



Train for the health of it... Race for the fun of it!

Local runner Dan Van Veen sent the following photo and writes, "Marathon Mission Team — Southwest Missouri edition. (L to r) **Angie Benson** (Republic), **James** and **Janice Meredith** (Springfield), **Dan** and **Lori Van Veen** (Willard) with Marathon Mission founder **Lisa Harper** (Dearborn Heights, Michigan). This group participated in the [Detroit Free Press Marathon](#) events on October 29, 2006. Angie, James, Dan and Lisa ran the marathon and Janice and Lori did the half marathon. Highlights included running a mile-long bridge over the Detroit River into Canada and then running back UNDER the Detroit River through a mile-long tunnel, as well as finishing in Ford Field (home of the Detroit Lions). Although the race day had no rain, near-freezing temperatures and sustained high winds made the events challenging. The area runners also raised more than \$900 to help support [Coins for Kids](#) — an Assemblies of God effort that this year included assisting a ministry that helps girls around the world get out of prostitution, many times that they've been sold into by their families."

(posted 12/28/06) **Note:** If you would like to submit a picture for "Pic of the Week," email it to RichardJohnson@MissouriState.edu or snail mail it to Richard Johnson, CIS Dept., MSU, 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65804 (I will mail it back to you if you so request).

