# OPERATION BRAZOS COUNTY WALK ACROSS TEXAS 2021

Celebrating 24 Years of WAT Brazos County





OPERATION WALK ACROSS TEXAS
MISSION: POSSIBLE



The members of Texas

We are well on the way in year 24 of Walk Across Texas in Brazos County. We boast having 16 leagues and 1,228 individuals signed up. Thank you for accepting the mission to Walk Across Texas! Let's go!

#### IMPORTANT DATES-AT-A-GLANCE

- Proclamation-February 2, 2021
- Kick Off Event: February 13, 2021 🗹
- Event Dates: February 13, 2021-April 9, 2021
- February 13, 2021-February 19, 2021 (Week One) 🗹
- February 20, 2021-February 26, 2021 (Week Two)**√**
- February 27, 2021-March 5, 2021 (Week Three)
- March 6, 2021-March 12, 2021 (Week Four)
- March 13, 2021-March 19, 2021 (Week Five)
- March 20, 2021-March 26, 2021 (Week Six)
- March 27, 2021-April 2, 2021 (Week Seven)
- April 3, 2021-April 9, 2021 (Week Eight)
- Online registration extended deadline: February 24, 2021 🗹
- Weekly virtual workouts: February 24, March 3, March 10, March 17, March 31, and April 8
- The Announcement of Champions: April 28, 2021
- Celebration Event/Prize Patrol: April 28, 2021

A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating



Check out the Dinner Tonight recipe in this newsletter!

# **About the weekly e-news blast:**

- Team members are encouraged to enter mileage <u>daily</u>. Each week's e-news will cover the <u>Saturday</u> through Friday week preceding the newsletter (Ex. Team and league placing are based on <u>miles walked</u> through week three; March 5 .)
- SEND pictures of your team in action, any upcoming team or community fitness events, or stories for the newsletter. PLEASE email them to Flora Williams at <a href="mailto:fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu">fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu</a>.
- Weekly e-news blast will arrive on or before Thursday of each week.

# **Top 100 Most Creative Team Names**

(Names were sent out for judging. The top 100 Most Creative Team Names are listed below and still in the running for overall most creative name

- "Four Score and Seven Blisters Ago"
- 16 Feet with Sole
- Becky's Toddling Troup
- Blister Sisters
- Bolls of Steel
- Bringing Healthy Back
- Buns on a Run
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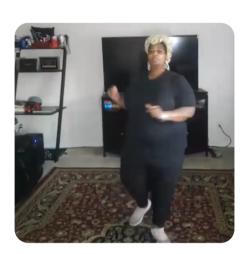
# **Week Three Highlights**

#### Thank you to Harris County Master Wellness Volunteer KeKe Stueart for the Virtual Dance Party March 3, 2021 via Zoom

If you desire to learn a new line dance, this is an easy one to go back, view, and do.

#### Learn how to become a Master Wellness Volunteer <u>here</u>.

Master Wellness Volunteers go through 40 hours of training and give back 40 hours of volunteering to leverage Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's outreach and education related to health, nutrition, food safety and family wellbeing in the communities where they live and work.







