



## POST CLIMB NEWSLETTER

# 2012 FIGHT FOR AIR CLIMB

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## 2012 HIGHLIGHTS

As we conclude our event wrap up, we bring you this newsletter containing some of 2012's top highlights. Thanks again to all our participants, volunteer, sponsors, and supporters; we look forward to seeing you again in 2013!

On Sunday, March 4, the 2012 Fight For Air Climb Detroit saw a record 1,000 plus climbers climb either 70 or 40 flight to fund a cure for America's #3 killer, lung disease.

With the help and support of sponsors, participants, volunteers, and guests, the 6th annual event has raised more than \$250,000! Funds raised enable the American Lung Association to better serve the local community and impact the lives of children and adults who suffer from lung disease, lung cancer, and other related pulmonary ailments such as COPD and asthma.

As we close out the 2012 climb season, we would like to extend our warmest appreciation to each of our sponsors without whom this event could not have been made possible.



## Our Sponsors

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### Endorsement

Governor's Council for Physical Fitness Health and Sports

# Top Family & Friends Teams AND TOP COMPANIES

Congratulations to the top family and friends teams as well as the highest fundraising companies with single and or multiple team representation at this year's event.

## Top Family and Friends Teams

- 1 – In Honor of Kristin (\$4,990)
- 2 – Stair Masters (\$4,270.60)
- 3 – Jax Squats AND Steps (\$4,203.13)
- 4 – Cooney's Climbers (\$2,753)
- 5 – All Right Turns (\$2,564)
- 6 – Kickin' Butts (\$1,935)
- 7 – Ain't No Half Steppin' (\$1,858)
- 8 – Jane's Climb (\$1,816)
- 9 – Who you stairin' at? (\$1,680)
- 10 – Quadzilla (\$1,665.51)

## Top Companies

- 1 – Henry Ford Health System (\$13,171.16)
- 2 – Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (\$11,405.35)
- 3 – Cengage learning (\$6,849)
- 4 – DTE (\$5,021)
- 5 – ProQuest (\$5,000.01)
- 6 – Kuhnhenn Brewing Co. (\$3,380)
- 7 – Fifth Third Bank (\$3,355)
- 8 – Fountain Bistro (\$2,895)
- 9 – HealthPlus of Michigan (\$2,753)
- 10 – ImageSoft, Inc. (\$2,420)

## **Fastest Climbers**

Congrats to the fastest climbers at this year's event.

## Top Three Male and Female Climbers

- 1 – George Hudock 6:21
- 2 – Donald Cumming 6:36
- 3 – Michael Peters 6:45
- 1 – Mindy Fernando 7:17
- 2 – Kacey Tulley 7:35
- 3 – Deborah Linley 8:51

## Male and Female Age Group Winners

- 11 & Under: Nathan Colosimo 11:43 & Cyra Anderson 14:10
- 12 – 18: James Billet 7:57 & Allison Williams 12:59
- 19 – 29: Donald Cumming 6:36 & Emily Hippler 9:06
- 30-39: Adam Berhoel 7:32 & Mindy Fernando 7:17
- 40-49: Michael Peters 6:45 & Deborah Linley 8:51
- 50-59: George Hudock 6:21 & Rachel Collier 10:27
- 60-69: Dennis Doherty 10:28 & Barbara Heys 11:35
- 70+: Norm Levy 12:14 & Marta Lois 20:44

For a full list of race results [click here](#).

The race result is listed as Chip Time.



## 2012 AWARDS CEREMONY

This year's awards ceremony was a huge success! Held downtown at Fountain Bistro in Campus Martius, 75 climbers were in attendance to celebrate their achievements. Awards were given to top fundraisers, age group winners, fastest overall climbers, and firefighters. Summit Clubs and Supper Steppers were recognized as well, with certificates noting their accomplishments and dedication to our mission.

## 2013 PREVIEW

Climbers! Ready, set, mark your calendars for the 2013 Climb! Next year's event will take place on Sunday, March 3, 2013. Registration will open in August at [www.ClimbDetroit.org](http://www.ClimbDetroit.org). We're looking forward to an even bigger and better climb in 2013 with more fun in our efforts to raise \$260,000 in the fight for air!

Watch your email inbox this August for an email announcement when the 2013 website opens.

You may also stay connected with the American Lung Association and the Fight for Air Climb via Facebook ([www.facebook.com/fight4airclimbs](http://www.facebook.com/fight4airclimbs)) and Twitter (@[fight4airclimbs](http://fight4airclimbs)).

## MISSION FIRST

Thank you to this year's Mission First Club Members. These climbers have donated the cost of their incentive prize back to the ALA as just one more way to help in the fight for air. A full list of Mission First Club members can be found at [www.ClimbDetroit.org](http://www.ClimbDetroit.org).



## Where the Money Goes

The funds raised through this year's event will fund programs and services, research, advocacy, and public health education. 80 cents of every dollar will support Initiatives and projects such as Better Breather's Clubs, Asthma 1-2-3, Freedom From Smoking and the Lung HelpLine are essential to the American Lung Association's mission to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease.

- Lung disease is growing at a faster rate than other major diseases. You are helping support research to find a cure.
- Asthma is the number one chronic lung disease of children. You are helping support community and school-based programs.
- Big tobacco spends billions of dollars each year to lure kids to smoke. You are helping to keep children healthy.

## SUPER STEPPERS

Congrats to the 2012 Super Steppers. These climbers will receive the coveted low bib numbers (starting at #1), receive VIP check-in status, and they will beat the heat and be the first climbers up the stairs for their event category in 2013!

