

Marie Dawn Gaston was born November 5, 1971, the daughter of Stanley Gaston and Hester Woofter Gaston. One of her earliest activities was 4-H, where she started at age 8 in the Peora-Wyatt Mountaineers 4-H Club and her mother was club leader. Her grandmother, Alice Woofter, was

also a club leader of the Wallace Barracudas Club. Marie was also very active in church and as she grew older became involved in many extra curricular activities at school and was an honor student. Marie attended Lincoln High School in Shinnston, WV. She was involved in many activities there such as Key Club, International Club, was involved on many class committees and served as the 1990 Senior Class President, and graduated in the top 10% of her class. Marie attended the Hugh O' Brian Youth Foundation Program (HOBY). She also remained active in 4-H at the club, county and state level. Marie looked forward to attending various camps and served as a teen leader to mentor younger 4-H'ers. Marie went on exchanges to Wisconsin and Indiana as a teen in 4-H and hosted a 4-H'er from each of those states. Marie attained her charting pin and after turning 18, achieved the highest honor in 4-H by being named to the 4-H All Stars. She was a member of the Delaware tribe and was Sagamore (second in command) of her tribe at Alpha 1 State 4-H camp in 1991 and would have been chief in 1992. Marie lived her life by what 4-H stands for. To guote the 4-H pledge: "I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living for my club, my community, my country and my world." Marie most definitely was thoughtful, loyal, serving and loved living and loved helping others live better.

As a way to remember her and all the good that she did in her few short years on this earth, her family decided to start a scholarship fund in her name in order to help worthy 4-H'ers be more financially able to attend Harrison County 4-H camp. The scholarship provides full and partial scholarships to Harrison County youth. It is also used to enhance the 4-H camp experience through better assemblies, activities, and games while at 4-H camp.

Thank you to all who have participated and thank you in advance for your continued support and prayers as we hope to grow the Shinnston Turkey Trot and help even more children than we or Marie would have ever dreamed possible.

The Shinnston Turkey Trot is the scholarship's only fundraiser, if you are interested in making a donation please email mariegastonscholarship@gmail.com

The Marie Gaston Scholarship is a 501(c)(3) public charity.

Mail Registration to: Stacia Talkington 461 Lake Meade Drive East Berlin, PA 17316 Attn: Marie Gaston Scholarship Fund



Shinnston's 9th Annual "Turkey Trot" 5K Walk/Run

Presented by

Mary's Hair Care and Fitness Center

Thanksgiving Morning Thursday, November 23rd Race Begins at 9:00am



Proceeds benefit the Marie Gaston 4-H Scholarship Fund

www.shinnstonturkeytrot.com

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Race will start promptly at 9:00am with registration starting at 7:30am at the Shinnston Rail Trail <u>Same Day Registration is \$20.00</u>

- www.shinnstonturkeytrot.com
- Disposable chip timing by Runner's High and USATF certified race course
- Children's Gobble Wobble starting at 8:50am
- On race day participants are asked to bring canned goods and non-perishable food items to help support "The Lord's Pantry"
- Due to the increasing size of the event and number of participants, no pets will be allowed on the race course
- Awards to the top 3 male and female finishers. Ribbons will also be awarded to top 3 male and females in all age brackets.
- Random door prize drawings for participants



To Register:

Please complete, detach and submit the registration form with payment.

Online registration available at: imathlete.com/events/shinnstonturkeytrot

Additional printable registration forms are also available at: www.shinnstonturkeytrot.com http://www.harrison.ext.wvu.edu http://www.iplayoutside.com

To guarantee a t-shirt, participants must submit registration and payment by the October 22, 2017 early registration deadline <u>No Exceptions</u>.

Packet Pickup: HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!!!

Early race packet pickup and pre-registration available on Tues. Nov. 21st or Wed. Nov. 22nd from 5pm - 8pm at Jimmy's Diner (Hood Avenue) in Shinnston.

Pre-Race Dinner:

Jimmy's Diner is offering a pizza & pasta bar special for all participants both evenings for \$8.99



Turkey Trot Registration Form

Please Note all Deadlines and Submission Requirements

- Turkey Trot Entry Fee: \$15 (Performance t-shirt included if registration and payment are received by October 22, 2017)
- Gobble Wobble Fee: \$10 Children's Fun Run starting at 8:50am - Ages 12 and Under (Performance t-shirt included if registration & payment are received by October 22, 2017)
- Turkey Trot Same Day Registration Entry Fee: \$20

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I know that running the Shinnston Turkey Trot is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running the event including, but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, cold or slippery conditions of the race course, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver, knowing these facts, and in consideration of your accepting my application, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the race director, race officials and volunteers, any and all sponsors including, but not limited to The Marie Gaston 4-H Scholarship Fund, Harrison Co. 4-H. City of Shinnston, Mary's Hair Care and Fitness, and all their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in the event. The race will be cancelled in a declared state of emergency.

Signature	Date



Payment (non-refundable or transferrable) Cash Check - Made payable to:

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For More Information Contact: The Marie Gaston 4-H Scholarship Fund mariegastonscholarship@gmail.com www.shinnstonturkeytrot.com