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The Savannah St. Joseph's/Candler Leukemia Cup Regatta kicks off the campaign with Gary Jobson

Savannah, Ga. – Legendary sailor and lymphoma survivor Gary Jobson kicked off this year's campaign May 18 in front of more than 100 sailors.

Jobson, the Leukemia Cup Regatta's National Chairman, got the sailors at the Savannah Yacht Club excited about this year's event and was a huge boost to the campaign.

The St. Joseph's/Candler Leukemia Cup Weekend of Events, hosted by the Savannah Yacht Club, is in its 15th Year and is the second largest Leukemia Cup in the Country.

This year's Weekend of Events will be September 23-24th.

In 2010 the St. Joseph's/Candler Leukemia Cup raised over \$300,000 bringing its total to \$3.1 million since inception in 1997. The St. Joseph's/Candler Leukemia Cup has most recently expanded to include a Clay Shoot, Yacht Hop and 5k Run, making it the only charity event of its kind in Savannah. Please visit www.leukemicup.org/ga for the Schedule of Events for this year's St. Joseph's/Candler Leukemia Cup.

About Gary Jobson

Gary Jobson is President of US SAILING, the National Governing Body of Sailing. Gary has authored 16 sailing books and is Editor at Large of *Sailing World* and *Cruising World* magazines. Jobson has been ESPN's sailing commentator since 1985. Gary Jobson has won four Southam Awards and one Telly Award. His newest book, *Gary Jobson An American Sailing Story*, is scheduled for publication in May 2011.

Gary has been the National Chairman of The Leukemia Cup Regatta, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's sailing program, since 1994. These events have raised over \$35 million to date.

Over the past 35 years, Gary has given over 2,000 lectures throughout the world. He started his career as a sailing coach at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and the U.S. Naval Academy.

In 2003, after years of committed service on behalf of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Jobson was diagnosed with lymphoma and, in his words, "became a beneficiary of the research advances I had helped support." He is now cancer-free.

About The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society® (LLS) is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to blood cancer. The LLS mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. LLS funds lifesaving blood cancer research around the world and provides free information and support services.

Founded in 1949 and headquartered in White Plains, NY, LLS has chapters throughout the United States and Canada. To learn more, visit www.LLS.org or contact the Information Resource Center at (800) 955-4572, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET. www.lls.org.

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About St. Joseph's/Candler

St. Joseph's/Candler of Savannah, Georgia (www.sjchs.org) is the only Magnet-designated facility for nursing excellence in South Georgia and the South Carolina Low Country with a focus on the latest technologies and research for oncology, cardiology, neurology and women's and children's services and education and treatment for chronic illnesses such as diabetes. St. Joseph's/Candler is comprised of St. Joseph's Hospital and Candler Hospital, two of the oldest continuously operating hospitals in the United States.

The Nancy N. and J.C. Lewis Cancer & Research Pavilion (www.cancerpavilion.org) at St. Joseph's/Candler combines advanced technology and compassionate care to create one of the most innovative oncology programs in the Southeast. It participates in the exclusive National Cancer Institute's Community Cancer Center Program, which bring cutting-edge cancer treatments to community hospitals.

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