

Online Registration:

at runsignup.com

<https://www.runsignup.com/Race/TX/Arlington/TheGayHappyRace5K1MileRunWalk>
at active.com

http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=2003399

Course Map:

<http://www.usatf.org/routes/view.asp?rID=379420>

Photos:

<http://www.movin-pictures.com>

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Our racing mission continues to be to produce affordable, hedonistically fun & athletically competitive races that also benefit some charity(-ies) with a populist & gender parity focus – for the average runner/walker (including the novices) and also for the seasoned, serious racer.

Life – this beautiful gift from a loving God – always should be celebrated in its entirety, in all its forms & persuasions – whatever they are. Through it all -- its ups & its downs, its highs & its lows, its pains & its pleasures, its gains & its losses, its goodies & its goofs, its gladness & its sadness, its thick & its thin, its achievements & its disappointments, its successes & its failures, its weeping & its laughing, its soaring & its sinking, its ecstasies & its agonies, its hills & its valleys, its light & its darkness, its summers & winters & springs & autumns, its sunshine & its rainfall, its ice & its steam, its cold & its heat, its comings & its goings, its beginnings & its endings, its ancients & its fledglings, its large & its little, its sprints & its strolls, its mourning & its dancing... -- we should remain joyful, happy and gay . The psalmist tells us, “This is the day which the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it” – Psalm 118:24. The hymn by Sydney Carter (1963) invites us to “Dance, dance, wherever you may be; / I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.” And so we bring you The Gay/Happy Race 5K / 1 Mile on Feb 18th. This race celebrates life! Come dance with us!

Net proceeds from the race will benefit Girls Inc. of Tarrant County -- *“inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold.”*

More info -- including online registration -- is available on the Web at <http://www.runningintheusa.com/jeph> The race flyer/entry form can be downloaded from this Web page.

Feb 18 0900 The Gay/Happy Race IV 5K / 1 Mile Run/Walk,
River Legacy Parks, Arlington, TX 76006 .
817-265-4578 / www.runningintheusa.com/jeph
Benefits Girls Inc. of Tarrant County.

DETAILS:

WHAT: The Gay/Happy Race (#IV) 5K / 1 Mile Run/Walk

(With gaiety & joy, celebrates life in its entirety, as a beautiful gift from God, in all its forms & persuasions – whatever they are.)

WHEN 9:00 AM, Saturday, 2/18/2012 [1M @ 9:00 AM; 5K @ 9:30 AM]

WHERE: Elm Grove Pavilion, River Legacy Parks, 701 NW Green Oaks Blvd (near the intersection of N. Cooper & NW Green Oaks), Arlington, TX 76006

One can get directions from the 'Net, by, for example, going to www.yahoo.com, clicking on "Maps" and then on the "Get Directions" link OR www.MapQuest.com. The location address for the race would be 701 NW Green Oaks (Arlington, TX 76006).

HOW MUCH: **5K** \$10 Mail-in by 2/14/12 ; \$10 Walk-in at The Runner, 3535 W. Pioneer Pkwy, Arlington, TX 76013 thru 2/17/12; \$15 Race day; \$10 (plus processing fee) Online thru 2/16/12

1 MILE \$5 at any time

Entry forms are available at most area running stores or by e-mail from jephaa@yahoo.com or can be downloaded at <http://www.runningintheusa.com/jeph> Online registration also can be accessed at <http://www.runningintheusa.com/jeph>

BENEFITS: Net cash proceeds will benefit

* Girls Inc. of Tarrant County;
plus donated school supplies (for Girls Inc.).

Reference Themes: "Play me a melody when I am **gay**./.../The tempo quick, or let rhythm sway;/.../ When I am **sad**, sound not a note;" – Musicomania, poem by Daisy Walker, 1936.

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This charity 5K/1M – like all our other charity fundraiser 5K/1M races – is not only athletically competitive & fun as well as socially activist & sharing, but also is priced very affordably (*with no similar or charity race around here on the same day even close in price – running club races are irrelevant vis-à-vis this bold claim*). It offers the unalloyed joy of unencumbered, *reckless-abandon* running/walking for *free spirits* who embrace our at-once simple but complex humanity and are moved to celebrate and share the ethos, excitement, substance & wonder of their existence with fellow humankind! It is meticulously & professionally produced & scored by active & passionate real racers who are familiar with the different aspects & nuances of road racing and who understand and cater to fellow racers & their needs. It presents very robust & inclusive award brackets – from 6 & Under to 80 & Over. Come celebrate with us!