



Discover Jesse's House



May 2005

Providing Emergency Care and Shelter for Children in North Georgia

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Due to a family emergency, the President was unable to submit a letter. Our prayers are with him and his family.

The following was submitted by Joyce Tisovec, Secretary of the Board of Directors and one of the original founders of Jesse's House.

Springtime is here and it calls to mind the opening of the new Jesse's House shelter just a year ago. Over this last year the shelter has been able to house many more girls in need. We have had to make adjustments to accommodate and care for more girls but we have been successful. We are always looking for ways to improve the management and programs at the shelter and this will continue. As always, it is the dedication of the Board of Directors and the many volunteer supporters of the shelter as well as our staff at the shelter who make our mission possible over these almost seven years of operation.

Over the last year, the United Way of Forsyth County and The Guild of the County Club of the South have been our largest grant contributors as well as the Forsyth County Government. However, the community support of the shelter was very evident at the Gala and throughout the year by the many monetary and in-kind donations that come to the shelter each month. We want all of our supporters to know how much we appreciate all that you do for us to care for the girls who come to us in need. We could not do it without your partnership.

Another great partner is the Forsyth County Schools who work closely with the shelter to get the girls into the appropriate school placements even when needed information is limited. Our girls are being successful in school and Title I monies have supplied computers and tutoring for remediation and assistance.

Summer will be coming with the end of the school year and we plan to keep the girls active. If you can help with activities or outings for the girls, tickets to events, etc, please contact Karyana or Julie at the shelter. These seven years have just flown by but the impact the shelter has made on the lives of the hundreds of girls who have entered the doors of Jesse's House will last a lifetime thanks to all of you.



CUMMING FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2005 ONE GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

March 19th, turned out to be a beautiful day for our One Great Day of Service Project at Jesse's House. We had 29 volunteers working at the shelter — 17 from CFUMC, 10 girls from the shelter and two members from Friends of Jesse's House.

We tackled a variety of projects from cleaning light fixtures, blinds and windows to cleaning and scrubbing the bathroom to pressure washing the patio. As one volunteer commented, "My house is next!"

Many thanks to **Janet Walden**, Lay Volunteer Coordinator, at CFUMC for all her efforts to get us organized and team members assigned. Thanks also to BOD members **Jeanne Marie Cowdrey** and **Martha Lappe** for lending us their hands and expertise.

We couldn't have done it without **Ann Ammons** who knows all about the interior of the shelter and brought much needed supplies and cleaning equipment. This woman knows how to clean ceramic tile.

Our County Commissioner from District 5, **Linda Ledbetter**, was there to lend her support. We spotted her scrubbing those baseboards with zeal.

Thanks goes to our CFUMC co-coordinator, **Janet Barnett**, who is our early person. She made sure our CFUMC volunteers were signed in and knew what they needed to do. And that food pantry has never been so organized.

And to all our volunteers, you don't know how much it means to the girls and staff to have so many willing hands pitch in. Not only was the shelter sparkling when we left but so were the girls' impressions of all of you.

Our volunteers also included **Nicole Bini, Paula Chambers, Brittany Chambers, Harold Dakin, Dawn Dakin, Ruth Hutchinson, Larry Llewellyn, Diane Mabry, Anne McCrary, Morgan McLeod, Courtney McLeod, David Mulenburg** and **Irene Olive**.

Submitted By Barbara B. Barnett, Jesse's House Board of Directors and CFUMC co-coordinator

CONTRIBUTORS/IN KIND DONATIONS

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IN HONOR OF

Michele Morgan
By *Tom & Nita Miley*

IN HONOR OF MOTHER'S DAY

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By *Billy & Darlene Gulsby*

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By *Melissa & Sky Williams*

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By *Chris and Martha Lappe*

OUR SINCERE APOLOGIES

*To all deserving persons out there who were inadvertently not listed.
We continue in our goal to improve our efficiency.*

2005 Gala Contributors & Volunteers

The 2005 Jesse's House Gala was a great success. Many thanks for all the wonderful contributions and donations that made this an affair to remember. We were able to purchase a much needed mini van with the proceeds from the live and silent auctions.

Our hard working Gala Committee members were **Van Leblanc, Linda Petrilli, Trena Lazzara, Wendi Dudley, Jason Dudley, Kim Fareri, Joyce Tisovec, Charlene Harrell and Mary Lynn Henderson.**

The Board of Directors would like to thank all the contributors who made the Gala possible.

