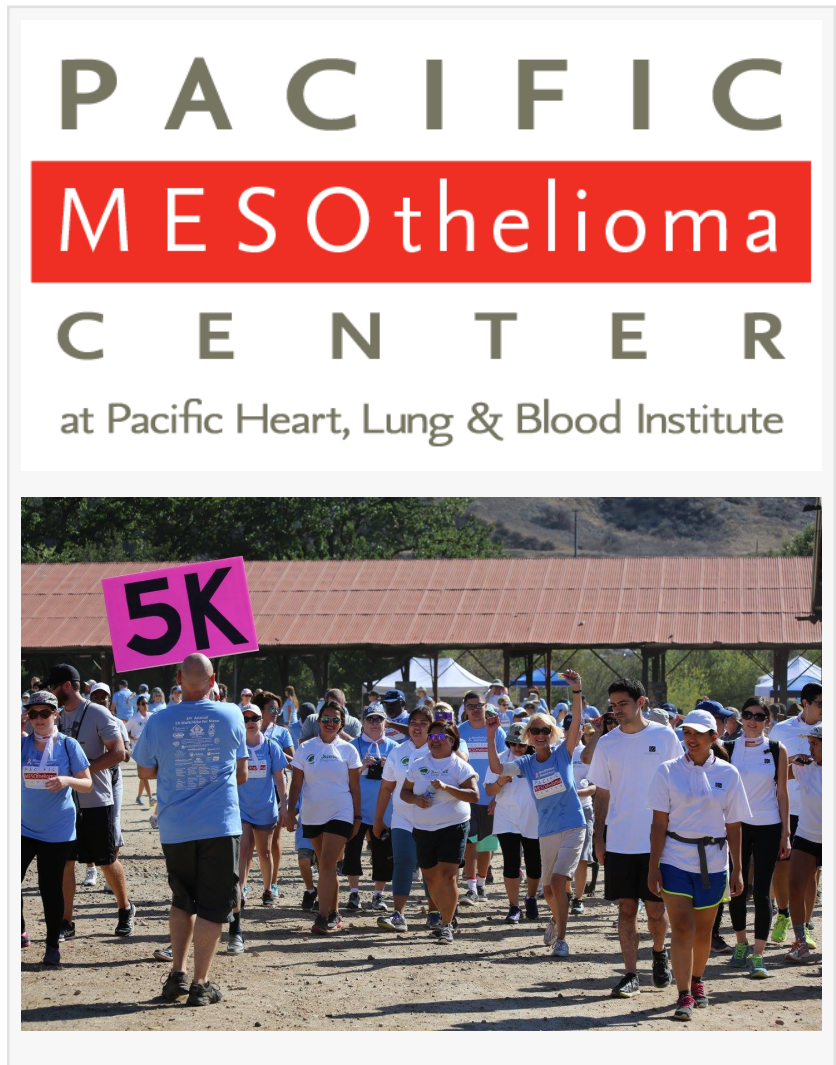


Making Strides for Mesothelioma Research: At the 6th Annual 5K Walk/Hike for Mesothelioma

Grab Your Walking Shoes and Join Us for the 6th Annual 5K Walk/Hike for Mesothelioma Research on Sunday, October 22nd at The Paramount Ranch in Agoura Hills

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, U.S., September 13, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Pacific Mesothelioma Center (PMC) a division of [the Pacific Heart, Lung & Blood Institute](#) (PHLBI) will hold its sixth [annual 5K Walk/Hike](#) for Meso on October 22, 2017, at the Paramount Ranch in Agoura Hills, CA. This year the walk will be hosted by CHiPS star and longtime Pacific Mesothelioma Center supporter Larry Wilcox who will use his humor and wit in his role as MC. With the previous year's success of over 400 participants and \$122,000 raised, the Pacific Mesothelioma Center is setting an ambitious \$150,000 goal for the walk this year. The PMC's mission is to find better treatment options for malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM), a devastating cancer caused by exposure to asbestos with sadly few treatment options. Mesothelioma affects thousands of people each year with a disproportionate number of those being veterans. The annual 5K walk raises awareness for mesothelioma and provides financial support for pioneering mesothelioma research.



The 5K Walk for Mesothelioma, presented by Worthington & Caron P.C, is the only annual 5K walk on the West Coast held to raise funds for mesothelioma research. Over the years the walk has brought together people who can personally relate to the cause and as a result, has fostered a community. Teams, consisting of family members and friends of those who died of mesothelioma, as well as supporting organizations and individual walkers, will gather together on October 22nd to raise awareness and funds.

The cost of registering for the walk is \$45 online and \$50 the day of the walk. Children 12 and under are admitted for free. Each registrant receives a light breakfast of donated fruit, muffins and coffee, and a PMC walk T-shirt before leaving on the 5K or 1-mile hike, and a medal upon completion. For

participants that do not want to walk or hike, bingo will be available. Create a team, join a team, or [register as an individual](http://www.phlbi.org/5k-walk-for-mesothelioma/) here: <http://www.phlbi.org/5k-walk-for-mesothelioma/>.

After the 5K there will be a catered lunch by famed Agoura Hills restaurant Italia's Deli, delicious Duvurger macaroons, live entertainment by The Six Billion Dollar Band, live auction, and an opportunity drawing. The opportunity drawing and auction offer great prizes including weekend getaways, exciting experiences, great restaurant packages, fun excursions, gift certificates, jewelry, and much more. All of the proceeds go directly to mesothelioma research.



“We are walking in honor of my father, Sal Oliveri and his team “Sal’s Meso Warriors”, said Nick Oliveri of Thousand Oaks. “My father recently underwent surgery by mesothelioma specialist, Dr. Robert B. Cameron to remove his mesothelioma tumors. We are overjoyed that he has been given a shot at extending his life and can think of no better way to show our support of this institute and to help raise funds for their important research program”.

The Pacific Mesothelioma Center at the Pacific Heart, Lung & Blood Institute is a 501(c) (3) non-profit medical research institute that provides the promise of future treatment breakthroughs by exploring innovative ideas, educating the public on asbestos-related diseases and finding the best treatment options for newly diagnosed patients with mesothelioma.

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