

Annual Report 2005 - 2006



DANITA MORGAN
2005-2006 President
Junior League of Raleigh



Dear friends,

As we began the 2005-2006 League year, we asked our members to play hard for our community, play smart with our finances and play together to build membership satisfaction. We hoped for great things. Our members delivered.

Our 688 Active members, 108 Provisionals and 822 Sustaining members enriched our community, placed the League in great financial condition and strengthened relationships with other women who share their passion for voluntarism. They shared their time and talents unselfishly with the children and families we serve and with one another.

Many thanks to our friends and community partners who supported us during the past year. You are a cornerstone of our continued success. Please enjoy reading about the League's accomplishments during 2005-2006.

2005-2006 financial information will be complete at the conclusion of the annual audit this fall. This report then will be made available on the League's Web site, www.jlraleigh.org.

League presents three Legacy Awards

The Junior League of Raleigh established the Legacy Awards to provide support to programs in which the League has had significant involvement through financial and volunteer support. In 2005-2006, the League honored three outstanding community agencies as Legacy Award Winners with grants of \$5,000 each.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Wake County opened in Raleigh almost 40 years ago with the Junior League at its side. Sustainers Julia Daniels, Blanche Bacon and Flo Winston were instrumental in founding the organization that today serves more than 3,300 children in five locations and Camp BTI in Wake County. The mission of the Boys and Girls Clubs is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. The League has financially supported the Boys and Girls Clubs, including a gift of \$50,000 to open the Girls Club. The Spring Carnival is a Provisional Class tradition. League mem-

bers now serving on the Board of Directors include Easter Maynard, Susan Vick and Gwinn Moss. Blanche Bacon serves on the Advisory Council.

StepUP serves disadvantaged individuals and families who demonstrate the commitment to become self sufficient. Founded in 1988 by members of White Memorial Presbyterian Church, StepUP now is an independent nonprofit organization, which serves hundreds of children and families each year. One of the early StepUP Board members was League member Jane Folk. In 2005-2006 31 League volunteers on Team StepUP, Captained by Harriet Stephenson



The Junior League of Raleigh presented Legacy Awards to three outstanding agencies: Ralph Capps, Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Clubs, Anna Troutman, Community Services Director, Tammy Lynn Center for Children with Developmental Disabilities, and John Bush, Executive Director of StepUP Ministry.

and Courtney Worley, worked with children in the program. League Members serving on the StepUP Board included Board Immediate Past President Helen Evans—a 2005-2006 Board Sustaining Advisor; Susan Bowers, 2006-2007 League President; and Patricia Evans.

Tammy Lynn Center was founded in 1969 by three families of children with special needs. To confront the lack of responsive care for their children, these families established a day program, which served seven students in its first year at the Greenwood Forest Baptist Church in Cary. The first building on the west Raleigh campus was constructed in 1979, and the agency now serves more than 450 families annually through day services, residential services, respite care and early childhood intervention. The League has supported this agency with financial and volunteer resources through the years. Sustainer Tracy Vinson has been very involved with Tammy Lynn over the years in A Toast to the Triangle, and Provisional Michele Cook is a valued volunteer.

Thanks to our Legacy Award recipients for all that you contribute to our community!



A Shopping Spree! enjoys record breaking year



Linnell Vaughn, Sherri Cass, and Julie Woodson

Under the outstanding leadership of SPREE! chairs Carol Wagoner and Pat Wilkins, the 2005 SPREE! was the League's most successful ever.

In late 2004, the League learned that due to construction in downtown Raleigh, the Civic Center would not be available for SPREE! 2005. The SPREE! team took on the challenge of putting on a four-day show with more than 100 vendors and 11,000 shoppers in a new location. They gave us a SPREE!

that surpassed our expectations. The silent auction raised \$24,000—the most ever. The team and staff initiated online sign up for shifts. They supported the more than 600 League volunteers who worked a shift at the SPREE! Their hard work paid off. The total raised at the 2005 SPREE! far exceeded the budgeted goal AND was the highest ever—\$266,078!

Natural Learning Initiative at Heritage Park opens on May 16

Be sure to read more about the opening of the Natural Learning Initiative at Heritage Park on page 19.

