



ChalkWalk, PDK Walk for Education, 2009

ChalkWalk 2009

Kappans, families, and guests came out in much better weather than expected for our Chalkwalk in support of public education. Proceeds from the sponsors and pledges for the walkers support our chapter's awards programme as well as PDK service initiatives/partnerships such as regional spelling bees.

The walkers included 8 "future teachers" taught by Zenobia Omarali from SATEC (Scarborough Academy of Technological, Environmental and Computer Education) a magnet program at W.A. Porter Collegiate in Scarborough.

Thanks to Pauline Quan and Kristin Hopper, co-chairs for the walk committee, supported by Angela McDowell, Joulie Georgopoulos, Sandra Poczobut, Fred Georgopoulos (also a future teacher but from R.H. King Academy in Scarborough) plus other members of the chapter executive who made this a success.

Two things impressed me about the day. First of all, the rush of September and school opening actually left me a bit jaded, but in talking to teachers and students throughout the walk my mood brightened as it is clear that the future of public education is in great hands.

Secondly I was struck by the diversity of teachers and students. Each group represented the global community at its most promising: interaction, respect, and genuine mutual interest. Kevin Quan's pictures capture the diversity I saw better than my words can express.

When I asked students from SATEC what they thought, their response was clear, "This is a great cause, but we need more people out next year: teachers and students."

Guess we know what we need to do in 2010. While it was great to touch base and get lots of hits as we do every year at ChalkWalk, let's hit a home run next year!

By John Myers



Pauline Quan, ChalkWalk Co-Chair,

lead participants to Queen's Park. Some of you may know her as Pauline Shou, former chapter newsletter editor and the editor of our 50th anniversary commemorative booklet and also the Chair of Excellence in Student Teaching Award.



Kevin Quan

photographed the story of Chalk Walk 2009 as well as our Walks in 2006, 2007, and 2008. Kevin and Pauline became engaged at the 2006 Walk. So, those of you looking for engagement, see you next year!



Chairs Moving Us Forward!

ChalkWalk Co-Chair Kristin Hopper and Programme Co-Chair John Myers
Inset: Susanna Tang, Programme Co-Chair



Shenyu Huang (2004 Jackman Winner) and President Moveta Nanton striding out, immersed in conversation and catching up.



Kudos to Zenobia Omarili (R. end of 2nd row) who brought the most people to ChalkWalk. What marvelous future educators they are!



Susan Seidman and Bev Freedman

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A BIG THANK YOU to PDK Members, Friends and Guests who generously sent in contributions as well as those who participated and collected pledges for our 2009 Walk.

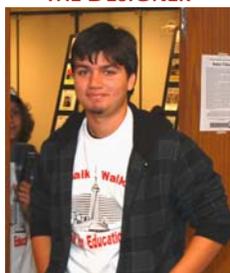


We thank the following for their donation of prizes for ChalkWalk 2009.

PDK Walk for Education, U of T Chapter, raises funds to support students through: Scholarships, Student Clubs, & Spelling Bees.

DONOR	ITEM
ASAP	box of printer paper
CBC (Helen Ilias)	Scarves, hat, and T- shirts
Entertainment Books (Janice Copeman)	6 entertainment books
Joe and Barb's No Frills (Oshawa)	Water and oranges
Omega Alpha	Human and animal vitamins and carry bags
Rooly Georgopoulos	Basketball
Souvenir Plus Inc.	2 T-shirts
SUZY SHEAR	\$50.00 gift certificate (hair cut and manicure)

THE DESIGNER



Fred Georgopoulos, who also designed and painted a banner carried in the 2006 and 29007 walk, created the design for our very own chapter T-shirts.

THE T-SHIRT CO-ORDINATOR & THE ARTIST

Kappan Joulie Georgopoulos shepherded the new venture for us, from finding a vendor to negotiating the printing and ensuring tee shirts of all sizes were ready for eager walkers.

Kappan Reneta Racheva, OCT, and professional artist, professionally rendered Fred's design and made it print ready.



THE DISTRIBUTOR



Kathy Hopper kindly assisted Joulie in distributing our T- shirts at the walk.

Minding the Coiffers



Linda Massey is our ChalkWalk banker.



Treasurer Jim Youngson ensures \$\$ for our projects.



Membership Table: Lis Horley-McLeod & Jennifer Orticello

JOIN THE 2010 WALK COMMITTEE
The first meeting, is Sat. Oct. 24, at 10:30. For more information, email pauline.shou@gmail.com or cjmoras@rogers.com or k_s_hopper123@hotmail.com