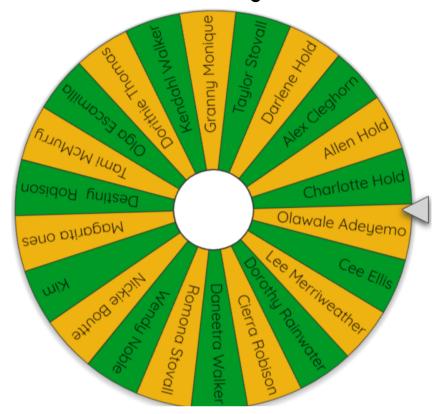
**Basic line dancing steps:** 

- Cha Cha Cha A 3 step movement counted to 2 beats. A triple step counted 1 & 2. Usually done on the spot.
- Charleston A 4 step pattern. Step forward kick or tap, step back, touch behind. Counted 1 2 3 4.
   Sometimes starts with a tap forward.
- Flick A low kick using the ankle and flexed knee.
- Grapevine A four step travelling movement counted 1234. Step to side, step behind, step to side and last step can be either a stomp, brush, kick or hitch. Can also occur with turns.
- Heel Struts 2 step movement counted 1 2. A heel dig followed by slapping the ball of the foot down onto the floor.
- Hip Bump To rock the hips in any direction in single or double count action.
- Hold/Hesitation To pause or sustain the position for 1 or more beats.
- Rocking Chair Rock forward right foot, replace foot on left and rock backwards right foot and replace weight on left. Can be counted fast 1 & 2 or 1234 which is slow. Also can start on the left.
- Sailor Step A syncopated step. 3 step movement to 2 counts counted 1 & 2. Cross right behind left
  take the weight step left to the side take the weight step right to the side take the weight. Can be
  performed on the other side.
- Shuffle 3 Step movement taken to 2 beats counted 1 & 2. Can be taken forwards, backwards, sideways or cross shuffle. 2nd step can pass the first or be taken behind (also known as locking step)
- Stomp To strike the floor with the whole foot to emphasise the sound. With or without a transfer of weight.
- Weave Step right to the side cross left in front of right take the weight and step right to the right side and cross your left behind right. Can be performed on the other side.

Source: <a href="http://glasgowlinedancing.co.uk/line-dance-basic-steps/">http://glasgowlinedancing.co.uk/line-dance-basic-steps/</a>

## **Week Three Zoom Live VIPs**

See our list of VIPs on the wheel who signed in at the virtual workout!



View in the spinning wheel here.





Hosted by the Brazos County Family and Community Health Committee



# KICKING IT UP FOR YOUR HEALTH

Whether you prefer to exercise in the privacy of your own home or at a local gym, you will find dancing is a great way to relieve stress and burn calories. The wonderful part about dancing is that you do not have to follow a particular style to reap the health benefits.

If you are looking for a more organized dance, line dancing could be it. Line dancing does have its country and western influence BUT it does not have to be performed to country music. Line dances are usually easy to learn and include repeating steps.

Line dancing can help you lose weight, stay flexible, reduce stress and make new friends.

- Line dancing burns 200 to 375 calories an hour, depending on how fast you dance and how much floor you cover.
- Line dancing can improve your heart health, breathing and overall quality of life.
- Line dancing requires a lot of fast movement and good posture, so frequent dancing will help you stabilize and gain better control of your body.
- Line dancing offers an opportunity to be more social. Being socially engaged leads to increased happiness, reduced stress and a stronger immune system.
- Line dancing builds confidence and boosts memory by learning complex dance sequences. The more energy you put into a dance, the more vigorous your workout will be. A weekly dance program can increase your energy level.
- Line dancing helps improve your balance.
- Line dancing does not require specialized equipment or any prior dance experience. It's a great activity for all ages.









Source: <a href="https://swain.ces.ncsu.edu/2016/03/kicking-it-up-for-your-health/">https://swain.ces.ncsu.edu/2016/03/kicking-it-up-for-your-health/</a>

#### TEAM PLACINGS BY LEAGUES THROUGH WEEK THREE

# AgriLife Employee Wellness

- 1. Wandering Wildlanders 928.73
- 2. The Original Holy Walkamolies 812.58
- 3. HORT TREKKERS 780.74
- 4.EXTreme Speed 728.52
- 5. Making Strides 621.09
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- 7. Cancer Warriors 589.66
- 8. Bolls of Steel 519.71
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- 28. JoCo Joggers 124.22
- 29. Runs & Roses 113.86
- 30. The 2 Cobbs 101.6

## **Brazos County**

- 1. The Tax Squad 549.47
- 2. Brazos County Walking Warriors 511.5
- 3. Bomb Squad 502.3
- 4. Precinct 3 Sole Mates 495.38
- 5. Brazos DA Team One 457.29
- 6. County Attorney EZ Team 406.67
- 7. Red Hot Chili Steppers 390.91
- 8. Brazos County DA A Team 339.93
- 9. Cowgirl Up 332.68
- 10. Risky Record Walkers 306.7

#### **Diabetes Edition**

- 1.TX Tough/KY Strong
- 2. BMW to LMW 177.05

# **Health System Planners**

261.26

- 1. team pasta 467.97
- 2. Sydney's Team 342.93
- 3. Texas Two-Steppers 325.07
- 4. Mavericks 323.97
- 5. Happy Feet 195.9
- 6. Twinkle Toes 195.73
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- 11. The Health Planners 57.4
- 12. Wii Fit 19.78
- 13. Gimme Bonus 17
- 14. Studious Strollers 13
- 15. HOWDY RUN 12
- 16. TAMU Triumph 9
- 17. Jam & Co. 2

