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10 Mile Running Event Comes to Lemont
Historic Community to Host Premier Event

(Lemont) -- The Village of Lemont, Illinois will host the inaugural Quarryman Challenge 10 Mile Road Race on Saturday, May 20, 2006.

The Quarryman Challenge 10 Mile Road Race running event will be centered in historic downtown Lemont. The course starts and finishes in downtown Lemont and winds through the Village's historic residential area.

"The Village's residential areas are built on bluffs overlooking the Des Plaines River Valley, making it one of the hilliest areas in the Chicago area." Ed Kerfin, the events' Race Director said. "The historic character of the community and terrain of the course offers athletes and spectators one of the most unique and scenic running experiences in the Chicago area,"

The race will be coordinated by Ed Kerfin, owner of Human Race Sports in Orland Park, and a committee that includes members of the Village staff and Police Department; and, local businessmen Keith Nowakowski, Guy Petruzzelli, Sr. and Dave Fako. Other members of the organizing committee include Village Trustee Jeannette Virgillio, Park District Commissioner Dan Ganzer, Guy Petruzzelli, Jr. of Downers Grove and Nichelle Tang of Naperville.

"This event will showcase Lemont's history and beauty and its wonderful downtown area," Guy Petruzzelli, Sr. said.

The committee expects four to five hundred athletes to participate. The race will attract hundreds of the athletes' friends and family, spectators and volunteers to the community.

"The Quarryman Challenge offers athletes of all abilities -- from elites to beginners -- a unique and challenging race at the beginning of the mid-west running season," Kerfin said. "Runners of all levels and spectators will be thrilled with the course and make this the premier event at the start of the running season in the Chicago area."

Detailed information and registration is available on the race's website at www.quarrymanchallenge.com. People interested in volunteering or sponsoring the event should contact Ed Kerfin at 708/349-4724.

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