

Denton Benefit **LEAGUE**



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In 1973, Denton Benefit League was founded by a group of women dedicated to improving the quality of life in Denton, Texas, and surrounding Denton County community north of Lake Lewisville.

We have since grown to almost 270 members, all of whom are active volunteers in local organizations.

Today, beginning our 47th year, Denton Benefit League's membership reflects the diversity of our community, as local people supporting local agencies.



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1972

Plans Laid For Benefit Ball

The planning committee for the annual Benefit Ball at the Country Club, scheduled this year for late February, is already making arrangements for the event.

Shown here are Mrs. L. A. Nelson, co-chairman; Mrs. J. B. Floyd, founder and advisor; Mrs. W. C. Orr III, chairman; and

Dr. Ted Colson, president of the Board of Denton Community Theater. Also on the planning committee is Frank Barrow, president of the Denton Fine Arts Council.

The ball will benefit the Community Theatre, Community Chorus and Fine Arts Festival.

*Actual Newspaper clipping from Denton Record-Chronicle



Our Mission

The mission of this organization shall be to raise funds for local philanthropic purposes and to promote volunteerism in the community. This organization shall be nonpolitical, nonsectarian, and nonprofit in all of its policies and activities. Visit www.DentonBenefitLeague.org for more details.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome! As Denton Benefit League celebrates its 47th year of service to Denton and surrounding area, we welcome you to the 2020 Tabloid! Without the individuals, community businesses, and DBL members, this iconic Tabloid would not be possible. Countless hours have been given by many DBL

members in hopes that you will enjoy each page of the full color publication that has become a tradition in Denton County. "To raise funds for philanthropic purposes and to promote volunteerism

within our community," is the mission of Denton Benefit League. Forty-seven years ago, Maurine Floyd, Kathy Orr, and Martha Len Nelson realized the need to raise monies for nonprofit agencies. They held the first general meeting in May of 1973 with over 100 members, and we are still growing with 264 members strong.

The members continue to coordinate efforts with a progressive and energetic community to provide grants for local

nonprofit organizations including the arts, education, social services, and historic preservation. This year 35 nonprofit agencies were awarded \$207,105 in grant funds. DBL has awarded over \$5.89 million in grants over the last 47 years! The 2020 grant recipients are featured on pages 66-69 in this publication.



The grants are a direct result of the monies raised through the generous support of local businesses, community residents and DBL members who support and participate in our fundraising efforts. Underwriting, Tabloid, and the annual Charity Ball are our largest fundraisers. All of the profits from these fundraising activities go to our grants. Over 20,000 volunteer hours are contributed by our DBL members each year.

As a little girl, I recall when DBL was founded, as the founders and charter members were friends of my grandparents, Price and Elaine Truitt and my parents, Buster and Linda Creagh. In my naivete I did not realize the value of DBL until I was older and finally in 2005 invested the time to

join. It has been such an honor for me to be a part of such a legacy in the Denton area. My husband Dean and I hope you capture a glimpse of the positive impact that DBL has on this community and surrounding area. It has been so encouraging to observe all the efforts of so many individuals and groups of caring people who want to make a difference in others' lives. Thank you for such a great year!

Shelley Anthony
Denton Benefit League President



"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

-Mahatma Gandhi

Board Members Featured on Cover:

(Front) Carolyn Ferguson, Shelley Anthony, Laura Brewer, Phyllis Kessel; (back) Caryn Riggs, Alicia Barker, Kimberly Karl, Deborah Cottle, Dorothy Woods, April Massett, Lisa de Oliveira, Rebecca Jackson, Savannah Ferguson, Maritza Cates, Carol Rogers (not pictured: Sheryl Goodson).



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WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD A BETTER COMMUNITY

Volunteering in the Community

For over 47 years, DBL members have donated their time, energy, and expertise to nonprofit organizations throughout the Denton area.

Last year, DBL members reported over 20,000 volunteer hours. In total, more than 1 million service hours have been contributed by members since DBL was founded.

Each active and associate member is required to contribute a minimum of 25 volunteer hours annually for community programs and services that are nonprofit, nonpolitical, and nonsectarian.

In addition to their individual volunteer efforts, members support group projects where DBL partners with local nonprofit organizations on specific volunteer opportunities.

Group projects for 2019-2020 include:

- Adopt-A-Spot
- Denton Arts & Jazz Festival
- Denton Christian Preschool Mexican Supper
- Salvation Army Angel Tree
- Ann's Haven Hospice Bereavement Luncheon
- Monsignor King Outreach Center Dinner



Raising Funds for Community Service

Since its founding in 1973, DBL has raised and distributed over \$5.89 million to support community needs.

