

Junior League Books Make Thousands of Dreams Come True

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In 2002 The Junior League of Houston, Inc. published an enchanting children's book, *Sweet Dreams Douglas*, by Regan Dunnick. Since then, not only have thousands of Junior League members and friends purchased copies of the book to enjoy with their children and grandchildren, but the Junior League has donated copies of the book to dozens of organizations around Houston so that sick and underprivileged children may enjoy the book as well. For many of these children, *Sweet Dreams Douglas* may be the first book they have ever owned. Despite the varied backgrounds of children reading *Sweet Dreams Douglas*, one theme always rings true – kids do not want to go to sleep! Douglas is a "typical" dog – he does not want to go to bed and will do almost anything to keep his eyes from closing. Douglas' adventures make children laugh, especially little ones needing enjoyment in their lives. In an ongoing effort to support one of the League's focus areas – children's education – and to promote literacy among children, the League has donated more than 2,200 copies of *Sweet Dreams Douglas* in the last six months. Organizations such as Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital and Texas Children's Hospital use the books to entertain sick children. Other agencies, such as Casa de Esperanza de los Niños and BEAR ... BE A Resource for CPS Kids and Bo's Place , offer the books as gifts to children. The Fort Bend County Library and local YMCAs have received cases of the book as well. If you know of an organization in need of children's books, or would like to purchase *Sweet Dreams Douglas*, please contact Melissa Garlington, Junior League of Houston Publishing Chairman, at 713.871.6608. The Junior League of Houston, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. **The Junior**

League of Houston Celebrates at its 59th Annual Charity Ball

February 2007

HOUSTON, TEXAS – On February 1, 2, and 3, 2007, the Junior League of Houston will host the 59th Annual Charity Ball, Southern Nights. Mary Eliza Shaper serves as the ball's chairman. Denis Davis Mayfield serves as the underwriting chairman. More than 1,000 guests are expected to attend over three nights. The ball is the celebration of the League's largest fundraising effort for its community initiatives.

The Junior League of Houston Wins 2007 ADDY Award

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HOUSTON, TEXAS – The Junior League of Houston, Inc.'s *Houston News* magazine was awarded a 2007 ADDY award from the Houston Advertising Federation (HAF) for design and editing. HAF is an association of professionals in advertising, marketing and communications. *Houston News* magazine is published twice a year. Courtney Altmore serves as the magazine's editor. Special thanks to Bobbie Hazeltine of Hazeltine Design and Advertising.