needs of the community," he said. "Volunteering in this race helps to remind you of the big picture."

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By Mel

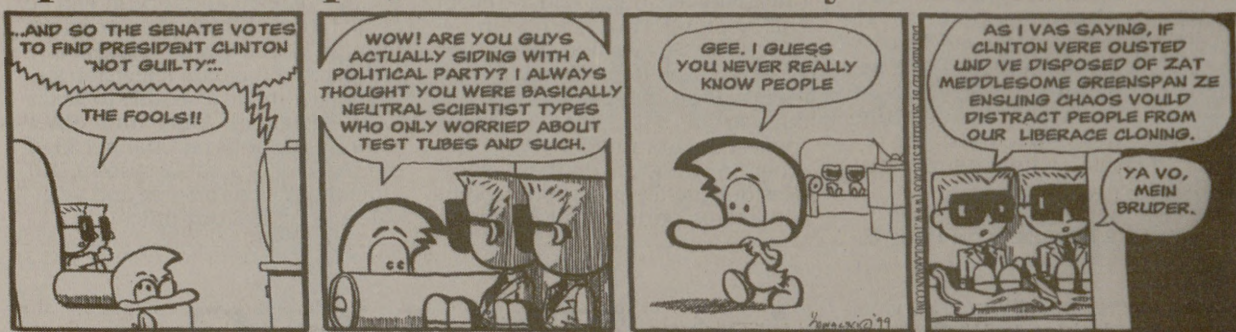
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"An Anchor to Windward: The Maine Connection," is a rotating exhibit depicting the history of Kennebunkport, Maine, the Bush and Walker families' summer home. Dr. David Alsobrook, director of the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum, said the exhibit includes clothing and artifacts representing the history of Kennebunkport.

More than 100 photographs of the Bushes' vacations in Kennebunkport are included in the exhibit. The exhibit is primarily a historical display, but it also shows why the Bush family loves that part of the country. Alsobrook said

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