

Teenage Rust to release its second album during Relay for Life fundraiser

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(April 13, 2012) Teenage Rust and the Fabulous Rustettes will debut its sophomore album during a benefit on Sunday, April 15, at BJ's on the Water. The event, which begins at 2 p.m., is in support of the 75th Street restaurant's Relay for Life team, led by restaurant owners and band members Billy and Madlyn Carder.

For more than 26 years, Relay for Life has sponsored a series of overnight events that benefit the American Cancer Society. Proceeds help fund a multitude of services such as research, patient transportation and one-on-one guidance.

Dawn Ward, ACS communications director, said the events are crucial for fundraising, and the money is fed directly into the community.

"Our signature events are fundraisers. Anything we can offer in the local community is provided for by these events," she said. "We want [donors] to understand they have a tangible effect on someone's life."

The Carders joined the fight against cancer in 2000, when Billy was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. A person has a 1 in 50 chance of developing the cancer, according to statistics compiled by the American Cancer Society. The disease attacks white blood cells in the body. The U.S. National Library of Medicine reports the cause of this specific cancer is unknown, but that it often develops in people with weakened immune systems.

Carder said when the news broke, she and her husband's immediate reaction was fear and disbelief.

"It took about a week to sink in," she said. "And then you pick up the pieces and you fight. [Billy] fought and continued to go to work while get-

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Carder, who underwent chemotherapy and radiation treatments, has been cancer-free for 11 years, and the couple is optimistic they have already battled through the worst of the disease.

Now in its 12th year, the Carders' Relay for Life fundraiser will feature a performance by BJ's of the Water's house band, Teenage Rust and the Fabulous Rustettes. As founders of the band, the Carders are excited to release their second album, filled with 13 new songs, to the public. The album will be available for purchase for \$18, or \$22 to join the autograph session at 2 p.m.

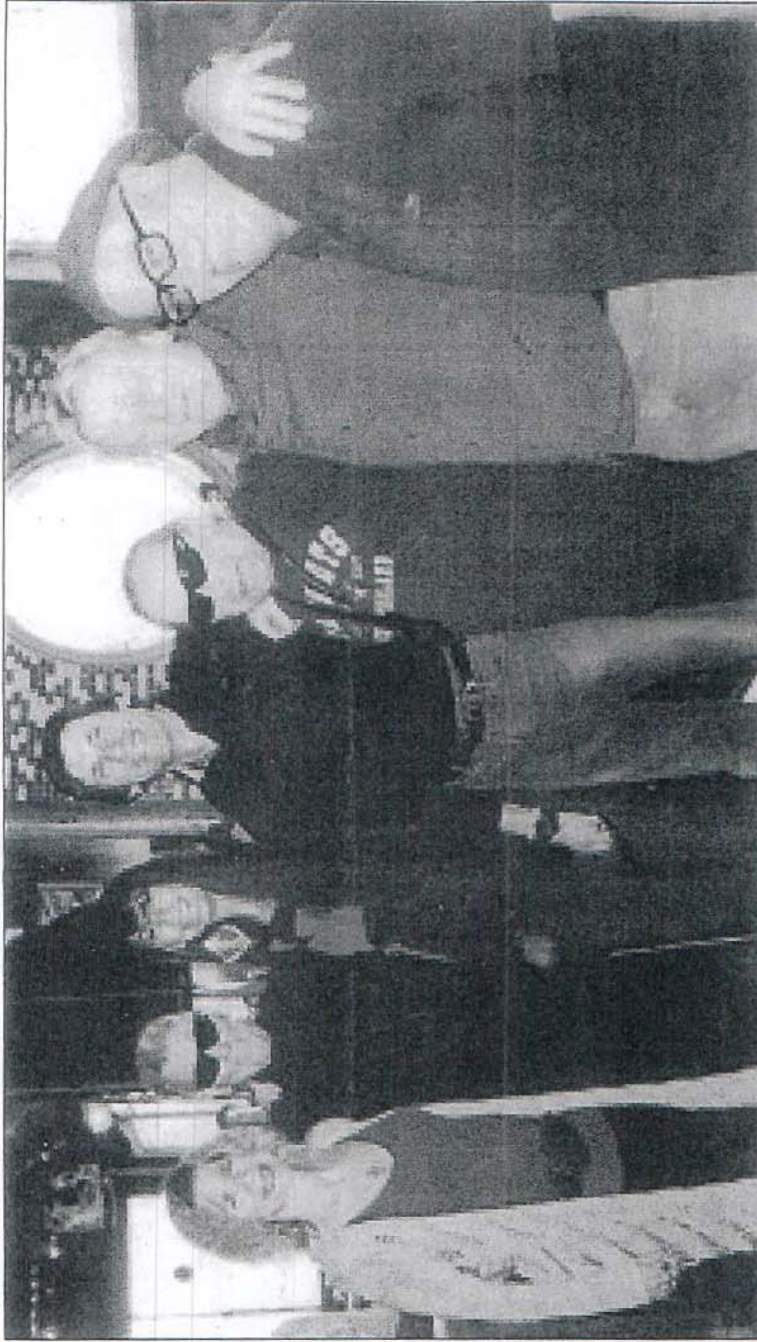
Food and drink specials will accompany the band's set, and \$100 tickets will be available for a 50/50 raffle.

BJ's on the Water raised about \$15,000 during this event last year, and the Carders are happy with any dollar amount in subsequent years. Whatever they raise is more than what the American Cancer Society had before, Carder said.

"There's no one anyone knows, whose life hasn't been touched by cancer," said Carder. "It's the guy sitting at the barstool. It's your mother. It's your cousin. Unless we continue to make people aware, we will not find a cure."

"Thanks to research, it's not a death sentence anymore," she said. "With this money being raised, it gives people hope. This is our way of contributing back."

The benefit is scheduled to end around 6 p.m., when the 50/50 winning ticket will be drawn.



Teenage Rust and the Fabulous Rustettes will release its second album on Sunday, April, 15, during a Relay for Life fundraiser at BJ's on the Water, located on 75th Street and the bay in Ocean City. The CD is available for \$18; \$22 for an autographed copy.