All profits from DBL's fundraising activities are returned to the community through grants to local nonprofit organizations that are devoted to social services, arts and culture, education, or historic preservation. The major fundraising activities include the annual Charity Ball, Charity Ball Underwriting, and the Tabloid. The Tabloid is distributed at the Charity Ball and with the Denton Record-Chronicle the morning after the ball. Member dues cover all administrative expenses incurred by DBL.

DBL has no paid staff. All work is done strictly by dedicated volunteers.

In January 2020, DBL distributed \$207,105.19 in grants to 35 local organizations.

To Support Our Activities

- Become a member of DBL
- Be a Charity Ball Underwriter
- Attend the Charity Ball
- Sponsor a photo in the Tabloid
- Attend our fall fundraising event
- Bid on auction items at DBL events
- Purchase raffle tickets for DBL events
- Attend the Spring Tea



Becoming a DBL Member

Membership in DBL is open to women who live in the general vicinity of Denton, Texas, and agree to support and participate in the work of DBL. Currently there are 264 members.

DBL does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, religion, or national origin, and reaches out to women of all ages who are committed to volunteerism.

The women of DBL serve Denton by raising funds and donating time for activities that improve the quality of life in the community.

Working together, members build leadership skills, discover new volunteer opportunities, and through their combined talents, strengthen all of DBL's endeavors.

**FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BECOMING A MEMBER, VISIT THE DBL WEBSITE AT
WWW.DENTONBENEFITLEAGUE.ORG**



THE CROUCH GROUP

Congratulations to Ellen Painter, the 2020 United Way Dr. Bettye Myers Humanitarian Award recipient, shown with Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell.



LISA & GLENISSON de OLIVEIRA

The de Oliveira family commends DBL for impacting our community with compassion and care. You have indeed made a difference in many lives. Jude 1:22 "And on some have compassion, making a difference."



GREEN VALLEY SCHOOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(Front) Dan Washburn, Lena Pennington, Jerry Anderson, Robin Meyer;
(back) Mike Ward, Leo Perez, Ron Swain, Hal Reed, Alan Lessard.



VICKI & BRAD OLSON

The Olson family congratulates Denton Benefit League on another successful year. Granddaughters are Rachel, Lucy, and Sarah.



FRENCHY RHEAULT

Happy 40th anniversary to Frenchy and Teri! Sorry about no poodles, but they are all doing great.



STOCKER WOODS FINANCIAL

The Stocker Woods team in front of their new building in Unicorn Lake. Thank you to the hardworking members of DBL for everything that you do in this community.



C BAR T PROPERTIES

C Bar T Properties salutes DBL! Our ballerina, Brooke Murdock, great granddaughter of Oleta McNary, co-owner, granddaughter of Marty Crider, co-owner, and daughter of Tiffany Murdock, broker.



SERVE DENTON

Serve Denton greatly appreciates the impact DBL makes in our community. They wish DBL continued success this new year.



THE McCLENDON FAMILY

A beautiful family wedding portrait features Karsyn, Brendon and Alyssa McClendon Kelso, newlyweds Tara and Barrett McClendon, and Donna and Laurence McClendon.



PATRICE & JACK FRISBY

The Frisbys' son, Joseph, enjoys a sunny January day and congratulates DBL on another successful year.



JACKIE & GREG JACKSON

Lexie, Emilie, Eli, and Owen join their grandparents in applauding Denton Benefit League's continued generous support of our community.



APPLEJACKS LIQUORS

Applejacks recognizes DBL grant recipient Denton County Friends of the Family, and all that it accomplishes for those in need.



LYNN & CHARLIE DAVIS

Greyson (4), Harris (7), and Carter (4) Davis-Hansel wish DBL a happy year of sharing with the Denton community. Grandparents are Lynn and Charlie Davis.



