

A 2175-mile Hike for Charity!

Local Christian Business Owner Sets Out to Walk Appalachian Trail

Brad Johnson has gone for a hike. But it is not your average little hike. In fact, you might call it “The hike of all hikes.” Starting out on top of Springer Mountain in Georgia, he will walk the famous Appalachian Trail, 2175 miles of tough terrain through the Southern Mountain range, the Virginia Highlands and the Mid-Atlantic Lowlands and across New England.

If he stays on his daily goal of 18 to 20 miles per day, he will finish in October. That is over 4 months of living on the trail. It is also 4 months of being away from his family and his business.

So why would a 58-year-old man put his life and business on hold and set out for such an adventure? “To raise money for some very important charities,” he insists.

“At my age, with a bad left hip, and with only 4 months to do this, my odds are at about 10% in completing this by Oct. 1st. That’s okay. I like a challenge. It’ll motivate me all the more to finish it. A big motivator for me though is the \$100,000 that we are raising for local charities through the AT2010 compassionate journey. As I’m hiking the AT, I’ll be thinking of a lot of people we will be helping...for example, the kids at The Little Lighthouse in Tulsa. Some of them can hardly walk at all, due to physical problems from birth.”

Brad will also be raising money for The Salvation Army, Tulsa Rogers Young Life, Tulsa Habitat for Humanity and Folds of Honor.

“The older I get, the more I realize how blessed most of us really are, and that it really is more blessed to give than to receive. We live in a great country, in a great state, in a great community. We have the freedom and the resources to do things, like start a business, worship our God, work, have a family, own a house, or even hike the Appalachian Trail. There are lots of folks though right here in our community who need a little compassion—some help, resources, a spiritual base, a job, or maybe a roof over their head.”

Brad is the owner of LawnAmerica, a successful and respected company which provides fertilization, weed and mole control. He invites all of us to join in his journey by making a donation through his secure website, www.AT2010Tulsa.com. LawnAmerica will match your donation! 🇺🇸



Follow Brad on the Trail!
 We will be giving an update on his progress every month in *Community Spirit*. Along with the news from the AT, we will also be covering one of his charities each month. You will also be able to watch his videos on our online magazine at www.communityspiritmagazine.com!

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