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## **Realtor Fred Smith Named Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Man of the Year**

**Birmingham (July 2015)** – In a recent announcement the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Birmingham chapter named Fred Smith its Man of the Year.

Smith, a Realtor with RealtySouth's Crestline branch, has been involved with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in some way for more than 25 years. "I was 18 years old when a friend of my parents and a member of my sailing club, Stan Wrobel, died of leukemia," Smith said. "As a result of Mr. Wrobel's death, Pine Harbor Yacht Club, now Birmingham Sailing Club, started the Leukemia Cup. This has turned into a worldwide fundraising event that I am proud to say I was a part of from day one," Smith added.

The Man & Woman of the Year (MWOY) campaign is a spirited fundraising competition in communities across the country in which participants build fundraising teams to compete for the title of Man or Woman of the Year. They raise funds for LLS blood cancer research in honor of local children who are blood cancer survivors, the Boy & Girl of the Year. The titles are awarded to the man and woman in each community who raises the most funds during the ten-week campaign. This year's Birmingham chapter Boy and Girl of the Year are Walker Simmons and Mary Elizabeth Olvey.

Smith raised more than \$45,000 for this year's campaign.

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