# **Laps for Laney**

- 1. LRC Healthy Driven Seniors 661.75
- 2. Laps4Laney 462.77
- 3. Laney Bugs 319.62

- 4.Team Fusion 257.07
- 5.Laney Boos 224.27

# TEAM PLACINGS BY LEAGUES THROUGH WEEK THR **MYCON** General **Contractors, Inc.**

- 1.MYCOOL 438.24
- 2. Stone Cold Steppin 340.67
- 3. What is That in Miles? 330.55
- 4. Butter's Walking Buddies 188.2

# **TAMU Division of** Research

- 1. DOR SUPER Tribe 547.8
- 2. DOR Mission Accepted 498.8
- 3. DOR Change Agents 427.7
- 4. DORmant Dynamites 393.07
- 5. DOR- Dream Team 388.75
- 6. DOR Not fast, Just furious 362.61
- 7. DOR Super Tribe Dorminators 353.94
- 8. DOR-MI"C"-you-on-the-treadmill 306.7
- 9. DOR COVID CRUSHERS 295.82
- 10. DOR ExSports Stars 294.16
- 11. DOR Cirque du Sore Legs 169.28
- 12. DOR RUSH 163.41

# **Texas A&M Engineering**

- 1. Fueled By Caffeine 539.55
- 2. ETID Hearts and Soles 510
- 3. Tough Engineers Enthusiastically Stepping 2. Holy Walkamolies! 462.21 (TEES) 486.13
- 4. The MEEN Team 485.83
- 5. Blister Sisters 451.77
- 6. Rapid Thigh Movement 385.72
- 7. Connected by Walk 270.67
- 8. Engineering IT Step-by-Step 238.69
- 9. TEES Trotters 219.98
- 10. NESC 185.1
- 11. Holy Walkamolies 172.05
- 12. EASA Vibe 103.91
- 13. All Alone 89.55

# Texas A&M Division of **Student Affairs**

- 1. United Rec Force 1324.78
- 2. Walk This Way! 1115.87
- 3. Twisted Blisters 743.37
- 4. Don't Stop Til You Step Enough 658.97
- 5. Run for Your ResLife! 657.76
- 6. The SHS Movers & Shakers 590.86
- 7. ODSL Legs Miserables 536.93
- 8. RECing The Dream 475.18
- 9. ODSL Queens of the Mile 465.64
- 10. Taco Walk on the Wild Side 460.6
- 11. Un-STEP-able 454.07
- 12. What a long strange trip it's been 436.75
- 13. Holy Walkamolies! 349.32
- 14. StuAct's New Kids on the Walk 330.36
- 15. Becky's Toddling Troup 318.04
- 16. Chafing the Dream 240.92
- 17. Team ELS 228.92
- 18. VRSC Mission Possible 227.13
- 19. Your Pace or Mine? 161.03
- 20. DMS Steppers 70.89

#### **Texas A&M Foundation**

- 1. Geoscience Trekkers 522.51
- 3. BCS Yard Goats 407.39
- 4. Three Armadillos 179.32
- 5. Your Pace or Mine? or "funny name" here 30.76

# **Texas A&M regiSTRIDES**

- 1. The Walkie Talkies 493.36
- 2. Degree JOG-It 414.49
- 3. Buns on a Run 338.42
- 4. Student Services Stompers 296.1
- 5. The Chosen Buns 287.21

#### **TEAM PLACINGS BY LEAGUES THROUGH WEEK THREE**

# Texas A&M Transportation Services

- 1. Spevtaculars 550.09
- 2. Walking 9 to 5 (HR) 419.56
- 3. CS Crew 184.31
- 4. RELLIS Sole Train 470.43
- 5. The Church of Walkatology 331.38
- 6. The Motley Crew 277.5
- 7. Feisty Females 223.98
- 8. Sole Beneficiaries 90.35

# **University Libraries**

- 1. Rogue Motion 452.45
- 2. Strictly Business 351.85
- 3. MSL Marvels 245.56
- 4. Press 'N On 221.22
- 5. The Mandalorian Misfits 193.86
- 6. Sole Mates 157.5
- 7. Cushing Panthers 26.2

## **Solo Teams-No League**

- 1. South Campus Poppers 580.92
- 2. Brazos County 559.56
- 3. The Perambulators 508.92
- 4. Dynacisers 21 467
- 5. Double the Fun Strollers 433.54
- 6. Socially Distant Sole Sisters 396.18
- 7.16 Feet with Sole 386.91
- 8. Spring in Our Step 383.01
- 9. Sole Sisters 346.61
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- 11. Peanut Butter & Jelly Legs 247.8
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- 16. Human Environmental Animal Team (H.E.A.T.) 155.99

