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**Lake Jackson Poker Run Returns on June 27
TEAM GEORGIA IS “PLAYING IT SAFE ON THE WATER”**

May 15, 2009 – TEAM Georgia is revving up for its annual Poker Run on Jackson Lake, set for June 27!

Boating enthusiasts and their families can compete on the water to support the TEAM Georgia message urging Georgia boaters and passengers to “play it safe on the water,” said Ron Fennel, chairman of TEAM Georgia, a safe transportation coalition.

Poker Run participants travel by boat to five locations on the lake, where they are given one card at each location for their hand. In addition, they may exchange up to three of their cards at the cost of five dollars per card before submitting their hands. The six winning hands will win a range of prizes, including a grand prize of \$750 in cash. With a \$20 admission, all participants at least 18 years of age or older, can expect to enjoy door prizes, musical entertainment, handouts on safe boating and a picnic dinner. Local music sensation, “Ben Ratliff,” will perform throughout the evening, until the festivities conclude at 7:00 PM.

“It’s a wonderful way to showcase responsible behavior and family fun on Jackson Lake,” said Linda Jordan of Dender Distributing, wholesaler for Anheuser-Busch, one of the event sponsors. “We have plans for children activities, too.”

Other Poker Run sponsors include: Butts County Chamber of Commerce, Monticello Jasper County Chamber of Commerce, Marine Max, Carolyn Perry of Re/Max, American Insulated Glass, J.P. Capital & Insurance, Inc., United Bank, Destiny Homes, Inc., Ranew’s Trucking & Equipment, Reasor’s Landing, Martin’s Marina, Bear Creek Marina Café and Bar and Callaway’s on the Tussahaw.

All proceeds will benefit TEAM Georgia’s Safe Boating Campaign to educate boaters on safe and responsible behavior on Georgia’s waterways.

Since 1985, TEAM Georgia has worked with public safety officials and major sporting and cultural venues around Georgia to educate the public to reduce impaired drivers and operators on Georgia’s roads and waterways and save lives.

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Play it safe on the water and join TEAM Georgia at the 2009 Poker Run!

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