

2015 FOUNDATION INITIATIVES

- The Savannah Harbor Foundation began 2015 donating almost \$50,000 from 2014 activities alongside our Westin & Endurance Race Services partners to a packed audience of top civic, business and philanthropic community leaders.
- In June, Foundation Board member and Club at Savannah Harbor Director, Dana Schultz, chaired the Putt Putt for Paws Pub Crawl and Putt Putt Golf Tournament initiative raising \$3,700 for the local Humane Society Chapter.
- The 2015 AquaCurean Seafood & Spirits Festival commanded center stage in Savannah at the end of August. This three day event consisted of a chef's tasting and pairing dinner with celebrity chefs from coastal regions, a hotel takeover featuring 15 local restaurants & bars competing for top honors and a Sunday Jazz Brunch in our main dining room. The combined three events raised \$10k for children's charities.
- We raised \$300 through the East Coast Golf Classic and through Irene Renes' leadership we purchased 60 "Savannah" Teddy Bears that we distributed to the local Memorial Children's Hospital and Ronald McDonald House accompanied by Santa Claus.
- We created a brand new experience in partnership with Stage Front Presentation Systems by using the south face of the Westin tower for our Animated Holiday Light Program and partnered with the Italian Society to raise \$2000 cash for their Scholarship Fund.
- In partnership with the Savannah Speed Classic, BMW CCA Foundation, and Savannah Harbor Foundation, The Westin Savannah Harbor donated our Road Course Paddock to the 2015 Street Survival initiative which teaches high school students how to drive safely, accident avoidance with classroom instruction and in-car exercises.
- We presented the most impressive Boat Parade of Lights yet with 39 vessels and an estimated 2000 people joining us on Hutchinson Island for the festivities. Through the support of WTOC, Falcon Fireworks, Myrick Marine, Savannah Riverboat Cruises, Westin Special Events Manager Megan Hunt, and all the boat captains we were able to raise many spirits, a great many children's toys and cash contributions for Greenbriar Children's Center.
- With Megan Hunt's leadership and an army of appreciated volunteers we hosted holiday events like the Boys & Girls Club Steel Drum Band performance, Davenport House Reenactors, Girl Scout Choir, Enchant my Party Princess Parade, Oatland Island Animal Encounters and much more to raise funds for our nightly charitable partners.
- We partnered with Savannah Morning News, Savannah Hilton Head Airport and The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra to raise \$7500 for the Empty Stocking Fund at the sold out Holiday Equinox Concert & Dinner.