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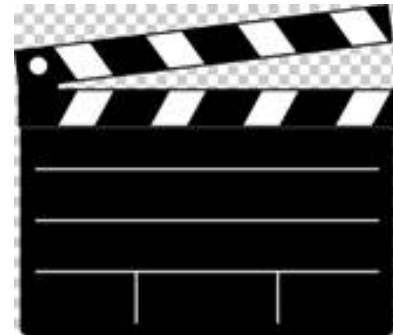
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KENNER'S RELAY FOR LIFE HOSTS 40+ TEAMS IN CANCER FIGHT **ALL NIGHT EVENT HAS FOOD, MUSIC & FAMILY FUN**

Team Kenner and teams from the Kenner Fire Department and the Kenner Police Department are among MORE THAN 40 teams from around Jefferson Parish and other area communities in the "Big Event" – the **Relay for Life** -- in the fight against cancer this coming weekend at Muss Bertolino Playground.

Kenner's City Volunteer Committee has been coordinating special events for many weeks to raise funds from donations and the participation by city employees and the general public on behalf of the American Cancer Society. The Cancer Society sponsors **Relay for Life** events around the nation during the Spring.

Bartlyn Macaluso David, coordinator for the Recreation Department's Leisure Services Division and who heads Team Kenner, said events have included an art auction called "Art-A-Cure," bake sales, a picnic in Kenner Veterans Park, food booth at Kenner's Lundi Gras, a watermelon eating contest, and Team Kenner's Relay for Life. So far, team Kenner has met its goal of \$10,000 this year.



**Lights, Camera,
Action... Cut Out
Cancer!**



Relay for Life is an overnight event where people get together to raise money to fund the fight against cancer, remember those who were lost to the disease, and celebrate the survivors. This year's relay theme is "Relay Rolls Out the Red Carpet." Team Kenner will depict "**Lights, Camera, Action... Cut Out Cancer.**"

Relay for Life begins on **Saturday, May 15**, from **6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.** (Sunday) at **Muss Bertolino Stadium, 620 W. Esplanade Ave.**

Team registration is from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and cancer survivor registration is from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. A long list of scheduled activities ensures to keep people involved into the early morning hours. Some of the activities include bands, "The Burnside Flashers," from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., and the Julz Secret Band," from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m., several contests, games, line dancing, and much much more.



One of the important events at the **Relay for Life** is the Luminary Ceremony. At the ceremony luminaries are lighted to honor those who have battled cancer and to remember those who lost the battle. If someone's life has been touched by cancer they can order a luminary for a donation of ten dollars. For a donation of five dollars pictures of loved ones can be submitted

to be included in a slide show that will be shown the night of **Relay for Life**. The luminary ceremony takes place at 9:00 p.m.

The City of Kenner's tent will offer food, drink and games for kids and adults, A Sean Payton autographed Saints Football will be raffled at the tent.

The Kenner Fire Department will have its smoke house set up to teach parents and children about fire safety.



The Kenner Police Department will have its mobile command van on site for communications and security.

For more information on this event please contact Bartlyn David at 468-7284 or you can go to the website at www.events.cancer.org/rflkenenrla to get information.

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