AIG VALIC - Beau Henderson	Merrill Lynch - Cumming
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Humpus Bumpus	Victor & June Dankewich
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Kanon Parkman - Gallo Wines	<i>Special thanks to Kanon Parkman of Gallo Wines for their generous donation of the evening's table wine.</i>
Kristie Dimarakis - Stonegate Farm	
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Lisa & Andrew Mapp	
Longhorn Steakhouse	
Mary Lynn Henderson	

IN MEMORY OF

Barbara Echols
By *Charlene Harrell*

Bernice Wolfe
By *Charlene Harrell*

2004 DEMOGRAPHICS

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u># Youths served</u>
Hall	15
Forsyth	11
Floyd	5
Newton	5
Cherokee	4
Barrow, Dekalb, Stephens, Upson	2 (10)
Bartow, Chatooga, Gilmer,	
Habersham, Henry, Fulton, Pickens,	
Rabun, Walker, Whitfield	1 (10)

AGE

11	4
12	3
13	7
14	7
15	12
16	18
17	9

RACE

Caucasian	35
African-American	18
Hispanic	6
Native American	1

AGENCIES SERVED

DFCS	42
DJJ	18

TOTAL GIRLS **60**

Tennis Tournament for Jesse's House

The Heritage Foundation is the charitable organization of Heritage Golf Group, owner of Polo Fields Country Club among other local golf courses. The **Heritage Foundation** and **Dan Carozza**, Tennis Pro, held their first Pro-Am Tennis Tournament in March. The tournament was a three day affair starting with a Friday night kick-off party. Fortunately, the weather cooperated and the tournament was very successful. We are very grateful to the **Heritage Foundation** for donating the proceeds to Jesse's House.

Sports Outings

Fortunately, Jesse's House girls get the opportunity to be sport's fans! On a recent weekend, they had the opportunity to see Gwinnett Gladiator's versus the Charlotte Checkers. And then they went to see the Hawks versus the LA Clippers. They had a great time at both and the events were a first hockey and basketball game for many

California Pizza Kitchen Outing

On Tuesday April 5, 2005, the girls were invited to the California Pizza Kitchen at Lenox Mall. One of our mentors, Cheryl Fleming, talked to the manager and arranged for the girls to come out and take a tour of the kitchen. The manager talked with the girls about when/how they were founded and how they go about making their different specialty pizzas. After the tour the girls were then given an opportunity to make their own specialty pizzas. The girls enjoyed themselves immensely, and we thank the management and staff of the **California Kitchen Pizza** for taking the time to share this experience with the girls of Jesse's House.

IN HONOR OF YOUR FATHER

Here is a really neat way to honor the father who has everything.

Remember that special husband, father, uncle, grandfather, Godfather etc., in your life, with our special Father's Day Card.

When we receive the form below, we will send your "Father" a lovely card, honoring him and relating to him that you have made a donation to Jesse's House in his name. You will receive an acknowledgement that your donation was received, the amount, and notice that a card has been sent as you directed. All cards will be mailed the week of Father's Day.

Father's Day Gift

In Honor of _____ **In Memory of** _____

Jesse's House
PO Box 66
Cumming, GA 30028

\$_____ Endowment Fund \$_____ Operating Expenses

Please send a Father's Day Card to:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Please send acknowledgement notice to:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

This gift is made by:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____



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Contributions for Jesse's House

Jesse's House
PO Box 66
Cumming, GA 30028 \$____ Transportation Fund

\$____ Endowment Fund \$____ Operating Expenses

Is in memory of / honor of (circle one):

Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please send honorary/in memory card to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

This gift is made by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Relationship if applicable:

Our Girls' Summer Needs

Bathing Suits (sizes junior small-large)

Beach towels

Outdoor equipment (Frisbees, badminton set, volleyball set, basket-
ball)

Recreational activity tickets

Paper products (paper towels, toilet paper)

Cleaning supplies (all-purpose cleaner, Pledge, bathroom cleaner,
Pine Sol, Windex)

Child Abuse Awareness

April is Child Abuse Awareness Month. 1 out of every 5 boys and 1 out of every 3 girls will be victims of abuse before their 18th birthday* For more information on statistics and preventing child abuse please visit www.preventchildabusega.org.

* Child Advocacy Centers Abuse Awareness Campaign