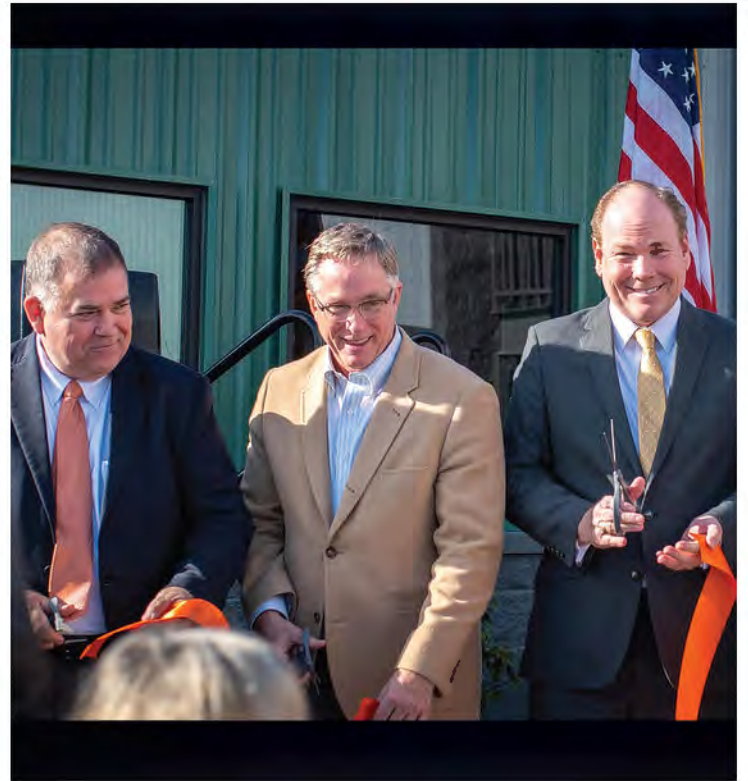
VERUS COMMERCIAL

As Denton County's leading commercial brokerage firm, VERUS gives back. "To whom much is given, from him much is expected." Luke 12:48. Like the Denton Benefit League, we believe in serving our community.



STEPPING STONES

The cardinal is a fabric collage by Stepping Stones, an activity peer support program for persons with dementia and their care partners.



MARIE & JOHN O'DONNELL

Marie Snider and John O'Donnell support the great works of Serve Denton and their supporting organizations.



JAMES WOOD AUTO PARK

Family owned and operated and we treat our customers like family. We have been in business over forty years in North Texas.



REBECCA JACKSON

Audrey and Emily Lamb, nieces of DBL Board member Rebecca Jackson, are grateful for the difference DBL is making in their community.



MARITZA & CARY CATES

The Cates family is proud to support DBL and the Denton community.



KIMBERLY KARL & STAN HADDOCK

Kimberly Karl and Stan Haddock are proud to support Denton Benefit League again this year!



SHELLEY & DEAN ANTHONY

Enjoying a walk in the neighborhood are Shelley and Dean's grandchildren Covin, Kenadee, Henderson, Quincy Cross, Mila, Makayla and Kobi Newton.



DENTON COUNTRY CLUB

"The best kept secret in Denton county," say Jordan Ferguson, 1st Assistant Golf Professional, and Travis East, Director of Golf.



LYNNE BARGA, PhD

Counseling and personal coaching through life's transitions. In grateful support and appreciation of DBL.



SISTERS IN THE BUSINESS OF LIFE COMMUNITY

Sisters in the Business of Life (SIBS) support, encourage, and uplift the women of Denton through the joys of their next chapter.



ADAMS EXTERMINATING COMPANY, INC

Spunky and Cheryl Adams, along with grandchildren August, Audrey, Jackson, Boyd, Harrison, Parker, Brady, and Cooper, are proud to support DBL.



CHARLIE BECK'S GARAGE

Long-time customers of Charlie Beck's Garage, Russ and Kay Russell of Argyle, know how to pick a winner in both auto repair and race horses. Pictured with "Solomon R" are Amy and Payton Beck and Brittanie Schneider, grandchildren of Nancy Beck and her late husband, Charlie.



KOONSFULLER FAMILY LAW

Law firm members Regan Donnenfield, Sean Abeyta, Charla Bradshaw, and James Logue congratulate Denton Benefit League on a great year.



REECE MARKETING

Reece Marketing is happy to recognize DBL grant recipient Tejas Storytelling Festival and one of its storytellers, Shayne Larengo.



DR. & MRS. HAROLD REED

Agatha Hartle, a high school senior, is the daughter of Tricia and Chris Hartle and granddaughter of the Reeds.



RAMEY KING INSURANCE

Jeff and Cathie King and family congratulate their daughter, Caroline, on earning her Master of Education degree from UNT. Proud grandparents are Nancy and Terrell King.



THE NUSBAUM GROUP

Walter and Stacey are honored to support the wonderful work of DBL in our community.



IMPress GRAPHICS

IMPress Graphics is always impressed by the work of DBL and the Monsignor King Outreach Center. Outreach Center clients are shown enjoying a picnic table donated by DBL.



CATHY BRYCE & JACK ATKINS

Cathy Bryce and Jack Atkins and their grandchildren congratulate Denton Benefit League on another fantastic year of service to the greater Denton community.



THE LACEY FOUNDATION

The Lacey Foundation appreciates the wonderful service that SPAN provides to the Denton community. Volunteers faithfully deliver food to homebound people and their pets.



