



The Caring Times

Giving Hearts, Lending A Hand...Making A Difference!

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Enchantment Under the Sea 2019 JUBILEE



Leslie Van Boven and Sharon Dunn

Our 2019 JUBILEE Weekend was held January 26th -28th and was a huge success! The purpose of the JUBILEE is to create a single fundraiser within our community to fund all the grants and projects of JL Cares for the year. This year's events included our "Enchantment Under the Sea" Gala with Silent Auction and our announcement of our Volunteer of the Year, a Golf

Tournament, and Game Day for members and guests to play Bridge, Canasta or Mah Jongg.

Our gala evening began with cocktails & hors d'oeuvres in the lobby and lounge, giving everyone a chance to bid on the numerous silent auction items on display throughout the lobby. Dinner and dancing followed in the main dining room with music from DJ Mike Perry from KOOL 105.5. Chef Joseph and his staff went above and beyond to serve an extraordinary meal and dessert. Thank you to everyone that had a part in the success of the JUBILEE festivities!

Our Gala and Board Chair, Stacey Stack in her finest mermaid dress, and Dennis Dunn, awarded the 2019 Volunteer of the

Year Award to our surprised and gracious recipient, Mr. Ken Salka. Ken has been a long-time volunteer in the Jupiter area.

Ken has been especially interested in literacy programs and mentored students at Jupiter Elementary School twice a week. Ken coordinated JL volunteers painting houses and working on sponsored Habitat for Humanity home construction. He created the Masters' Betting Party generating the first "helping hand" money received by JL Cares. He later served on the JL Cares Board, ultimately becoming its Chair. Ken has also served on the JLGC Board of Directors & Executive Committee. Now Ken can be found spending countless hours caring for the needs of his neighbors and friends, checking in, taking them to doctors appointments, preparing meals, helping with home renovations and more!

Congratulations to Ken Salka, our 2019 Volunteer of the Year!



JUBILEE Silent Auction

Our generous community, members and bidders again helped us break records raising \$75,266 in our Silent Auction and "Give From The Heart" board. The four agencies spotlighted on our board were Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, Junior Achievement, Renewal Coalition & Jack the Bike Man. This board allows donors to write in their name and donation amount and was instrumental in raising \$31,000. A new auction item which created lots of excitement was a Progressive Dinner for 8 Guests which brought in a whopping \$4,350.00! Thank you to all who so generously placed their winning bids and donated!

Many thanks to our donations committee of Don Pray, Greg Adams, Bob Schaefer, Joe Follayttar, Peggy Erdlen, Dennis & Sharon Dunn, Matt & Maureen Mone and Linda Gilmore. Special thanks to Neil Lockie and the golf staff that helped secure dozens of golf donations. Thank you to everyone involved in the setup of the silent auction, clean up the night of the gala, and check-out in the days following the gala.



NEWS: JL Cares Supports Two New Agencies in 2019

This year our Gifts & Grants Committee selected two new agencies to support, Family Promise and Our Sister's Place.

Family Promise



Taylor Materio

Family Promise of North Central Palm Beach County develops partnerships with the interfaith community to help local homeless children by empowering their families to regain self-sufficiency. In order to meet this overarching organizational goal, they provide a comprehensive 90-day program of family strengthening services that enable a rapid return to independent living, and a relapse prevention program focused on long-term stability. Services provided include: intake and needs assessment, goal plan development, shelter and meals, financial planning, employment services, life skills coaching, transportation, mentoring and more.

Our Sister's Place



Al & Hazel Raigue, Bernie Halligan, Jane Wagley, Susan Heher

Our Sister's Place provides emergency shelter through their hotel/motel program. They are the only resource for the communities of Lake Park, North Palm, Juno Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Jupiter and Tequesta. Their mission and purpose are to provide safety, security, food, clothing and personal items for battered women and children who are fleeing their abusers/abusive situations. Other unique services provided: rent and utility deposits for permanent housing after shelter, furniture and household goods, pro bono legal assistance, school and assistance, sheltering of male victims and older male children, personal services and much, much more.

Rebuilding the Palm Beaches & JL Cares Helping Homeowners



Each year, volunteers of JL Cares work with Rebuilding the Palm Beaches to freshen one or two local homes by repainting the home's exterior, cleaning up the property and providing landscape plantings. Homes are revitalized for individuals that are low income, elderly or disabled, turning their home into a place of pride for the homeowner and the community. Dennis Dunn will be leading his next group of volunteers on Saturday, December 14th. Contact Dennis at jddunn88@hotmail.com if you'd like to get involved. Mike Lampos will also coordinate a crew of volunteers on April 2, 2020. Watch for details.



