

***Nonprofit Chamber of Services
Nonprofit of the Week***

This series has been established with the intent of increasing awareness of the many causes and efforts taken on by our nonprofit brethren. If your nonprofit has a particular event taking place during the course of a week, an anniversary for example, please make this known and we will do all possible to accommodate a spotlight that coincides. On behalf of our membership, we wish to say “thank you” for taking a few moments from your busy schedule to learn a bit more about our community of nonprofits.

As we, here at the Nonprofit Chamber of Service, finish up our preparations for this Friday’s big event, *Good Works!*, we would like to take a moment to express our sincere appreciation for our co-sponsors, the Junior League of Wichita. We consider it an honor to have had the opportunity to work with this outstanding group of women. As their mission states, they truly are, “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.”

For the last 80 years, the Junior League of Wichita has been among the first organizations in our community to step up to the plate and tackle our biggest problems. When the nonprofit community recognized a need for training nonprofit board members, the Junior League once again stepped up to the plate and hit a home run. We are pleased to report the number of individuals currently registered for *Good Works!* is more than triple what was originally anticipated! Thanks to the visionary leadership of Junior League members like Lisa McPherson, Audrey Hane, and Kimberly Joachims this very real need in our community has been addressed.

The more than 900 Junior League of Wichita members strive to make a difference in the Wichita community by providing trained volunteers and financial support to community projects and through members who serve on community, civic and charitable boards. Since its beginning in 1925, Junior League of Wichita has contributed over \$5.4 million in funding and over six million volunteer hours to the Wichita community.

JLW’s signature project for the last three years has been “Share A Story: A Junior League of Wichita & KPTS Reading Initiative.” “Share A Story” is a voluntary reading program aimed at breaking the cycle of inter-generational illiteracy. Started in the fall of 2003, the program has been implemented in 71 USD 259 pre-kindergarten classes and will touch the lives of more than 3,500 children and their parents by May 2006. The JLW is currently looking for Community Partners to sustain “Share A Story” for future years. If your business or organization is interested in adopting a school or classroom please call Nikki Broadfoot at 316.640.7011.

We would once again like to thank the dedicated women of Junior League of Wichita for their outstanding support of the Wichita nonprofit community. For more information Junior League of Wichita please visit their website at www.jlwichita.org.



Vicki Johnson & Audrey Hane, Junior League members and Perry Schuckman, NPCOS ED recently made a *Good Works!* presentation to the Women Engineer's Association.



Carol Tedder, Junior League member and Perry Schuckman, NPCOS ED presenting on *Good Works!* to the Cessna Management Association.