

Chatham residents will run for their turkey at 7th annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot

CHATHAM TWP. - As a kick-off to the Holiday Season, The Chatham Turkey Trot will host its 7th annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot in the Highlands section of Chatham Township.

In 2014, more than 750 runners registered for the one-mile Family Fun Run and USA Track & Field certified 5K race raising more than \$19,000. Since 2009, The Chatham Turkey Trot has raised more than \$60,000 for the Chatham Twp. Volunteer Fire Department and the Diabetes Research Institute due to the support of Chatham residents and local businesses.

"We are pleased to kick off the holiday season with the running of the seventh annual Chatham Turkey Trot in Chatham Township on Thanksgiving Day," said Chatham Township Deputy Mayor Curt Ritter, founder and president of Chatham Turkey Trot. "Over the years, the Chatham Turkey Trot has become a family holiday tradition that offers expert and novice runners alike the opportunity to spend time with family and friends, raise funds for two great organizations and break a sweat before the big meal."

The Family Fun Run will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 26, at the corner of Seminole Way and 110 Van Houton Avenue. The 5K kicks off at 9 a.m.

The Chatham Township Volunteer Fire De-

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partment will hang a 50-foot American flag from 100-foot

ladder truck, "Ladder 12," above the race course as runners race through one of the most scenic neighborhoods of Chatham Township.

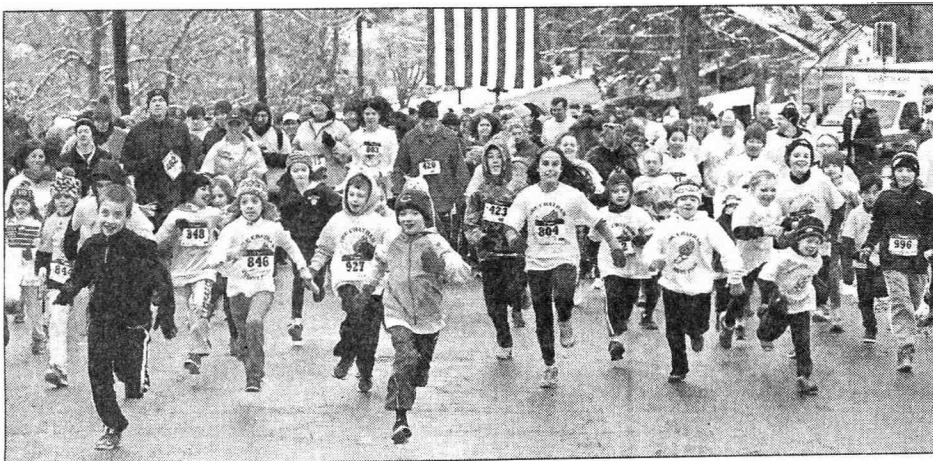
An award ceremony will be held after the race at 9:50 a.m.

All those who register before Monday, Nov. 16 at 5 p.m. will receive a free tee shirt. Early registration is \$15 per person for the Family Fun Run and \$20 for the 5K race. Race day registration opens at 8 a.m. and costs \$25 per person for either race.

Checks should be made out to "The Chatham Turkey Trot."

Register and pay online at www.thechathamturkeytrot.org. Prospective sponsors should email Curt Ritter, president, at thechathamturkeytrot@gmail.com or view the "Sponsors" tab on the website.

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Runners take to the streets in last year's Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot.