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17. Chicks with Kicks 155.81

18.Kickin' Asphalt 148.9

19.Walk It Off 120.67

20.InterLibrary Sensation 117

21. Motionally Challenged 108.73

22.The ThreadRippers 107.93

23.Walk Across KBTeXas 103.1

# **We Are All Aggies**

- 1. Cops & Runners 781.82
- 2. Operation: Kill-O-Meters 536.96
- 3. Unleashed at CVMBS 523.58
- 4. Walk Ness Monsters 515.14
- 5. Operation: Witness the Fitness 504.78
- 6. Operation: Sole Survivors 494.89
- 7. College of Pharmacy Pharmily 485.68
- 8. See ya later, aggregator 434.73
- 9. S.W.A.T.T. Sprinters, Walkers and Trash Talkers 377.06
- 10. Phage Busters 346.81
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## SPOTLIG!T



Katie Breland and her K9, Mali walked during the winter storm.

<u>Team</u> Search Dog Walkers



What did you or your team do?

# The Mission: Accomplished 833 Club

Three teams joined the Mission: Accomplished 833 miles club in week three.

- United Rec Force
- Walk This Way!
- Wandering Wildlanders

Let's see how many teams will join them next week.



# VISIT dinnertonight.tamu.edu for healthy and tasty recipes!

Blackberries aren't just for desserts! Otherwise, plain chicken is taken to another level with savory blackberry and chipotle flavors. This recipe looks elegant but it actually really easy and fairly quick to make – give it a try this week!

# **Blackberry Chipotle Chicken**

# Ingredients Chicken

Instructions

1 pound chicken breast boneless, skinless and cut into 4 individual cutlets 1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

#### **Chipotle Blackberry Sauce**

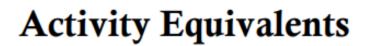
4 teaspoons olive oil extra virgin
1 medium shallot or sweet onion diced
2cups fresh blackberries
1 chipotle pepper in adobe sauce(canned),
diced

2 teaspoons brown sugar 1 Tablespoon balsamic vinegar

#### 1 Tablespoon mint leaves minced

- 1. Wash your hands and clean your preparation area. Preheat the oven to 375°F. Rinse any fresh fruits and herbs under cool running water to remove debris.
- 2. Sprinkle the salt and pepper on the chicken. In a nonstick pan heat up 2 teaspoons of the olive oil over medium-to-medium high heat. Place the chicken in the skillet and let brown for 3-5 minutes. Place chicken, browned side up, on a baking sheet.
- 3. Bake for 20–25 minutes or until internal temperature has reached 165°F.
- 4. While chicken is cooking in the oven, heat a 3-quart saucepan on medium-high heat. Add 2 teaspoons of olive oil and the diced shallots. Sauté for 3-4 minutes or until soft. Add blackberries, chipotle pepper, brown sugar, and balsamic vinegar. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer for 10 minutes.
- 5. Remove sauce from heat and let cool for 5 minutes. Serve the sauce over the chicken and top with mint leaves.

# Convert your physical activity to "miles walked"





Walk Across Texas! is a statewide, 8-week program that's free and open to everyone in the community! The goal of the program is to help people of all ages and abilities establish the habit of regular physical activity.

Is walking not your thing? No problem! Any activity can count towards your journey across Texas! Simply, we encourage you to move more and any activity is better than none!

Below are a variety of activities and guidance for you to calculate your daily mileage.

Remember, these are estimates!

Activity	Actual Miles/Minutes	Recorded Miles
Walking, typical pace (3 mph)	30 minutes =	1.5 miles
Running (6 mph)	10 minutes =	1 mile
Cycling/Mountain Biking (13 mph)	7 miles =	1 mile
Spinning (vigorous intensity)	30 minutes =	2 miles
Aerobics (moderate intensity)	30 minutes =	1.5 miles
Stairmaster (moderate intensity)	20 minutes =	1 mile
Swimming (50 yds./min)	15 minutes =	1 mile
Gardening, planting	30 minutes =	1.5 miles
Dancing (moderate intensity)	20 minutes =	1 mile
Steps measured with a pedometer	2000 steps =	1 mile
Any activity/exercise that makes you breathe hard and sweat.	20 minutes =	1 mile
Any activity/exercise that makes you breathe very hard and perspire heavily.	15 minutes =	1 mile

