Laps to Conquer M.S., Inc.

A CHARITY DRIVE TO END MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

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Fay Teal & the Laps to Conquer M.S. Team <u>25th</u> in the Tire Rack One Lap of America

Media, PA, May 17 – On May 7th, Fay Teal and the Laps to Conquer M.S., Inc. (LCMS), team finished her *25th* Tire Rack One Lap of America (OLOA) 30th overall (OA), of the 73 entrants, and *4th* in the 11 car Mid Priced Sedan class.

"With my husband David Teal driving the 2006 Audi A4 Quattro Turbo wagon on the autocross and road circuits, and my son Wayne Hickman driving the drag races," says Fay Teal, team captain, "this OLOA was one of highs—14th OA of the 73 competitors at first event, the wet skid pad—and lows—we were last at the 2nd Carolina Motorsports Park event because a hose disconnected from the turbo."

LCMS was 30th overall of the 74 competitors and 4th of the 11 in Mid Priced Sedan Class. This was the 23rd OLOA for LCMS and the 25th for Fay Teal. "We'll keep competing until there is a checkered flag for a 1 Lap win or an MS cure," says Teal. It was the 23rd OLOA for David Teal and 6th for Wayne Hickman.

At the awards banquet, Fay Teal received an engraved mantle clock from OLOA organizer Brock Yates, Jr., congratulating her for 25 years participation in the OLOA and a warm standing ovation from all her fellow competitors. "I used to drive in the OLOA," she reminisced, "but now, I'm cheering for my son and husband to go faster."

The LCMS *drive to end MS* competed in the 2011 The Tire Rack One Lap of America (www.onelapofamericia.com). The 73 OLOA teams traveled almost 3,700 miles through 17 states in 8 days. Starting and finishing at The Tire Rack in South Bend, IN, it visited 8 racetracks for 18 timed events: Grissom Air Force Base, IN; Summit Point Motorsports Park, WV; Carolina Motorsports Park & BMW Performance Center, SC; Daytona International Speedway & Gainesville Raceway, FL; Circuit Grand Bayou, LA; Barber Motorsports Park, AL; and Autobahn Country Club, IL.

The LCMS sponsors who helped the *drive to end MS* include: H2Sport of Canada; Dominion Title Services, Inc. (www.dominiontitleservices.com), Vineland, and Audubon Environmental Inc., Shamong, NJ; and Sunoco Performance Fuels, Marcus Hook, Pa. Additional support came from the Westbrook-RockHill Foundation, Matt's Automotive Service and the Friends of LCMS.

Fay and David Teal, of Media, PA, started Laps to Conquer MS, Inc., in 1989; to increase multiple sclerosis awareness through motorsports after Fay was diagnosed with MS. "I was very involved with motorsports all my life and was getting my competition license," remembers Fay Teal, "but, the MS diagnosis stopped that. Now I use my motorsports passion to combat MS and fund research for a cure."

Since 1989, LCMS has collected over \$170,000 for the National MS Society (www.nationalmssociety.org) while driving over 200,000 miles in the pursuit of the checkered flag for MS. Although the primary focus is MS awareness, "I am pleased that LCMS has collected this much," remarks Fay Teal. "But until the checkered flag waves for MS, LCMS drives on toward the cure." The drive has taken LCMS through 46 of the continental United States during 23 OLOA's.

All OLOA and display costs are met through corporate sponsorship, allowing the donations and contributions made to Laps to Conquer M.S to directly benefit people living with MS. Donations to the *drive to end multiple sclerosis* may be mailed to:

Laps to Conquer MS, Inc., P O Box 94, Lenni, PA 19052-0094.

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