



# Komen Coastal Georgia Affiliate Newsletter



July 2010

## Thousands Race for the Cure in Savannah

The second annual Susan G. Komen Savannah Race for the Cure® was a complete success as thousands gathered to race and show their support for finding a cure for breast cancer. Here's a quick look at the numbers for the 2010 Race:

- ▶ More than 4,000 Race participants
- ▶ 500 volunteers
- ▶ 400 survivors
- ▶ 1,740 strands of pink survivor beads handed out
- ▶ 240 survivor medallion pins distributed
- ▶ **\$275,000 raised**

Savannah's scenic downtown served as the backdrop for race festivities. A special thanks to all of the Race sponsors who helped make the 2010 race such a success!

Friends and family members got decked out in their finest pink attire to participate in the Race. More than 150 teams took the challenge and as a result, this year's Race grossed \$275,000 which will help support next year's grant funding. The Affiliate awards grant money to organizations who support breast cancer education, detection, and treatment in Bryan, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long, and McIntosh Counties.

Plans for next year's race are already under way so mark your calendar for Saturday, April 16, 2011, and join the Komen Coastal Georgia Affiliate for the third annual Susan G. Komen Savannah Race for the Cure!



# Affiliate Welcomes Outreach Coordinator



The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Coastal Georgia Affiliate welcomes Beth Desloges as the Affiliate's Mission Outreach Coordinator. Beth will work to ensure the Affiliate's mission of saving lives and ending breast cancer is carried out in the Coastal Georgia service area (Bryan, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long and McIntosh counties).

Beth's duties include educating people in our region about breast cancer, reaching out to grantees and potential grantees to ensure access to mammography in Coastal Georgia, recruiting and coordinating volunteers, and assisting with the daily operations of the Affiliate.

Beth was formerly the interim Community Coordinator for the March of Dimes in Savannah. She has a B.A. in English from the University of New Hampshire and is currently working toward her MBA at South University.

## Please Join Us for Breast Cancer 101

Breast cancer can be overwhelming. It is a complex disease, and advances in science continually deepen our knowledge and understanding of its many faces. Breast Cancer 101 is a course that will provide you with basic breast health and breast cancer information on risk, screening, diagnosis, staging, treatment and support

Volunteers, Survivors, Family Members, Potential Volunteers, or any Community Members interested in learning the science of the disease are encouraged to attend.

**WHEN:** 6 p.m., Thursday, August 26

**WHERE:** Lewis Cancer and Research Pavillion, (across from Candler Hospital) 2nd Floor Conference Room

**Space is limited so please contact Beth at 912-604-3800 or [beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org](mailto:beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org) for more information or to reserve your spot!**

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## Support the Smoke-Free Savannah Cause

The Savannah City Council held it's first workshop concerning the Healthy Savannah proposal to make ALL workplaces in Savannah Smoke-free. Your help is needed to pass this important initiative, which will guarantee clean indoor air for everyone and improve the health of our community.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Attend and testify at the upcoming public hearings including:

Wednesday, July 21st, Public Meeting, 3 to 5 p.m., City Hall

Wednesday, July 28th, Town Hall Meeting, 7 to 9 p.m., Savannah Civic Center

Thursday, August 12th, Ordinance First Reading and Public Hearing, 1 p.m., Savannah City Council Meeting

Write a letter to the editor of the Savannah Morning News telling in less than 200 words why you support a Smoke-free Savannah.

E-mail your letter to: [letted@savannahnow.com](mailto:letted@savannahnow.com). Via U.S. mail: Letters to the Editor, Savannah Morning News, P.O. Box 1088, Savannah, Ga. 31402

Post an on-line comment in support:

Talk Back Savannah - <http://www.savannahga.gov/cityweb/talkbacksav.nsf/talkbacksav?openform>

Vox Populi - [www.savannahnow.com](http://www.savannahnow.com)

Also post on the websites and facebook sites of WSAV, WTOG and WJCL/Fox22



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# Grants Committee Members Needed

The Komen Coastal Georgia Affiliate is looking for one or two volunteers who would be interested in serving on the Grants Committee. This committee is responsible for developing and implementing a plan to publicize the availability of grant funds, oversee compliance, facilitate the review by the review committee, administer grants approved by the Affiliate Board and provide oversight to ensure the integrity of the grantmaking process.

For more information, please contact Beth at 912-604-3800 or [beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org](mailto:beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org)

## Think Pink and Make a Difference!

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Coastal Georgia Affiliate works year-round on initiatives to support breast cancer education, treatment and detection in Coastal Georgia. We could always use extra volunteers to help with fundraising and other efforts. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Beth Desloges at 912-604-3800 or [beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org](mailto:beth@komentoastalgeorgia.org). Together, we can make a difference!

## New Board Members Announced

We are pleased to welcome five new members to the Affiliate Board. We appreciate the commitment of all of our Board members, committee members, and volunteers and look forward to continuing to grow as an Affiliate.

### New Board Members:

Julie Cyr

Sarah Denmark

Julie Grimm

Laura Simpson

Dr. Amos Timna

## Komen Coastal Georgia and Stream Energy Partner to Raise Money

Looking for a new gas company and a way to help raise money for Komen Coastal Georgia? Stream Energy will donate \$4 for every customer who signs up for service. Just to go this website to switch your service and raise funds for our Affiliate:

<http://komentoastalga.streampowerup.biz>





## LEGISLATIVE CALL TO ACTION

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Specifically, the ordinance makes ALL workplaces smoke-free including the current exceptions to Georgia's smoke-free law:

- Outdoor eating areas in restaurants
- Bars
- Long-term care facilities
- Private and semi-private rooms in health care facilities
- International airports
- Convention facilities
- Private clubs
- Retail tobacco stores
- Distances 15 to 20 feet from the entrance to any public building

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Note: Letters to the Editor must include the writer's name (no initials), a mailing address and daytime telephone number for verification purposes. Via U.S. mail: Letters to the Editor, Savannah Morning News, P.O. Box 1088, Savannah, Ga. 31402.

Post an on-line comment in support:

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Contact City Aldermen and respectfully ask for their support of the ordinance. Note: With the exception of Aldermen Mary Osborne and Clifton Jones, all of the Aldermen have indicated they support a smoke-free Savannah but they all need to hear words of support.

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