FIRST UNITED BANK AND TRUST

Bank officers are standing in what will be their newly renovated Spend Life Wisely lobby. They thank DBL for helping others to Spend Life Wisely! The officers are Zach Steward, Kimberly Crain, Marla Salerno, Todd Price, Alicia Baum, Jay Ross, Sheryl Elrod, Andrew Lee, Kimberly Jones, and Brock McKnight.



DELANEY & MIKE GREGORY

Delaney and Mike, the proud grandparents of RHS Senior Liam Daly, support the work of Denton Benefit League.



THE FOSTER FAMILY

Winnie Foster, daughter of Leddy and Brittany Foster, celebrated her first birthday by donating to the Denton Community Food Center.

**Boldly
Go**

SERVING DENTON

Texas Woman's University applauds the Denton Benefit League for its contributions to Denton. TWU students, faculty and staff also engage in local community service through volunteer activities, health clinics and collaboration with local organizations.



TEXAS WOMAN'S
UNIVERSITY

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ALLISON ENGINEERING

On behalf of all Allison Engineering employees, Lee Allison and Jason Faigle appreciate the support that DBL provides in the Denton community.



JANET & JOHN SHELTON

Janet and John Shelton present their daughter and son-in-law, Emily and Drake Hampton, and applaud the work of DBL.



SMITTY'S FLOOR COVERING, INC.

Carlee Rogers, granddaughter of Alvin and Darlene Rogers and daughter of Casey and Ashlee Rogers, congratulates DBL on another outstanding year!



RUTH'S ROOM

In loving memory of longtime Ruth's Room board members and volunteers, Susan Black and co-founder Nelia Thorp.



RED DOOR OPERATIONS

Melinda and James King are excited to introduce their newest grandson, Robin King Richardson.



RED DOOR OPERATIONS

Mitchell Warnock is the son of Melinda and James King and Georgeanne and Matt Warnock. He will be attending Texas A&M in the fall.



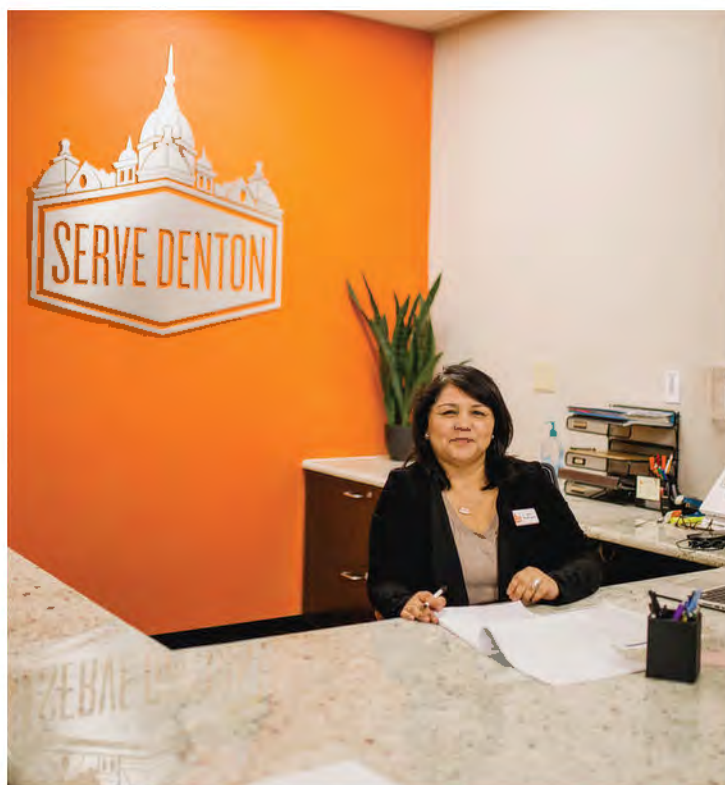
JT CLOTHIERS

JT Clothiers celebrates their 50th year in business and 47 years of supporting DBL and its contributions to the community. Pictured are Jimmy, Nancy, and James Tritt.



EMBASSY SUITES DENTON CONVENTION CENTER

Our sales team values our relationship with DBL and we look forward to a fruitful partnership.



BAKER TANKHEAD, INC.

Baker Tankhead applauds Serve Denton in its partnership with nonprofits to facilitate those in need in the Denton community.



DR. NORMAN POMERANCE

Norm and Dana Pomerance congratulate DBL on another successful year helping our community.



DENTON COMMUNITY THEATRE

The DCT Youth Production of a Seussified Christmas Carol was a big holiday hit!



