



Sarasota High School  
Re: Dr. Crihfield (LSSC)  
1000 South School Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 34237

To whom it may concern,

I am a part of the Lady Sailor Service Club at my school. On April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, our club is participating in the communities Relay for Life, benefitting the American Cancer Society. Relay for Life is an event to raise money for cancer awareness and cancer research. Many people are affected by this disease in our community (you may even know one of them) and around the world. This event is run by the American Cancer Society, who does great things for cancer patients - including the funding and support for patients throughout their treatment. The Relay for Life is an all night walk/run event involving many teams who will keep at least one member on the track for a scheduled period of time. The Relay will take place at from 6pm-8am. Hundreds of people will be joining in the fight against cancer. We are all extremely excited to be helping cancer patients and truly making their lives easier.

You are receiving this letter in request of your support for our efforts. In order to achieve our clubs goal (which helps the American Cancer Society achieve its goal of curing cancer), we need your help to raise money for research, educational programs, advocacy and patient services. Please, nothing is too little or too great (ANY amount is acceptable). Donations are easy to make; you can send money to my school at the address above or online at <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/lssc>. If you donate through a check, make it out to the American Cancer Society. Please help us in this powerful search to cure cancer. Together we can make a difference and thank you in advance for your support!

Facts that make a difference:

1. Americans believe cancer is the single most important health problem they, personally, could face in the future.
2. Over 40% of Americans say they have contributed to the American Cancer Society.
3. The ACS is the largest voluntary health organization in the world, raising \$770 million last fiscal year (2001) - (A). They have more than 25 million donors and over 2 million active volunteers.
4. 1.3 million Americans will be diagnosed with cancer this year; more than 550,000 will die.
5. In 2001, total contributions raised by Relay since its inception increased to \$732 million.



**LUMINARIA DONATION FORM- *Help us find a cure!***  
***(Suggested amount of \$5 per candle)***

1. Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

***Light the way to a cure!***

1. This candle is lit for: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. This candle is lit for: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. This candle is lit for: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedicated by: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Checks should be made payable to the American Cancer Society.*

*Please send luminaria donation to:*

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**About the Luminaria Ceremony:**

On April 17<sup>th</sup> at dusk, on Sarasota High School's football field and track, there will be a candle lit ceremony honoring those who lost their lives to cancer. We invite you to this ceremony for you to honor your loved ones, surviving or lost. Guest speakers will share their stories. Candles will outline the entire track and in the stadiums will spell HOPE, these candles represent all survivors and those who lost the battle with cancer. This is a truly moving event. *We honor them tonight, this light represents the love we have for them. It burns for others to see, but it burns brightest in our hearts and in our souls.*