JL Cares Receives the 2019 "Champions Award" from Sunset House

Stacey Stack, JL Cares Chair, receives the Champions Award for JL Cares from Bill Deskin, Sunset House Board President and Mike Gordon, at the Inaugural "A Better Tomorrow" recognition breakfast. Mike Trim, WPTV newscaster, was the emcee for the affair.



Sunset House Champions Award - Mike Gordon, Stacey Stack, Bill Deskin, Mike Trim, WPTV

Dennis Dunn, JL Cares Treasurer, was also present. The award recognizes a foundation or business who provided outstanding support to Sunset House and JL Cares is the first recipient. Trim noted the significant impact of JL Cares grants to Sunset House over many years including, most recently, electronic medical records software that facilitated their revenues and improve overall client care.



Sunset House VOL of the Year Don Pray, Stacey Stack, Penny Pray, Mike Trim, WPTV

the gold standard for the best drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities.

Don Pray and wife Penny were accompanied by Stacey Stack and Mike Trim of WPTV. Pray was recognized as the "Volunteer of the Year" for his assistance to Sunset House since 2007, including chairing the Freedom Classic Golf Tournament for 7 years, helping facilitate the Sober House building acquisition and recently assisting with the refinance of that building.

Sunset house is a 34-bed Florida licensed Level IV Residential Treatment Facility in Palm Beach Gardens that helps men address their drug and/or alcohol addiction. They recently received Joint Commission (JACHO) Accreditation in Behavioral Health, which is considered

Forgotten Soldiers Outreach

JL Cares held a packing day at Forgotten Soldiers in Lake Worth February 11th with 20 volunteers and packed 102 “we care” boxes to be shipped to troops stationed overseas. These care packages provide a huge morale boost for the troops as many soldiers’ families cannot afford to send them packages.

The group presented Lynelle Zelnar, Executive Director of FSO with a check from JL Cares for \$2,500 and 12 of our members contributed an addl. \$3,000 to support FSO mailings and operations. Additionally, 4 members generously donated supplies to FSO to replenish items in their warehouse. Volunteers did additional packing days on April 1st and May 13th.

We are scheduled this season to have FSO Packing Days on December 16, February 10th, April 6th and a date yet to be determined in summer of 2020. These packing days are coordinated by Don Pray during the ‘season’ and by Stacey Stack in the summer. Watch for details to come.



Easter Baskets

Happy Easter! A record amount of 212 Easter baskets were received and this exceeded all past results and requested baskets by over 100. This generous response allowed JL Cares to distribute 107 baskets to the Edna Runner Tutorial Center, 50 baskets to El Sol and 55 baskets to Jupiter Elementary School. Many thanks to all who helped out and donated!



Thanksgiving Baskets

Each year, many of our members and JL residents help us honor our mission of serving our community by putting together and donating Thanksgiving baskets for local families. Each basket is filled with items for Thanksgiving dinner along with a \$25 Publix gift card so that a turkey may be purchased. Last year’s efforts were very successful for the families of the Edna Runner Tutorial Center and we look forward to our upcoming collection scheduled for baskets to be dropped off at the clubhouse on or before 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 25, 2019.



Christmas Angel Tree



JL Cares’ Angel Tree is a blessing for all involved! Last December, 170 gifts were provided for children at the Edna Runner Tutorial Center and seniors at the local Rehabilitation Center. This year’s Angel Trees became available for selection on November 4th and gifts must be returned by



Monday, December 2, 2019. A reception will take place at 4:30 pm. Please take a tag and bless a local child or senior this holiday season! If you are unable to shop for an Angel, a

tax-deductible contribution made out to “JL Cares” may be dropped off at the Clubhouse Reception desk to the attention of JL Cares-Angel Tree/Nancy Heichemer.

Thank You!

Special Thanks to everyone that supports Jonathan's Landing Cares through your donations, volunteerism, participation in fundraising efforts and memorial gifts. We simply could not do all that we do for the underserved without your help. We are thankful for you and for the many lives that you bless on behalf of JL CARES!



Grants & Gifts

*Support of Donations and Gifts to the Jupiter Community
May 1, 2018 - April 30, 2019*

