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Fantastic Turnout for Jolly Elf Trail 2009

Jolly Elf Trail Run brought out many running enthusiasts to Bond Park on December 12th to brave the cold and enjoy a race with its record breaking turnout of over 700 registered runners, many volunteers, cheering fans, and family. The 4th Annual St. Michael School's **Jolly Elf Trail Run** is part of the Second Empire GRAND PRIX series; the event included a competitive 5K Run, One Mile Fun Run, and a 200 Yard Kid's Dash.

It started as a frosty brisk morning, yet there was a holiday aura surrounding the event complete with a DJ, announcer, tasty treats, happy elves, cheering StMS cheerleaders, and festively dressed runners. The race ensued while bells were ringing as participants made ran through the trails.

2009 has been the largest Jolly Elf Trail Race thus far. "Today was great race. Thanks to those who came and joined us. We appreciate our fantastic sponsors, volunteers and runners. Hope to see you again next year!" Jennifer Clark and Cid Cardoso, the event co-chairs, enthusiastically summed up the day's events.

What a refreshing way to welcome the Christmas holidays. Check www.runnc.com for a complete list of results. We will have photos up soon. Come and see them on the St. Michael School's website <http://school.stmcary.org>, click on the School News link from the front-page.

Most festively dressed runners:

1Mile: GREG WASSER, EMMA BUTLER
5K: YANNI LAMBROPOULOS, GARY SHELNUTT

Winners listed below per Age Divisions:

9 & under:

Male top 3: LESLIE BONEY, JT NALESNIK, ANDY DAWSON
Female top 3: GRACE NELSON, SHELBY, HEATHER ERLEMANN

10-12 years:

Male top 3: CONNOR PEEPLES, WINSTON BECK, SPENCER HUSEN
Female top 3: KAYLA HALL, OLIVIA SHERMAN, ALEXA CARDOSO

13-15 years:

Male top 3: COLIN GODWIN, CHASE MCCORD, JACOB SEARS
Female top 3: MAURA MCDONNELL, DOMINIQUE GRASSO, LILIANNA FERNANDEZ

16-19 years:

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Male top 3: MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, ANDY DOYLE, JACOB NOURIEL
Female top 3: KATIE MAGEE, CATHERINE DOYLE, DOLLY DOLLARS

20-24 years:

Male top 2: TYLER WILKERSON, MARK DAVIS
Female top 3: EMILY BASS, STEPHANIE MARSHALL, ERICA LABONTE

25-29 years:

Male top 3: JOSH CHRISTIE, DREW CARELLE, JASON CAMPBELL
Female top 3: KATIE LEGER, ANNIE LUX, NATALIE ORLANDO

30-34 years:

Male top 3: TIM GAUTREAU, ADAM SHARPE, JASON BENNETT
Female top 3: CHRISTINE KJELLBERG, ELIZABETH BUTALA, KARI KUEBEL

35-39 years:

Male top 3: MARTY GAAL, KYLE SULLIVAN, JOHN MITCHELL
Female top 3: KIMBERLY BOWLER, NATALIE TAYLOR, MARY FLOOD

40-44 years:

Male top 3: ROB WILSON, JIM PULLEN, DAVID OYLER
Female top 3: IVONNE CHIRINO-KLEVANS, MARY ANNE LUTZ, PATRICIA HALL

45-49 years:

Male top 3: DAVID SCHWERBROCK, BRIAN LANKFORD, BERNIE GENNA
Female top 3: DEBRA WARNER, BETH MCDONNELL, J GOULD

50-54 years:

Male top 3: ASHLEY BASS, LEE DAVIS, GEORGE HOWE
Female top 3: LAURIE O'CONNOR, JULIE SHEA, LINDA WAGERS

55-59 years:

Male top 3: ARTHUR SCHREIER, JIM MCCLEARY, JOHN LIEDL
Female top 3: CATHY WARD, RHONDA COHEN, DEBRA GRIEB

60-64 years:

Male top 3: LARRY SLUPIANEK, MIKE LIGETT, JAMES BECK
Female top 3: RUTH SCHERER, BERNADETTE MARRIOTT, SUSAN HATCH

65-69 years:

Male top 2: RICHARD MOWAT, REY RAMIREZ
Female top 2: LOUISE GUARDINO, BARBARA LATTA

70-74 years:

Female top 2: FRANCES WIDMANN, JACKIE CLARK

75-79 years: EDWIN HARRIS

Over 80- years: MILTON BLISS