Special thanks go to the League leaders and our community partners who have helped make the Natural Learning Initiative a reality for the children and families of Heritage Park:

- From the Junior League—Susan Vick, Melanie Rankin, Lori Woods, Alicia Morris, Catherine Clark and the entire Heritage Park Team, Megg Rader, Virginia Parker, Susan McAllister, Beth Graves, Melissa Matton, Maria Dameron, Beth Lowery and Elaine Whitford
- All the Residents of Heritage Park—especially Ms. Josephine McCullers, a member of the Communities in Schools Board and the Head of the Heritage Park Residents' Council
- Nichols Hinton, a second grader at Oak Grove Elementary. His family, including his mom Karen Hinton, was on the planning and design team for the NLI.

The Hinton family has been active participants of the learning center since 1998.

- Steve Beam with the Raleigh Housing Authority
- Ken Brooks of Brooks Landscape Design
- Pam Davis and LaToya Jeffries of Communities in Schools of Wake County. LaToya also is a Community Advisor to the Junior League.
- Louise Boney McCoy of the Hillsdale Fund
- Robin Moore, Nilda Cosco and Harriet Bellerjeau of N.C. State University
- Art Scherer of Go Out and Play
- Starbucks
- The Late Gordon Blackwell
- Susan and Jay Vick



Danita Morgan and Mayor Charles Meeker



League funds help establish new Boys and Girls Club



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

During 2005-2006, League members reaffirmed our commitment to children in our community by voting to continue our target area Promising Youth. And, after careful research of community needs by the Community Research and Project Development Team, League members voted to collaborate with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Wake County to open a sixth Club to serve at-risk Hispanic youth in the Brentwood section of northeast Raleigh.

At the March GMM, League members voted to help fund the new center with \$78,000 of the proceeds from the 2005 Governor's Inaugural Ball. This grant will be awarded over two years. The League also will provide trained volunteers to work with at least 200 youngsters at the site, which is being renovated this summer.

The Junior League grant will be combined with an additional \$50,000 from the Office of Justice Programs Grant from Boys & Girls Clubs of America to support this special outreach initiative. Boys & Girls Clubs of America currently serves more than 4.4 million children and teens in more than 3,000 Clubs across the country. Locally, the Boys & Girls Club serves more than 3,890 youth with more than 5 percent of the total membership representing Latinos.

"We are looking forward to working with the Junior League of Raleigh to provide the children of the Brentwood community a center that will offer youth opportunities to become involved in a variety of activities,

while taking pride in themselves," said Ralph Capps, President/CEO of the Wake County Boys & Girls Clubs.

Junior League volunteers will help with tutoring; starting and leading book clubs, math or writing clubs; leading drama, dance, photography, music or cooking classes; or guiding a leadership or community service club.

The Wake County Boys & Girls Clubs currently operates five Clubs and a summer day camp serving children and teens 6 to 18 years old. The Clubs offer programs in five core program areas: the arts; character and leadership development; education and career development; health and life skills; and sports, fitness and recreation.

The new Club will serve a membership of a minimum of 200 children during its first year, with a daily attendance of at least 60. Plans call for the Club to operate at least 25 hours a week, 50 weeks per year with daily hours of 2:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays during the school year and all day during the summer. Saturday programs also will be offered.

The League is proud of its long association with the Boys & Girls Clubs and is pleased to be involved with establishing this new center—a perfect fit with our target area—Promising Youth.

To be a JLR member is to have a place—a place in shaping the community and making it a better place; and a place in a big, supportive family of fellow League members. From helping me develop my potential as a leader to providing incredible role models, the Junior League of Raleigh has enriched my life in so many ways.