DENTON LAWN SPRINKLER

Denton Lawn Sprinkler is happy to support DBL grant recipient Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home and their mission to provide hope and healing to vulnerable children and families.



THE M GROUP

Bill Merritt, along with the other members of the M group, would like to thank all DBL members for their commitment to our community and for another great year of helping people! A special thanks goes out to Bill's sister, Melinda Merritt King, who is a third generation DBL member and past president.



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, CHAPTER 920

Vietnam Veterans of 2020 are still proud to continue to serve Denton County. (Front) Dan Washburn, "Robbie" Garrold Roberts, Jerry Anderson; (back) Eric Harman, Sharon Balsley.



HIGGINBOTHAM & ASSOCIATES - ED & JONI COKER

Drew, Devin, Emery, and Brooks are the children of Joni and Ed Coker.



HIGGINBOTHAM & ASSOCIATES - ED & JONI COKER

Joni and Ed celebrate their graduating DHS seniors, Drew and Emery, and salute DBL.



EYE CARE ASSOCIATES - DR. NADEEM HAQ

Dr. Haq clearly sees a successful 2020 for DBL.



ANN & PETE BRADBURY

The Bradburys appreciate Cyndi and children, the family of the Reverend Paul Nesta, rector of St. David of Wales Episcopal Church.



SOUTHERN STRETCH FORMING - PAM & DAVID ARTHUR

Pam and David Arthur applaud DBL for its support of worthy organizations, such as Hearts for Homes, which works to provide hope and dignity through home repairs for low income seniors in Denton County.



DIANA & PAUL DUNKLAU

The Servis-Dunklau Gang supports DBL and its work in the community.



WELLS FARGO BANK, NA

The Bank applauds students enrolled in the University of North Texas PUSH program. PUSH provides academic, financial, social, and job support, as well as career development, for students who have aged out of the state foster care system.



FISHER59 - DENTON

The Fisher Family is proud to support DBL and the entire Denton community.



SWEETWATERS COFFEE & TEA

Your neighborhood cafe, and Aidan Quinn, Jeremy and LoriAnne Schmucker, and Hannah Mayes, feel welcomed by DBL!



DR. MARY ANNE KNOLLE, LMFT, LPC

This DBL member helps people learn their personality strengths and achieve their goals like DBL provides support to build a stronger community.



Strong Together

President Neal and Debbie Smatresk along with UNT's conference championship soccer team salute the strong women of the Denton Benefit League. Thank you for being a positive community force and valued partner. Together, we build the leaders of tomorrow.



UNT - OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT - DR. NEAL & DEBBIE SMATRESK



DEBRA & RON DRAYOVITCH

Leni, granddaughter of Debra and Ron Drayovitch and great granddaughter of Gil and the late Lil Adami, is all smiles for DBL!



FIVE-STAR AudioVisual

Five-Star appreciates Chef Liz and all those at Our Daily Bread who feed and care for those in need.



FIRST STATE BANK

First State Bank proudly supports numerous events and organizations in the Denton community throughout the year. The Denton Benefit League is among those that pair well with our mission statement: treating our community as our home, customers as our neighbors, and employees as our family.



AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK & TRUST

American National Bank & Trust is excited to be in Denton. They are looking forward to their new branch opening in the fall of 2020.



SUZANNE FICKEY

Jules, Jaden, and Zac Lawson are Suzanne's adorable grandchildren. Suzanne supports the Denton Benefit League volunteers.



LAKESHORE ANIMAL CLINIC

Courtney Shepherd, the granddaughter of Mary Kay and Dick Shepherd, is currently a freshman at Texas A&M.



MEDICAL CITY DENTON

Medical City recognizes the Denton Community Food Center for its outstanding work to help the needy in our community.



KIM & CHARLIE COLLINS

Kim and Charlie applaud all that DBL does for our city. Miles and Ashley Collins are their children.



PETERBILT MOTORS

Peterbilt applauds Serve Denton as they dig in to provide important services in a single location to better meet the needs of individuals and families in the Denton community.



STEVE'S WINE BAR

Steve's Wine Bar proudly joins the many generous members of the Denton community who support the vital work of DBL. Through volunteering and fundraising, DBL helps those in need. Karen and Steve salute all who seek to serve.



KYLE NAYFA/EDWARD JONES

Relaxing with Einstein in Vail, CO.



WITHERS-HOWELL REAL ESTATE GROUP

Jayne and her husband Lee (shown with Governor Abbott) are strong supporters of DBL and of our great state of Texas!



LINDA & JIM McNATT

Find your perfect match at the Linda McNatt Animal Care and Adoption Center! This handsome fellow is Rodger.



