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OPERATION WALK PITTSBURGH

granting the wish to walk

Operation Walk Pittsburgh's First Trip a Success!

"Members of the Screening Team went up to the screening area where they were greeted by 58 patients and their families. The patients and families began clapping loudly as the Screening Team ascended the stairs. It was an emotional moment for the team— the first taste of the impact that they hope to make in Guatemala..."



One of the patients and her family going home after her joint replacement surgery

During the week of August 21-29, 2009, the Operation Walk Pittsburgh team performed more than 63 successful hip and knee replacements on 50 patients suffering from debilitating joint disease in Antigua, Guatemala. You can read daily updates [here](#) and see photos from the trip [here](#).

Operation Walk Pittsburgh's Upcoming Missions

With your support, Operation Walk Pittsburgh will continue "granting the wish to walk" both abroad and here at home...

In November 2009, team members will perform several free joint replacement surgeries for patients at Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC in Pittsburgh; the Operation Walk Pittsburgh team is one of the only chapters in the country undertaking a local aspect of this work. And, due to the success of this inaugural mission, the team will return to Antigua, Guatemala in August 2010!

Support these upcoming Operation Walk Pittsburgh efforts

Donate Now!

Welcome Back Party on October 1

Join us for Happy Hour at the Firehouse Lounge as we welcome back the members of Operation Walk Pittsburgh from their first mission to Guatemala!

**Thursday October 1st from 5-8 at the
Firehouse Lounge in the Strip
2216 Penn Avenue**

*See a slideshow of our pictures and hear about our trip to Guatemala...
starting at 6:30 and then live Jazz with Etta Cox at 7:00!*



The Operation Walk Pittsburgh Team and some of the patients served during the Guatemala trip

October is PFCC Awareness Month

Dr. Anthony DiGioia, with the help of the Innovation Center at Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC, has set out to transform patients' and family members' typical hospital experience, as well as the experience of all clinical and non-clinical Care Givers, into the ideal experience using the six-step PFCC Methodology.

Find out more about this exciting work [here](#).

Buy Your Operation Walk Pittsburgh T-Shirt Today!



Be stylish *and* help a great cause, with your very own Operation Walk Pittsburgh t-shirt! Made of 100% cotton, the short-sleeved t-shirt is emblazoned on the front with the Operation Walk Pittsburgh logo in red, green, and yellow on a white background. Buy today and you will be "granting the wish to walk" while raising awareness of the effort!

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