—Jane Martinez

2005-2006 Training & Communications VP

OTHER 2005-2006 HIGHLIGHTS

Play hard for the community

- 258 members served in community placements
- JLR helped ensure that children were immunized for school with the first Big Shot Saturday held in collaboration with other N.C. Leagues and Wake County Human Services
- JLR began working with WRAL's Coats for the Children
- JLR successfully nominated Girls on the Run founder Mandy Beard for the YWCA Academy of Women
- JLR successfully nominated StepUP for a statewide homeless award
- The Bargain Box increased distribution of Bargain Bucks gift certificates to agencies to \$22,300
- Team Quick Impact executed 38 projects for community agencies

Play smart with our finances

- SteinMart Style Exchange increased clothing donations to \$16,000
- The first Literary Luncheon was held to support the future Center for Community Leadership
- The Building without Boundaries Campaign topped \$1.77 million in support for the new Center for Community Leadership
- The Annual Fund exceeded its goal

Play together to build membership satisfaction

- Taking Care of Members provided assistance for 185 members
- 360 members attended the 75th anniversary celebration
- 108 Provisional members completed their training to become Actives
- A Lifelong Membership award was initiated to honor long-term service to the League and the community
- 150 members attended the Savvy Women Leaders Conference held in collaboration with the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce

Community placements

Chorus	Kids Café
Girls on the Run	Kids on the Block
Guardian ad Litem	Quick Impact
Helping Horse	SAFEchild
Heritage Park	StepUP Ministry
	Taking Care of Business

2005-2006 COMMUNITY GRANTS

JLR ALLOCATED MORE THAN \$50,000 TO LOCAL AGENCIES

Agency	Amount	Purpose of Funding
Alliance Medical Ministry	\$1,800	Expand medical services for low-income families with technology
Artspace	\$4,000	Outreach art programs
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Triangle	\$2,000	Mentoring program for "big" and "littles"
Eckerd Youth Alternatives, Inc.	\$1,000	Scholarships for boys and girls in youth alternative programs
F.I.G.S.	\$2,000	Prescriptions for those who have no insurance
Garner Road YMCA	\$3,000	Transportation to programs
Hospice of Wake County	\$3,000	Bereavement resources for children
Interact	\$5,000	Youth Education Services (YES) program
Learning Together	\$4,000	Best Buddies program in English and Spanish
Mariposa School	\$3,000	Training for those working with children with autism
Neighbor to Neighbor	\$4,000	Math coordinator for HOST program
Noire Productions	\$2,000	Self-development seminars for black youth
Poe Center	\$1,147	Programs for youth health issues
Prevent Child Abuse NC	\$3,000	Education materials to prevent child abuse
SAFEchild	\$4,000	PLUS program—Parents Learning, Understanding and Sharing
Triangle Family Services	\$4,000	Time together visitation
Wade Edwards Foundation	\$4,000	Link-2-Learn project with older adults at Glenwood Towers
Wake Relief	\$4,000	Food for families awaiting food stamps
Total	\$54,947	

2005-2006 COMMUNITY NEEDS GRANTS

Agency	Amount	Purpose of Funding
Scouting Beyond Bars	\$645	Girl Scout Troop for incarcerated mothers and their daughters
Red Cross	\$2,500	Assisting displaced Katrina victims living in Raleigh
Total	\$3,145	

To work with the Junior League of Raleigh is both inspirational and exciting; their dedication to improving the community, and the enthusiasm and skill with which they do so, contributes enormously to the well-being of our entire community.

—Marjorie Menestres
SAFEchild Executive Director

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF RALEIGH STAFF

Headquarters staff
Susan Stanhope
Joe Wallach
Lori Woods
Melanie Rankin
Terri Ferraro
Vicki Potter

Bargain Box staff
Judy Adams
Charles Terry
Rusty Massey
Cindy Stephens
Michele Nowak
Steven Pearce
Nancy Hight
Kristin Cook

2005-2006 LEADERSHIP TEAM

Board

President	Danita Morgan
President-elect	Susan Bowers
Community VP	Beth Lowery
Funding VP	Elaine Whitford
Membership VP	Michele Roach
Planning VP	Lisa Vanderberry
Training & Communications VP	Jane Martinez
Nominating Captain	Nancy Bromhal
Secretary	Whitney von Haam
Treasurer	Kari Stoltz
Sustaining Advisors	Helen Evans, Sarah Wesley Fox & Jill Gammon
President's Assistant	Alicia Morris