GOHLKE POOLS

Connor, Matt, Whitney, and Grant Gohlke congratulate Denton Benefit League on another successful year.



GUARANTY BANK & TRUST

Guaranty Bank & Trust proudly supports the work of Denton Benefit League.



DARLENE & MICHAEL WHITTEN

The Whittens applaud CASA of Denton County and its mission of advocating for the best interests of abused and neglected children.



SCOTT BROWN GROUP

Shari and Scott Brown enjoy spending time with their family and appreciate all that DBL does for the community.



STEVEN R. ALSPACH, DDS, MS

Dr. Steven and Susan Alspach salute DBL grant recipient Hearts for Homes in their work to build a better community.



DEMENTIA FRIENDLY DENTON COUNTY

We will be as successful as DBL in helping Denton become a better place to live for those suffering with dementia and Alzheimer's.



NEWMAN FOUNDATION

The Foundation acknowledges 2019-2020 DBL grant recipient Ranch Hands Rescue, and its mission of providing sanctuary for rescued farm animals and counseling for those among us who seek comfort.



BETH & BILL PATTERSON, DENTON MEDIA COMPANY

Georgia Cate and Mollie Beth Springer, granddaughters of Beth and Bill Patterson, are so happy for all that DBL has accomplished this year.



ORTHODONTIC ASSOCIATES OF NORTH TEXAS

Dr. Coby Buchanan, his wife Alisa, and sons Will and John, are proud to support DBL.



MINOR & JESTER, PC

Minor and Jester continues to support Denton Benefit League in their good work in the Denton community. Representing the firm are attorney Christopher Henry, his wife, Meghan, and their daughter, Olivia.



DARIEN & BILL ORR, PEYTON & JASON SWICK, ELISHA & LUKE BOMAR

The Orrs are proud to have called Denton home for more than five generations! Celebrating Willam Orr IV's marriage to Shelbi Jo are Bill and Darien, and the families of Peyton and Jason Swick, Elisha and Luke Bomar, and Hartlee and Jordan Kirk.



JOHN BOOTH & PATTI RICHARD

In memory of Caroline Booth who lives in the hearts of family and friends.



CLASSIC CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE MAZDA

Sammy and Henry Johnson are grandsons of Karen and Rick Wick, general manager of Classic Chrysler Jeep Dodge Mazda.



DATCU

DATCU's Denton branch managers are Heather Karl, Amy Jensen, Bekah Reed, and Addie Sylvera.



WILLIAMS & WILLIAMS, REALTORS, LLC

Grandsons, Knox and W.E. "Cort" Williams IV, are at the top of the listings of Virginia and W.E. "Ed" Williams.



COLEMAN LAW FIRM, PC

Ben and Helena Coleman, the children of Denton County Commissioner Hugh Coleman and TWU Regent Bernadette Coleman, salute the Denton Benefit League.



KATRINIA MCBRIDE, DDS

Dr. McBride at Krum Dental Associates is proud to support the mission of DBL.



ARTISTIC GOURMET ADVENTURES - WALTER & KIM EAGLETON

Artistic Gourmet Adventures congratulates DBL.



VELOCITY PHYSICAL THERAPY

Maylin and Saige Soell are the daughters of Doug and Maegan Soell.



INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL

Independent Financial is proud to support Denton Benefit League.



UNLIMITED CARE OF NORTH TEXAS

Randy and owner Linda DeGraffenreid, daughter in-law, Sarah Wilkerson, son, Rev. Bradley Wilkerson, grandson, Ryder Wilkerson, daughter Natalie, and son in-law Cory Teague, and granddaughter, Haley Wilkerson, are celebrating Natalie's and Cory's fourth anniversary. They wish DBL much success in 2020 and beyond.



SWEETWATER GRILL & TAVERN

Sweetwater thanks Denton for coming together to take care of our community for the holidays.



THE HONORABLE ANDY EADS

The Eads family – Andy, Ginger, Everett, Addison, and Caroline.



DENTON NOON KIWANIS CLUB

Serving the Denton community - that is what Kiwanis and Denton Benefit League do best.



ELLEN & GREG SAWKO

Ellen & Greg Sawko (Sawko & Burroughs, LLC) congratulate DBL and their two 2020 grads: Emma (DHS) and Jack (UT).



EHRHART'S JEWELERS

Celebrating 45 years in business. Ashley Staples and Annette Ehrhart welcome our newest team member, Haven Rhea, daughter of Taryn and CJ Hairston.



TEXAS HEALTH PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL - DENTON

Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton is continuing to invest in the community with a \$128 million Women's Tower. Leadership reviews the plans for the 160,000 square foot tower that will expand Women and Infants, Women's Imaging, support and educational services.



