

Pink Out Day and 5K Run Planned at SWOSU in Effort to Raise Money to Fight Cancer

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SWOSU Gold Tough Enough 5k Run Chairpersons (in the chairs) Jamie Rice (left) of Minco and Cailyn Russell of Tahlequah and committee members show off the pink shirts designed for the upcoming Pink Out event on February 18 during the SWOSU basketball games and the 5K run on March 31. Committee members (back from left) include: Curt Woolever, chemistry and physics professor; SWOSU Dean of Students Cindy Dougherty; Sarah Muggenborg, Oklahoma Hall director; Patricia Murthey, Dibble student; Peter Grant, biology professor; Krisha Shantz, American Cancer Society representative; Bikesh Dhakalb, Nepal student; and Zac Gulick, Enid student.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University students and faculty are planning a SWOSU Pink Out at the home basketball games on Saturday, February 18, in Weatherford to raise funds for the Custer County effort in fighting cancer.

Participants in the Pink Out will have the chance to win a hot pink iPad during the "Tough Enough to Wear Pink?" campaign that will benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event in April.

At the 1 and 3 p.m. SWOSU basketball games on the 18th, students will also be selling pink t-shirts for \$10. Participants will have the chance to win various prizes. The shirts are also available in Stafford Center 214.

"The Pink Out each year is an integral part of our fundraising efforts in Custer County," said Krisha Shantz, American Cancer Society community manager for income development. "The students at SWOSU do a fantastic job of organizing the event and making it fun for everyone. Money raised here funds cancer research and supports programs for Custer County patients."

The Relay for Life event will be April 20-21 in the Wellness Center on the SWOSU campus. Another event coming up to benefit the Relay for Life event is a 5K run. The SWOSU Gold Tough Enough 5K is March 31 on the SWOSU campus. Registration is underway for that event at signmeup.com.