Running for a Blue Faery

Andrea Wilson hopes to raise $10,000 for research on liver disease, which claimed the life of her younger sister.

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NORTHWEST DISTRICT — Andrea Wilson believes in fairies, especially blue ones. When the Burbank resident participates in the Los Angeles Marathon on Sunday, she will be running for a special blue fairy — her younger sister, Adrienne Wilson, who died Oct. 9, 2001, of a rare liver cancer.

Wilson created Blue Faery, the Adrienne Wilson Liver Cancer Assn., to raise money to find a cure for the disease — hepatocellular carcinoma — that claimed Adrienne's life. It is the nation’s first nonprofit organization dedicated to finding a cure for liver cancer.

Andrea Wilson, 30, will participate in the Los Angeles Marathon on Sunday to raise money for Blue Faery, the Adrienne Wilson Liver Cancer Association. Her younger sister, shown in this painting, died from the disease in October 2001.

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Hoping to write her own Faery tale

When Andrea Wilson runs in Sunday's Los Angeles Marathon, she will have a fairy in her corner. Andrea will be running for Blue Faery, an association set up in memory of her younger sister, Adrienne.

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