



The Frederick Steeplechasers Running Club is presenting the 8th Annual [Rick O'Donnell 5.22 Mile Trail Run and 8-hour Ultra Challenge](#). Because the safety of our runners is of the utmost importance, we have transitioned to a virtual "Run Anywhere" format. The virtual format will feature the standard 5.22 and 8-hour UltraChallenge, as well as three additional challenges that are new this year. The additional challenges include an *8-hour Elevation Challenge*, an *8 Day - 1 Hour Challenge*, and a *Name Your Challenge*. The goal is to get runners out of their comfort zone to try something new and challenging, and we are excited to be able to offer this virtual race experience. Participants will be able to complete their virtual events from October 1-October 31st.

Proceeds from the event are used to fund the Frederick Steeplechasers Memorial Scholarship program which honors the memory of Rick O'Donnell and Larry Key. Both Rick and Larry were dedicated to the running community, contributing many selfless hours to help others achieve goals. The scholarship embodies their spirit of selflessness and their dedication and passion for education. With your help we can continue to support our young athletes as they pursue their careers.

The scholarship is awarded each year to Frederick-area high school seniors who, like Rick and Larry, have made a difference in the local running community. Since its inception, the Steeplechasers have awarded more than \$36,000 to 24 Frederick-area recipients. Earlier this year, three male and three female athletes from Frederick County received a total of \$9,500.

Our sponsor benefit packages are as follows:

Bronze \$150.00 – Name/Logo on race website sponsor page.

Silver \$300.00 -- Name/Logo on race website sponsor page; Acknowledgement on race facebook page; Name/Logo on gear bag giveaway; One free race entry

Gold \$500.00 – Name/Logo on race website sponsor page; Name/Logo on gear bag giveaway; Inclusion on mass race promotion emails (12,000+ recipients); Acknowledgement at FCPS Awards ceremony; Two free race entries.

Platinum \$1000.00 – Name/Logo on home page and sponsor page of race website; Name/Logo on gear bag giveaway; Name/Logo on digital race bib; Inclusion on mass race promotion emails (12,000+ recipients); Acknowledgement at FCPS Awards ceremony; Three race entries.

To sign on as a sponsor, you may visit our online sponsor registration page at:

<https://steeplechasers.org/signature-race-sponsorship-registration/>

Or send me an email at: info@rickstrailrun.com

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Crista Horn

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