

EVENT INFORMATION

The annual Benhaven Walk for Autism is set to return on Sunday, October 13, 2024! **We are excited to move this year's event to New Haven's Lighthouse Point Park!** Last year's event drew nearly 400 walkers raising nearly \$70,000! We received excellent media coverage including WTNH live spots.

Walkers receive many perks including t-shirts and a post-walk celebration with music, food, a raffle and more!

Funds raised from this event directly benefit the lives of those Benhaven serves with enhanced community-based programs, new technologies, and enriching experiences.



EVENT COORDINATOR

JB Sports coordinates 20 running and walking events annually, including the New Haven Labor Day Road Race and Christopher Martin's Christmas Run for Children. With nearly 30,000 participants, these events raise nearly \$1,000,000 for worthy charities and non-profits annually.



ABOUT BENHAVEN

Benhaven's mission is to enable people with autism and developmental disabilities to participate in community life, exercise productive control over their own lives, have meaningful relationships and associations, be gainfully employed, and experience happiness and personal satisfaction.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR?

Contact:
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Please make checks payable to:

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c/o JB Sports
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Branford, CT 06405

6TH ANNUAL BENHAVEN

NEW LOCATION!



October 13, 2024

Lighthouse Park
New Haven, CT



DONATION AND FUNDRAISING FOR BENHAVEN

Honoring the Life & Legacy of Larry Wood

Larry retired as Benhaven's Executive Director in 2016, after over 40 years as a humble and revered leader at Benhaven. Larry passed away in South Carolina on May 20, 2024.

Larry liked to say that he had held every position at the School, except for school nurse. Larry never stopped envisioning a better life for the people we support and their families. And he often rolled up his sleeves and did whatever was needed at the time to help make that happen. The last several years before his retirement, he made his way to the School every single afternoon to help answer phones and manage end-of-day routines. He knew everyone's name. If you'd spoken to him about something in your life, he remembered it. He made you feel like you were the most important person whenever you spoke to him.

Larry mentored scores of Benhaven employees. He was incredibly smart and wanted to share what he knew. He encouraged us to grow beyond what we thought was possible for ourselves. He will be sorely missed by those of us who knew him.



His legacy lives on at Benhaven in who we are and what we do!

REGISTRATION

Those who donate or raise \$200 or more earn a complimentary entry to the Benhaven Walk for Autism. Create a fundraising page during online race registration. Once you have raised \$200, you will automatically be refunded your entry fee.

Walk Application:

Return form to:

Benhaven, 2 Buena Vista Road, Branford, CT, 06405

Registration Fees

	<u>Student (Under 22)</u>	<u>Adult</u>
Before 9/8/24	\$15.....	\$25
After 9/9/24	\$20.....	\$30
October 13th	\$25.....	\$35

First: _____

Last: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

DOB: _____

WAIVER: I know that walking 2 miles may be a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and walk unless I am medically able and properly trained. I also know that although police protection will be provided, there will be traffic on the course route. I assume the risk of running in traffic. I also assume any and all other risks associated with running this event and its related activities, including but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, and the condition of the roads, intake of food and beverage provided at the race or health expo; all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry fee, I hereby, my heirs, executors, administrators or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue, and waive, release and discharge the Benhaven, John Bysiewicz, JB Sports LLC, City of New Haven, Race Officials, Volunteers, any and all sponsors including their agents, employees, assigns or anyone acting on their behalf from any and all claims or liability for death, personal injury or property damage of any kind or nature whatsoever arising out of, or in the course of, my participating in this event. This release and waiver extends to all claims of every kind or nature whatsoever, foreseen or unforeseen, known and unknown. The undersigned further grants full permission to Benhaven and/or agents authorized by them to use my photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recording or my other record of this event for any purpose. Application for minors under 18 will be accepted on/with parent's signature.

Signature (Parent signature if under 18): _____

Date _____

Or save postage! Register online at jbsports.com



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October 13

Lighthouse Point Park

- 8:00 am** Packet Pick-Up & Registration.
Come on down!
- 9:30 am** 2 Mile Walk Starts
- 10:00 am** Post Walk Celebration

VIRTUAL WALK OPTION

Can't make the walk? Sign up for the virtual walk, log your own miles and we'll mail you an event t-shirt and a bib.

