

## WALK TO HELP FIGHT DRUG ABUSE

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Roger Harden has seen it happen too many times. He has seen friends turning to drugs to solve problems or to have a good time.

He has also seen the families of those friends watch as their formerly normal lives are transformed into chaos.

And Harden, a University of Kentucky assistant basketball coach who used to play for the Wildcats, doesn't particularly want to see it again.

To help fight chemical dependency in young people, Harden will offer himself, in a way, as a prize in a fund-raising effort to help those who can't afford treatment for their drug problem. The person who raises the most money during a "walkathon" sponsored by Possibilities Unlimited Inc. on Saturday will win \$100 and dinner with Harden.

"A Walk for Life to Fight Drug Abuse" will start at 10 a.m. at the drug treatment center at 4514 Briar Hill Road. Participants will have sponsors who will pledge money for each mile walked. The walk will be between 10 and 20 miles.

Possibilities Unlimited is a non-profit family-oriented drug rehabilitation and counseling program serving the youth of the Bluegrass. The program is based on young former drug users helping young people through their drug problem.

"I go to meetings on Friday nights, and I've told them I will help in any way I can," Harden said. "I will be walking and a couple of Wildcats will be there, too.

"A lot of people look at drugs as an alternative to problems they are having. When they get themselves in that state they need someone who knows what's best for them."

Registration is free and begins at 9 a.m. Registration forms are available at all Begley drugstores, Bank One, Foodtown grocery stores, McDonald's restaurants, Central Bank, WVLC radio station, Superamerica service stations, or Possibilities Unlimited.

For more information, call 299-0445.

- Memo: If you go "A Walk for Life to Fight Drug Abuse" will start at 10 a.m. Saturday at 4514 Briar Hill Road.

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