BRINDA & JERRY HACKLER

Brinda, Jerry, Haley, and Alex Hackler are all smiles for DBL.



APRIL MASSETT

April applauds Life Works Community and its mission to help clients with special needs achieve a life of independence.



JAGOE-PUBLIC COMPANY

Bill and Jennifer Cheek, along with their family, encourage DBL to rock on!



ANITA & WILLIAM GUMBERT

Anita and William are delighted to recognize DBL grant recipient Explorium - Denton Children's Museum, and all that it has to offer.



CLUB PILATES DENTON

This smiling trio is preparing for a favorite workout.



DR. RICK & LOYCE WILSON

Dr. Rick and Loyce Wilson, along with their sons Mitchell, William, and Jason, celebrate the marriage of daughter and sister, Kate Wilson, to Matt Schwarz.

There's No Place Like Home

UNDERWRITERS 2020

Crystal

Newman Foundation
Tetra Pak Inc.



Platinum

Independent Financial

Diamond

Community Pharmacy
DATCU

J. T. Clothiers - Nancy and
James Tritt
The Lacey Foundation

UNT - Office of the President
- Dr. Neal and Debbie Smatresk
VERUS Commercial

Gold

American National Bank & Trust
Bill DeBerry Funeral Directors
Cathy Bryce and Jack Atkins
Christopher Bancroft Operations
The Crouch Group
Sharon Harris Draper
Diana and Paul Dunklau
First State Bank

First United Bank & Trust
Guaranty Bank & Trust
IMPress Graphics
Rebecca Jackson
Jagoe-Public Company
James Wood AutoPark, Inc.
North Texas Athletics
Marie and John O'Donnell

Peterbilt Motors
Penney and Tim Pollard -
Pollard Aircraft
Carmen and Virgil Strange
Stocker Woods Financial
Texas Health Presbyterian
Hospital - Denton
Wells Fargo Bank, NA

Silver

Shelley and Dean Anthony
Applejacks Liquors
Baker Tankhead, Inc.
Classic Chrysler Jeep Dodge Mazda
Denton Record-Chronicle
Embassy Suites Denton
Convention Center

Fisher59 - Denton
Five-Star AudioVisual
Anita and William Gumbert
Terri and Ron Guthrie
Linda and Jim McNatt
Medical City Denton

PointBank
Reese Marketing
Chef Morris Salerno, BISTECCA
- An Italian Steakhouse
Texas Woman's University
Terry and Bob Widmer

Bronze

AccessBank Texas	Gail and Finley Graves	Red Door Operations
Axis Realty Group	Kristen Howell - Children's Advocacy Center of Denton County	Drs. Patti Richard and John Booth
Ben E. Keith Beverages	Inwood National Bank	Edene and Charles Riggs
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Congressman Michael C. Burgess, M.D.	The M Group	Sawko & Burroughs, P.C.
The Honorable Myra Crownover	Vicki and Brad Olson	Dr. Jean B. Schaake
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Martha and Carroll Goen	Fred Patterson - In Memory of Patsy Patterson	Southern Stretch Forming - Pam and David Arthur
Sheryl Goodson		Title Resources

Special Friends

Julie and David Anderson	Debra and Ron Drayovitch	Helene and Kent Ramey
LaVonne and Greg Ankeney	Marta and Frank Dudowicz - Kwik Kar Denton	Ramey King Insurance
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Georgina Edgington	Pete Kamp and David Gosdin	Vickie Watson, C.P.A.
Shannon and R.G. Bryan of Roy G. Bryan, C.P.A.	Kimberly Karl and Stanley Haddock	Chris Watts
Linda and Larry Burton	Olivia and J. Bryan Lilley	Virginia and W.E. "Ed" Williams, Jr. - Williams & Williams, REALTORS, Inc.
Carrico and Associates Realtors	Mary Ann McDuff	Melanie and Jamie Wilson
The Chestnut Tree	Minor & Jester, P.C.	Wing Stop - Denton
Kim and Charlie Collins	Murray Media - Kelly and Scott Murray	Withers - Howell Real Estate Group
Deborah Cottle	Kyle Nayfa - Edward Jones	Terri and Bill Wood
Delva and Marc Culp	The Nusbaum Group	
Dr. Glenisson and Lisa de Oliveira	Gaylan and Conrad Park	

In Remembrance



MARTHA LEN NELSON

With admiration and appreciation, the members of the Denton Benefit League remember the late Martha Len Nelson, a founding member. DBL would not be possible without her.