Agency	Amount	Purpose
CASH GIFTS & GRANTS		
WEST JUPITER COMMUNITY CENTER	25,000	Homework assistance, individual tutoring, health education, music lessons and life skills management.
EL SOL	20,000	Improves the quality of life by providing services to those in need, especially day laborers & their families.
MY CLINIC	20,000	Free primary medical and dental care to low income uninsured adults.
PALM BEACH HARVEST	15,000	Provides food 365 days to thousands who would otherwise go without eating.
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	15,000	Help working poor, elderly and homeless facing temporary monetary crisis.
PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY	15,000	Provide help and healing to local children and their families battling cancer.
SUNSET HOUSE	15,000	Treatment program for men who wish to recover from chemical dependency.
JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT	15,000	Educating students about workforce readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy.
THELMA PITTMAN PRE-SCHOOL	13,000	Early childhood education and development program – age birth to five.
FORGOTTEN SOLDIERS	10,000	Ships care packages and letters to military serving overseas.
JUPITER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	10,000	After school tutoring program for low income students.
RENEWAL COALITION	10,000	Provides wounded service members the opportunity to escape the rigors of hospital & rehabilitation
JUPITER COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL	7,700	English as a second language tutorial program.
FAMILY PROMISE	7,500	Partner with churches to help homeless children by empowering their families to regain self-sufficiency.
JACK THE BIKE MAN	7,500	Provides hope to the less fortunate through support, training and access to bicycles.
OUR SISTERS PLACE	7,500	Direct services to victims and those at risk of domestic violence.
JUPITER MEDICAL FOUNDATION	5,000	Provided wheelchairs.
REBUILDING THE PALM BEACHES	5,000	Painting projects to revitalize houses for low income families.
SOUTH FLORIDA PGA FOUNDATION	3,000	Junior golf education and scholarships.
SEMINOLE REGION CHARITY TOURNAMENT	2,000	Raise funds for local South Florida charities.
	\$228,200	
GOODS & SERVICES DONATED		
ANGEL TREE	22,250	Holiday packages for children and seniors.
THANKSGIVING & EASTER BASKETS	13,275	Food baskets to needy Jupiter families.
	\$263,725	Grand total of donations and gifts to the community

Here's a snapshot of some of the local Organizations we have the fortune of supporting with Grants from our Fundraising Efforts



*Jack the Bike Man
Alex Hernandez, Rosemary Phillips, Jack Hairston*



*Junior Achievement
Lynn Nicholson, Claudia Barto, Teresa Price*



*Jupiter Elementary
Nicole Daly, Bernie Halligan*



*Renewal Coalition
Stacey Stack, Mary Hinton, Nancy Heichemer*



*My Clinic – Patricia Ferrer, Yvonne Santiago, Alexandra Davenport,
Amy Pepper, Diane Williams, Carlos Poveda, Frank Walsh*



*Palm Beach Harvest
Deborah Morgan, Don Berig*



*So FL PGA – Stacey Stack,
Neil Lockie, Nancy Heichemer*



*Jupiter HS
Dr. Kelly Easterling, Susan Heher*



*POST – Barbara Abernathy,
Maura Fitzgerald*



*Sunset House
Stacey Stack, Mike Gordon*



*Thelma Pittman Pre-School – Bill Magrogan,
Rosemary Phillips, Linda Agyapong, Pat Magrogan*



*West Jupiter Community Center
Anna Poulin, Bernie Halligan, Edna Runner*

Changing of the Guard for JLC Board



Vince Tarduogno and Corky Hogan.

April ended another fruitful year for the stewards of JL Cares. It is a time when we say farewell to members who have completed their terms of service and the time when we welcome newly elected members to the Board. This year we welcomed three new members...Nancy Heichemer,

During Dennis Dunn's 6 years on the Board, he served as Treasurer for the first two years, Chair for the next two years and then Treasurer for his last two years. Before and during that time, he organized JL Cares House Painting each December and also organized the JL Cares Jubilee Golf Tournament with Stacey Stack. Dennis also helped secure donations for the Jubilee Silent Auction while on the board, working with Braman, Tito's Handmade Vodka, Publix and others. He was also one of the top salesmen for the Chopper Dropper Fundraiser and continues to serve on the committee approving employee emergency distributions with Bernie Halligan and Tom Dwyer.

Stacey Stack served for 6 years on the board for JL Cares. She held the position of Secretary taking minutes at all meetings and was Chair for her final year. Stacey was also the Jubilee Gala Chair for all six years, working on themes, food, entertainment, invitations and all communications. She also worked with Dennis Dunn on the Jubilee Golf Tournament and was actively involved in FSO packing days, house painting and nearly every activity that JL Cares organized.



We express our gratitude to our retiring members, Dennis Dunn and Stacey Stack. They performed their tasks with dedication and skill and we and the community have much to be thankful for.

VOLUNTEER FAIR



Our January Volunteer Fair was well attended and those that came visited a number of our agency booths providing volunteer opportunities. Members were able to learn about our supported agencies and sign up to volunteer or get more information. This



coming January 13, 2020 at 4:00 pm will be our CHARI-"TEA" Volunteer Fair with a new format and time. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Jonathan's Landing Cares Annual Jubilee SAVE THE DATE!

Our next Annual JUBILEE is being planned, so mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

"Up, Up & Away!" will be held
January 25-27, 2020.

Details to come!



*Your
JL
Cares
Board*

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