## To view a clear image of this chart, click <u>here.</u>

#### Example

Converting minutes of an activity to miles "walked":

#### Activity Equivalent:

Aerobics (moderate intensity) for 30 minutes = 1.5 miles "walked"

You participate in an aerobics class for 45 minutes and want to convert that activity to miles walked:

$$\frac{30 \text{ min.}}{1.5 \text{ miles}} = \frac{45 \text{ min.}}{\text{X miles}} = \frac{30 \text{ X}}{1.5 \text{ x 45}} = (\text{X} = 67.5 \div 30) = 2.25 \text{ miles}$$
"walked"

If your exercise of choice is not listed:

- Use a fitness device to measure miles
- Use the conversion of 20 minutes equals 1 mile (for moderate) or 15 minutes equals one mile (intense)

# Weekly virtual workout schedule

#### **Pilates**

March 10, 2021, Wednesday
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. via Zoom
https://tamu.zoom.us/j/94931734106?
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#### Yoga

March 17, 2021, Wednesday 12:00 noon via Facebook Live

#### Foam Roller Stretching

March 24, 2021, Wednesday
5:30 pm via Airrosti.com scheduler
<a href="https://go.airrosti.com/scheduler/event/DXW">https://go.airrosti.com/scheduler/event/DXW</a>
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#### **Brain Breaks**

March 31, 2021; Wednesday 11:45 a.m. via Facebook Live

#### Zumba

April 8, 2021; Thursday 12:00 noon via Zoom

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Tune in weekly for fun workouts and great door prizes! Some classes require pre-registration. See individual class details on next page.

Please attend as many as your schedule permits.



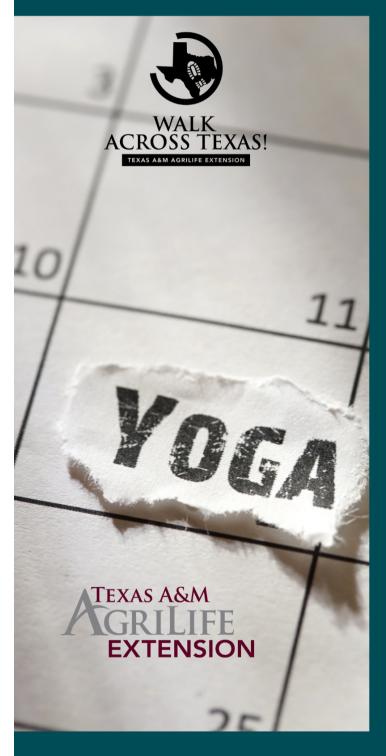
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# PILATES CLASS MARCH 10, 2021, WEDNESDAY 11:45 A.M.-12:30 P.M. VIA ZOOM

This Pilates mat session includes classical floor exercises that strengthen and lengthen all the muscles of the body. Plus increases flexibility and enhances posture. No prior Pilates experience is needed, this is geared to all levels of fitness. Comfortable workout attire and no shoes recommended. Hosted by Flourish at TAMU.

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MARCH 17, 2021
WEDNESDAY
12:00 NOON
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Join us for a lunchtime

relax & restore yoga.



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# FOAM ROLLER STRETCHING CLASS WITH AIRROSTI MARCH 24, WEDNESDAY 5:30-6:15 PM

REGISTER BY MARCH 19 AT
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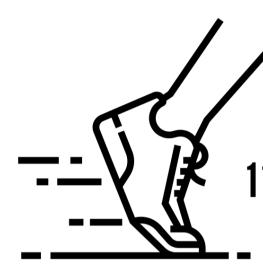
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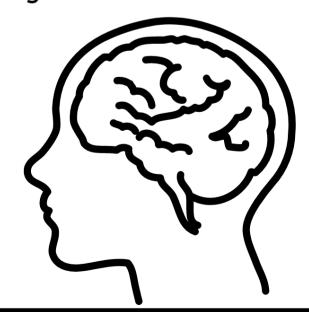


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# ZUMBA APRIL 8, 2021 THURSDAY 12:00 – 12:40 P.M. ZOOM CLASS

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- Most Creative Team Name
- Top Teams/Hall of Fame
- Random Drawing of Finishing **Teams**

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