

Coast to Coast in 80 Days

Beginning on Jan. 2, 2009, Jim Beauhall will begin a walk that will take him from Jacksonville, FL, to Santa Monica, CA, a distance of 2,160 miles in 80 days. His purpose for doing this is two-fold: to raise money for the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence and to bring awareness to the Amie Comeaux Foundation.

The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence is a grassroots non-profit membership organization working since 1978 to end violence in the lives of women and children. They provide a national network for state coalitions and local programs serving battered women and their children which include public policy at the national level, technical assistance, community awareness campaigns, general information and referrals, and publications on the issue of domestic violence. They also sponsor a national conference every two years for battered women and their advocates. The coalition has offices in Denver and Washington, DC, as well as the network of state coalitions. General information, membership information and product catalogue are available from the Denver office.

The Amie Comeaux Foundation is a not-for-profit organization established for the discovery and development of new and aspiring musical artists as well as to provide financial assistance for the NCADV and its sister organizations around the country.

About Amie Comeaux: At 16 years old, Amie was one of the youngest country singers ever to be signed to a major recording label. Unfortunately, just as her career was shifting into high gear, that label folded. However, with the encouragement of her new manager, she recorded 20 songs from which to record a new project album. That quest ended when she was taken from us by an auto accident just 17 days after her 21st birthday. However, her manager has worked tirelessly over the last 10 years to keep her memory alive. The result being that she is still a favorite of country music fans in this country and around the world and is still residing among the top 40 on the European music charts. To commemorate her life, the Louisiana Legislature, this year, declared the third Saturday in May of each year to officially be the Amie Comeaux Music Festival Day and the first of those will take place May 16, 2009, in Denham Springs, LA, sponsored by the Bass Pro Shop there.

About Jim Beauhall: At 76 years of age, he is probably the oldest man ever to make such a journey in so short a period of time. His motivation is simple and absolute. Due to the fact that he was Amie's manager at the time of her death, he has taken it upon himself to establish her foundation and to support the charity that was her choice.