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2012 CenturyLink WhistleStop Marathon and Half-Marathon Electronic Newsletter #1

Race Start Times
8am - Half Marathon and 5K & 10K
9am - Full Marathon



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Event Guide

If you are registered your WhistleStop Event guide has been mailed. The Event Guide is a publication covering the entire WhistleStop weekend from Race Registration to the Brews & Blues Festival, and all pertinent information in between. We will also continue sending E-Newsletters to keep you informed.

Registration is still open

Registrations are still being accepted. You can register by mail by [downloading a registration form, online with active.com](#) until Thursday, October 11th until 10pm, or you can register (in person) on Friday, October 12th from 3:30pm until 9pm only at the Bay Area Civic Center in Ashland. **No Same day registration.**

Finisher Bag

In celebration of our 15th year, this years finisher will receive the **Ultimate WhistleStop Finisher Bag**. This duffle bag is valued at \$35.00 and is a great piece of luggage. [Click here to view the finisher bag.](#) Shirts will be available for purchase at the merchandise area inside the Bay Area Civic Center on Friday, October 12 and inside the heated tent on Saturday, October 13.

Race Start Times**8am Start Time** for the Half-Marathon and the 5K & 10K**9am Start Time** for the Full Marathon**Switching of Races**

After September 24th to October 11th Marathon registrants will be allowed to switch to the Half Marathon, if requested in writing or by email, a race change will cost an additional \$10.00. Call our office for more information 715-682-2500.

No race changes will be allowed after October 11, 2012.**No Refund Policy**

Entry fees are not refundable.

Advanced Tickets**Friday Night** - Each runner for the Half and Full Marathon will receive one Free Fish Boil & Pasta Feed Ticket. Additional tickets will be \$10.50 for Adults and \$5.50 for children 12 & under.

Saturday Night is one of the signature events of WhistleStop and we welcome everyone to join us at the Blues and Brews Fest. Great blues music and the opportunity to sample as many as 50 styles of beer from more than a dozen regional brewers. Listen to the fabulous sounds of "Milkbone", from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. as you enjoy the beer samples. Then at 10:00 p.m. get ready to party the night away to the music of "The Dweebs". ***The Blues and Brews Fest is for individuals 21 years and older.** Advanced tickets for the Blues and Brews Fest are \$20.00 with the Brew Sampling and \$15.00 without the sampling. **Ticket prices will be \$5.00 more at the door.**

To pre-purchase advance tickets call our office at 800-284-9484. or [click here for online purchase.](#)

Racer Stories

Hello , My name is Marcus R Tupy . My wife (Heide) and I have been running the 1/2 Marathon consecutively every year since 2000 . We've always enjoyed the experience rain or shine, snow ,cold or heat .Each year brings a great new challenge and a fun adventure and all the volunteers and organizers of the WhistleStop experience provide the best time on each run. I first decided to run WhistleStop 5 years after I received a kidney transplant . I was told by doctors not to run long distances after the operation (long distances being more than 1 mile! One of my surgeon's smoked cigarettes - go figure...).So after some time of retraining and inspiration from my Wife (a kick in the butt) We felt pretty good about trying out Grandmas Marathon. That went well. Which incidentally is how we found out about WhistleStop from a flyer in the race packet. We ran the 3rd WhistleStop 1/2 marathon in 2000 and have not stopped since. My kidney is still working well (even better with the running) and I don't plan to ever stop running this event , it's great . So I've proven that the Doctors don't know everything and I'm stronger than ever and having lots of fun! Thank God .Thanks Heide, and thank You WhistleStop!

Let us know your great race stories!

Why are you running? Do you represent a charity, an illness, a support group, are you a first time marathoner, a 50th marathoner or if you have run all 15 WhistleStops? Whatever the reason, we want to celebrate with you. Please e-mail your stories to ashchamb@centurytel.net

Did you know?

- *Did you know* there is now a tunnel under the highway that connects the downtown to the waterfront trail? It is superb for walking or riding a bicycle.

Lodging

If you are in need of assistance in finding lodging for the WhistleStop Marathon please call us at the chamber office 800-284-9484. We will help you find the nearest lodging for your needs.

Sponsors

For a list of the WhistleStop sponsors go to www.whistlestopmarathon.com. Please support our sponsors.

WhistleStop Video

Have you seen the WhistleStop video? [Click here.](#)

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