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Cancer Services' Teen Program Takes Trip to New Orleans

Baton Rouge, LA – October 12, 2010—Twenty-three teens who are cancer survivors or have a parent, guardian or sibling with cancer traveled to New Orleans for a day of fun, all provided free-of-charge through a program made possible by Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge.

Chaperones accompanied the young adults on a trip down the Mississippi River on the Steamboat Natchez, followed by a celebration at Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World and ending with a feast of beignets at Café du Monde.

“The teens really enjoyed relaxing on the boat and seeing the scenery,” said Cancer Services Program Coordinator Natalie Depp. “Our annual teen trip provides a unique atmosphere for adolescents who are dealing with cancer—they have the chance to visit with teens their own age who are facing the same experiences and enjoy a day away from the routines of doctor visits and cancer-related news.”

Cancer Services hosts children's and teen events throughout the year, all paid for by generous donations from the local community.

For information on the children's programs at Cancer Services, or any of the programs and services for adults offered by the agency, visit www.cancerservices.org or contact (225) 927-2273.

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Since 1959, Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge has provided free of charge programs, services, assistance and support to meet the changing medical, financial, educational and emotional needs of cancer patients and their families within a 10-parish area. Parishes served include: Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, St. James, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana. For more information, visit the Cancer Services website at www.cancerservices.org.