Mike Catenaro	2,740.00	Tracy Welch	887.00	Derrick Bunge	585.00
Frank Menchaca	2,730.00	Andrea Asaro	865.00	Lindsey Kotulski	585.00
Sherry Wong	2,572.74	Troy Marlewitz	810.00	Philip Virta	585.00
Michelle Bartlett	2,385.23	Bryan Schwesing	810.00	Brenda Brest	580.00
Michelle Trzin	1,688.00	Dayna Johnson	807.00	Mark Springer	570.00
David Tyl	1,605.00	Travis Wheeler	787.00	Patrick Long	568.00
Bill Binkiewicz	1,549.00	Rob Caccia	775.00	Luis Salas	567.00
Maggie Brookens	1,490.00	Brad Merrill	770.00	Amanda Holm	566.00
Matthew Morin	1,455.00	Karin Smith	760.00	Janet Schester	560.00
Nader Qaimari	1,415.00	Kimberly Gordon	755.00	Stacey Caster	555.00
John Gasloli	1,410.00	Brian Batdorff	751.00	Jessica Manka	555.00
Mary Donahue	1,320.99	Sarah Smalheer	745.00	Bonnie Fahome	550.00
Halima Curry	1,300.00	Nicole Wright	736.00	Jason Breitmeyer	535.00
Martin McEvilly	1,300.00	Sean Miller	730.00	Lauren Degrazia	530.00
Tracey Siarkowski	1,260.00	Kevin Kimmel	710.00	Tim Reams	530.00
Ken Cleary	1,175.00	Jessica Cooney	695.00	Mary Sokol	527.13
Simon Beale	1,145.00	Mark McLaughlin	680.00	Arthur Rose	525.00
David Cooney	1,145.00	Alan Soave	675.00	Patricia Van Pelt	525.00
Reggie Grant	1,130.00	Marta Lois	657.00	Kathryn Bartlett	515.37
Andrew Tackett	1,110.00	Allan Moltmaker	650.00	Terri Cappella	514.00
Jeff Enterkin	1,090.50	Bob Lapierre	640.00	Jennifer Biggers	511.00
Brooke Oprsal	1,080.00	Marvin Yanke	631.00	Brad Cassel	510.00
Cheryl Szymanski	1,080.00	Kevin Terry	623.00	Alison Martell	510.00
Sarah Zoppa	1,070.00	Evette Hollins	615.00	Aisha Taylor	510.00
Samantha Zoppa	1,025.00	John Schnorberger	605.70	Luke Braun	505.00
Ashley Karpinsky	1,001.00	Ray Dewalt	603.00	Anne Casselton	505.00
Matthew Bartalino	975.00	Cara Jo Miller	602.00	Shavon Bellia	500.00
Rick Helm	938.50	Pam Esper	600.00	Daniel Golze	500.00
Kristie Stocker	920.00	Carmel Morgan	594.00	Mark Stanczak	500.00
Lori Weber	920.00	Barbara Givens	591.00		
Mark Hendrickson	890.00	Michael Obrian	590.00		

## SUMMIT CLUB

Congrats to the 2012 Summit Club Teams. These Teams will receive the coveted low bib numbers (starting after the Super Steppers), receive VIP check-in status, and they will beat the heat and be the first teams up the stairs for their climb category in 2013!

Solar Stair Stars/Henry Ford Health System	12,030.16
Climbatize	7,408.85
CL Climbers	6,849
Rencensational	5,021
ProQuest Pacers	5,000.01



## FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

This year was the second annual Firefighter Challenge, with fire teams in their gear climbing 70 flights of stairs to the top of the Renaissance Center. Full gear meeting NFPA standards includes; boots, turnout coat and pants, helmet, gloves, and SCBA harness with air cylinder. That's around 70 pounds of gear!

Saving some of our most enthusiastic climbers for last, fire teams went up as a Grand Finale to the 2012 Climb. Their send off is one of the more highly anticipated events of the day, with media coverage by FOX 2 on hand to catch every minute. Family members of firefighters, friends, and participants all stay to watch these 185 brave men and women start and finish their climb.

Shelby Township Firefighters went above and beyond the call of duty this year, taking home both the fastest full-gear climb award and the highest fundraising fire team honors. The firefighter helmet "Traveling Trophy" is theirs to keep for the year, and their fire team will be the first to climb the Renaissance Center, defending their title in the 2013 Climb.

Our sincerest thanks to all fire departments who participated this year! We look forward to seeing each and every one of you return for next year's climb, and hope that you encourage other departments to step up to the challenge as well!

Listed below are the Firefighter Award categories, benefits and winners.

Highest Fundraising Firefighter Team	Shelby Township Firefighters	\$4,675		
Fastest Full Gear Team	Shelby Township Firefighters	Team Average Time: 12:56.89		
Fastest No Gear Team	NTFD Local 3961	Tam Average Time: 10:25.05		
Fastest Full Gear	Under 40 Male	Robert Dunn Jr.	Time 11:10	Age 33
Fastest Full Gear	Under 40 Female	Quinci Copeland	Time 15:28	Age 24
Fastest Full Gear	Over 40 Male	Max Anthouard	Time 10:32	Age 52
Fastest No Gear	Under 40 Male	Jason Hendrian	Time 8:44	Age 32
Fastest No Gear	Under 40 Female	Taryn Kirk	Time 12:48	Age 30
Fastest No Gear	Over 40 Female	Amy Schnorberger	Time 14:35	Age 47

### Top Five Fundraising Firefighter Teams:

- 1 – Shelby Township Firefighters (\$4,675)
- 2 – Brighton Area Fire Department (\$3,652)
- 3 – Birmingham/Hazel Park FD (\$3,308)

- 4 – Wayne Firefighters (\$3,105)
- 5 – Dearborn Height Fire Department (\$2,605)

