

## Summer Classics donates to American Cancer Society Discovery Shop

## Smith Mountain Lake shop has unique home furnishings focus

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MONTEVALLO, Ala. - Summer Classics, an outdoor furniture manufacturer and retailer, donated more than \$68,000 worth of the company's outdoor furnishings to the American Cancer Society's Smith Mountain Lake Discovery Shop in Moneta, Va.

"All of us who volunteer here at the shop are especially appreciative of this fabulous donation from Summer Classics and our customers are thrilled," said Dee Kropf, merchandise acquisition coordinator for the Shop.

The Smith Mountain Lake Discovery Shop is the only Discovery Shop in the country that is specifically focused on home furnishings, and is operated entirely by volunteers. The shop is open six days a week, and sells high-quality home furnishings to raise money for the fight against cancer. In addition to offering merchandise, the Shop provides information on cancer and treatments for the disease. It is also a place for those fighting cancer and those who have won their battle with the disease to meet and support one another in monthly groups. For more than 40 years, the American Cancer Society has operated Discovery Shops across the country.

This is the first donation from Summer Classics to the Discovery Shop, and Summer Classics is happy to support this organization as they continue to look for a cure to this terrible disease," said Harold Hudson, vice president of sales and marketing for Summer Classics.

In addition to Summer Classics' generous donation, the company's Gabby division also made its second donation of thousands of dollars worth of home furnishings to the ACS's Smith Mountain Lake Discovery Shop.

"We've been working with the Discovery shop for over a year and we are excited to continue to help this great organization in the fight against cancer," said William White, VP of Gabby.

"This year alone we have donated over \$100,000 to fight cancer and we will continue to support this cause," Hudson said.

Earlier this year, at High Point Market, the company donated more than \$20,000 to the University of North Carolina's Cancer Treatment Facility in honor of Susan Lambeth, a former Summer Classics sales representative, who lost her battle with ovarian cancer two years ago. The company also makes donations to Friends of Hale County, an organization in Alabama created to help Alabamians in times of need. Summer Classics has also made a donation to The Arc of Tuscaloosa's silent auction to raise funds for adults with mental disabilities.

For more information, visit: www.summerclassics.com and www.discoveryshopsva.com.