Community Council

Chorus	Winnie Bolton
Community Funding	Gloria Johnson
Community Research & Project Development	Amey Watkins
Girls on the Run	Margery Knott
Guardian ad Litem	Kelly Gruber & Jennifer Sotir
Helping Horse	Jane Hamlin
Heritage Park	Alicia Alford & Catherine Clark
Kids Café	Julie Clayton
Kids on the Block	Becky Hurley
Placement Assistant	Perri Mathews
Public Affairs	Lisa Hollowell
Quick Impact	Sally Burlington & Meg Montgomery
SAFEchild	Deb Prince
StepUP Ministry	Harriet Stephenson & Courtney Worley
Taking Care of Business	Courtney Dozier & Gail Reid Vestal
Secretary	Paige Van Lenten
Sustaining Advisor	Suzi Bevacqua

Funding Council

Annual Fund	Margaret McCoy
Bargain Box	Gentry Hoffman & Miranda Mays
Capital Campaign	Graham Satsky & Virginia Yopp
Capital Campaign Sustaining Advisors	Jill Gammon, Jennie Hayman & Meg Rader
Cookbook	Katie Lyon & Julia Young
Treasurer-Elect	Wynn Bettinsoli
SPREE!	Carol Wagoner & Pat Wilkins
Secretary	Kathy Pretzer
Sustaining Advisor	Cynthia Parker

Membership Council

Arrangements	Jennifer Doerfler & Molly Shepherd
Member-at-Large, Taking Care of Members	Lisa Marie Ferrell
Membership Development	Michelle Pilos & Ragan Ramsey
Placement	Tina Jones
Sustainers	Blair Smallman
Transfers	Caroline Russell
Secretary	Marla Turlington
Sustaining Advisor	Bari Jo Davis

Planning Council

Bright Ideas	Carrie Barbee
Immediate Past President	Susan McAllister
Kitchen Tour Research	Mollie Hodl & Gail Scoggin
Project Guide	Heidi Jurgens & Kate Wisz
SPREE! Assistants	Tricia Goodson & Kathryn West
Nominating Assistant & Secretary	Patti R. Benedict
Sustaining Advisor	Linda Nunnallee

Training & Communications Council

Arrangements Assistants	Erin Baker & Nikki Bass
Leadership Center Task Force	Susan Vick
The Link	Rachel Davis Mersey & DeShelia Spann
Provisionals	Keri Eddins
Public Relations	Jaimie Camesano
Training	Tish Hamilton & Michelle Whichard
75th Anniversary	Anne Rogers & Susan Stevens
75th Anniv. Sustaining Advisor	Celia Mitchell
Secretary	Katherine Anne Hamlin
Sustaining Advisor	Anne Ramsay

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF RALEIGH, INCORPORATED
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	May 31	
	2006	2005
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 843,427	\$ 733,124
Capital campaign contributions receivable (discounted)	482,152	421,932
Building escrow deposit	-	50,000
Accounts receivable	14,775	45,154
Inventories	139,450	129,677
Investments	553,262	413,266
Investments designated for Endowment and Legacy	409,820	376,788
Other assets	17,981	31,752
Total current assets	2,460,867	2,201,693
Property and equipment		
Building	234,728	234,728
Furnishings and equipment	117,839	117,839
Leasehold improvements	148,993	148,993
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(413,010)	(394,394)
Property and equipment, net	88,550	107,166
 TOTAL ASSETS	 \$ 2,549,417	 \$ 2,308,859
 LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 30,346	\$ 27,346
Advance collection of dues	155,239	154,698
Deferred revenue	41,037	28,483
Total current liabilities	226,622	210,527
Net assets		
Temporarily restricted net assets	787,047	584,456
Unrestricted net assets		
Designated		
Facilities	181,960	181,960
Operations/contingencies	400,000	400,000
Endowment	338,564	316,574
Legacy	71,255	60,214
State Public Affairs Committee	10,367	15,664
Inaugural Ball designated for community projects	114,111	178,111
Undesignated	419,491	361,353
Total unrestricted net assets	1,535,748	1,513,876
Total net assets	2,322,795	2,098,332
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	 \$ 2,549,417	 \$ 2,308,859

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

The statement of financial position shown on the prior page is taken from the audited financial statements of the Junior League of Raleigh prepared by Boyce, Furr and Company, LLP. The entire audit report is available at the League headquarters.