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## **Junior League of DeKalb Calls for Women Leaders**

DECATUR, Ga – The Junior League of DeKalb County (JLD) will host its Fall New Member Open House and Informational Meeting on Sunday, August 16, 2009 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the historic Mary Gay House located at 716 Trinity Place in downtown Decatur.

Prospective members will have an opportunity to meet with active members and to hear an overview of the history and structure of the Junior League. JLD members will also provide information on the League's current community outreach efforts in DeKalb County. Refreshments will be served. "Serving DeKalb County as members of Junior League provides women with unique opportunities to give back to our community," said Steffani Lautenschlager, VP of Membership. "The opportunity to make lasting friendships while developing strong leadership skills we can use in the workplace sets Junior League apart from other service organizations."

Established in 1934, the Junior League of DeKalb County, Inc. celebrates seventy-five years of service in the community, including assistance to women and children. Among JLD's numerous initiatives are *A Space of My Own*, which has provided bedding and other items to over 400 DeKalb County foster children since its inception, and the *Mini-Grants for Excellence in Teaching* program, which provides funds to DeKalb County school teachers to supplement classroom projects. To date, JLD has donated close to \$180,000 to fund creative and innovative teaching projects in DeKalb County classrooms.

The Junior League of DeKalb County boasts a membership of more than 400 active and sustainer members.

Please contact Beverly Burks to RSVP for the Fall Open House at 770-331-3285 or by email [Beverly.burks@att.net](mailto:Beverly.burks@att.net). For more information on the Junior League of DeKalb County, please visit our web site at [www.jldekalb.org](http://www.jldekalb.org).

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