****ATTENTION MEDIA****
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****MEN WILL "WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES"****
****MEDIA INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT****

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Open Arms Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Services presents the 2nd Annual Walk A Mile In Her Shoes®: The International Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence on Saturday, April 24, 2010, at Findlay's Riverside Park.

This communication serves as your invitation to participate in live coverage of the event. Please respond by Wednesday, April 21 if you will attend the event.

Walk A Mile In Her Shoes® asks men to raise awareness about sexual assault and domestic violence by marching one mile in women's high heeled shoes. The walk will replace Open Arms' traditional Bird House Auction fundraiser, as proceeds from sponsored walkers will benefit Open Arms. Walkers have the option to "buy out" and trade in their heels for flip-flops if the task of walking one mile becomes too challenging. A children's area, food vendors and walker prizes will provide fun for the whole family.

Walkers can challenge a friend to walk or obtain an individual walker form online at www.openarmsfindlay.org. Businesses and organizations are encouraged to register a team for the event. The registration fee for adults is $20, or $10 with own heels, and $10 for students. Boys 16 years old and under can walk free with an adult. The registration fee is waived for those who raise $200 or more in pledges. The adult and student walkers with the highest amount of pledges will win the grand prize.

Event Details:
Saturday, April 24
Riverside Park, Band Shell, Findlay & Coordinating Parade Route
Registration: 10 a.m.
Opening Ceremony: 11:30 a.m.
Walk Start: 12:15 p.m.
Reception & Awards: 1 p.m.

For more information about the walk, visit the Open Arms website at www.openarmsfindlay.org.
For more information about Walk A Mile In Her Shoes®, visit www.walkamileinhershoes.org.

Open Arms Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis services is a nonprofit agency supported in part by the Hancock County United Way. Open Arms provides six program services to those living and working in the greater Hancock County community. The six programs include Rape Crisis Services, Child Advocacy, Violence Recovery Project, Outreach Services, the Harmony House Visitation & Exchange program, and Emergency Shelter Services. The 24-hour Crisis Hotline is 419-422-4766. Join us at our blog at openarmsfindlay.blogspot.com for updates on our everyday life here at Open Arms.

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