



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SPRINGFIELD TO HOLD 51st ANNUAL CHARITY BALL EVENT**

SPRINGFIELD, MO, March 11, 2010 - The Junior League of Springfield

The Junior League of Springfield, (JLS), is set to hold the 51st annual Charity Ball event April 24, 2010 to be held at Highland Springs Country Club. For the past 50 years, JLS has been active in developing numerous projects throughout the Springfield community due partly to the annual Charity Ball fundraiser.

“The Charity Ball has become a tradition in the Springfield community. It is a great way for both our volunteers and community supporters to build a stronger Junior League in a social setting,” said Andrea McKinney, JLS President.

In 2008 Charity Ball took us to the west coast for a spectacular red carpet “Hollywood” event; in 2009 our theme brought us back to Springfield for “Cheers to 50 years”, a celebration to the 50 years of service and achievement of JLS. The 2010 Charity Ball is taking us to the Big Apple for “A Black and White Gotham Affair”, sure to be an elegant and memorable evening of entertainment.

The evening will begin at 5:30 with the Patron’s party. Charity Ball begins at 6:30, followed by cocktails and dinner at 7:30. Tickets for the event begin at \$150, and range based on sponsorship level. For more information on the event or to purchase tickets, visit the Junior League of Springfield website at [www.jlspringfield.org](http://www.jlspringfield.org).

JLS has been responsible for projects such as the Boys and Girls Club, the Discovery Center, Ozarks Public Television and CASA are just a few of the organizations positively impacted by JLS. Just two years ago, we opened the doors to our signature project, Isabel’s House, the Crisis Nursery of the Ozarks. Isabel’s House provides 24/7 care, free of charge, to children whose families are experiencing a unique crisis.

Since 1959, the Junior League of Springfield has contributed more than \$4.6 million dollars and more than 1.3 million hours of volunteer service to the Springfield community. JLS is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action of trained volunteers. Its purposes are exclusively educational and charitable.

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