In Remembrance



IRIS RAMEY

Iris Ramey, the first president of Denton Benefit League, was an integral part of the legacy that has been built since 1973.

In Remembrance



CAROLINE BOOTH



LIL ADAMI



DIANE GALLIVAN

**"THE PURPOSE
OF HUMAN
LIFE IS TO
SERVE, AND
TO SHOW
COMPASSION
AND THE
WILL TO HELP
OTHERS."**

-Albert Schweitzer



ALAGOOD CARTWRIGHT BURKE PC

Scott Alagood, Sam Burke, and Brian Cartwright congratulate the Denton Benefit League on another successful year.



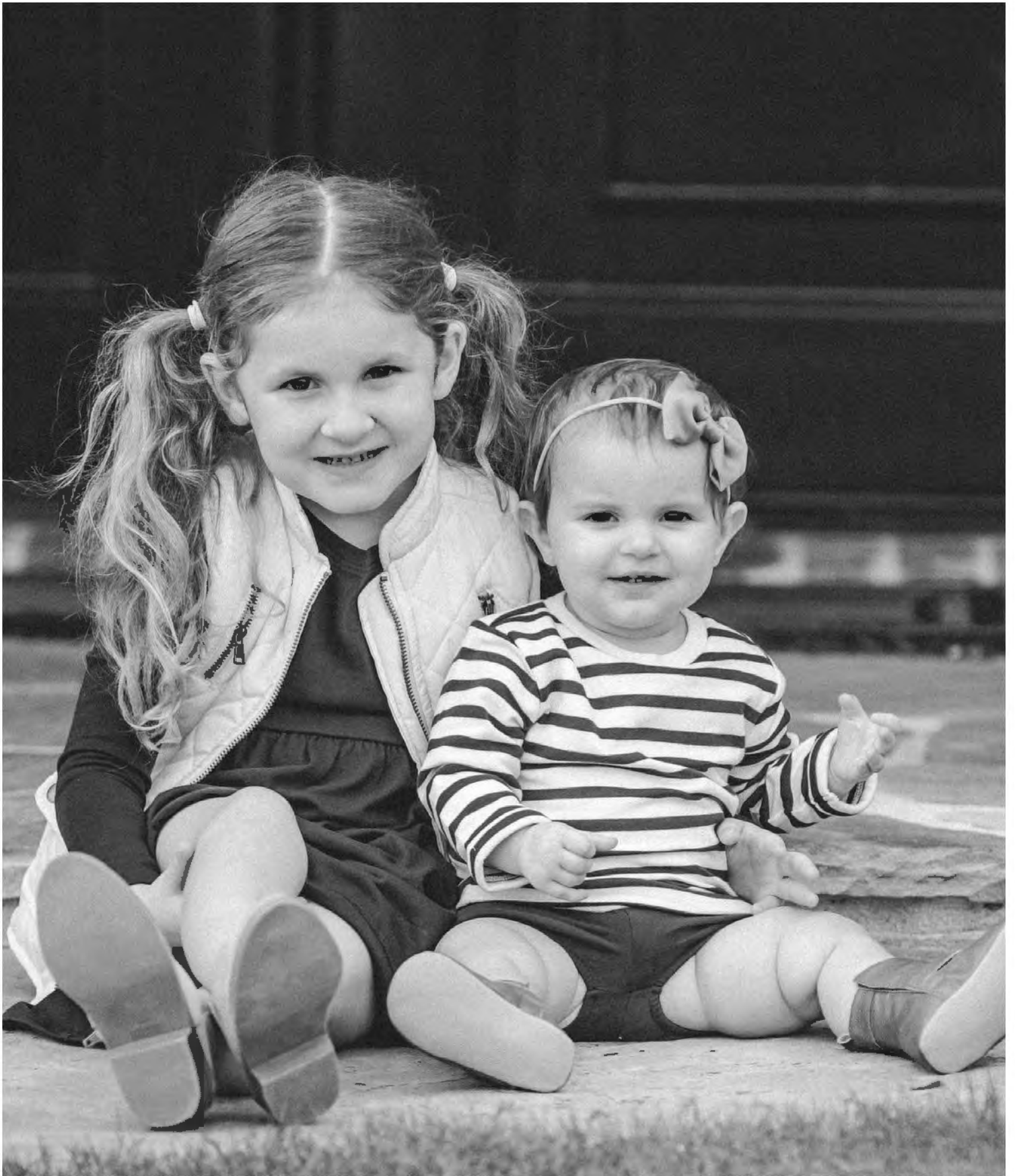
WENDY MARTINEZ

Wendy applauds DBL and the support it provides to the community. She is the daughter of Joy and John Siegmund.



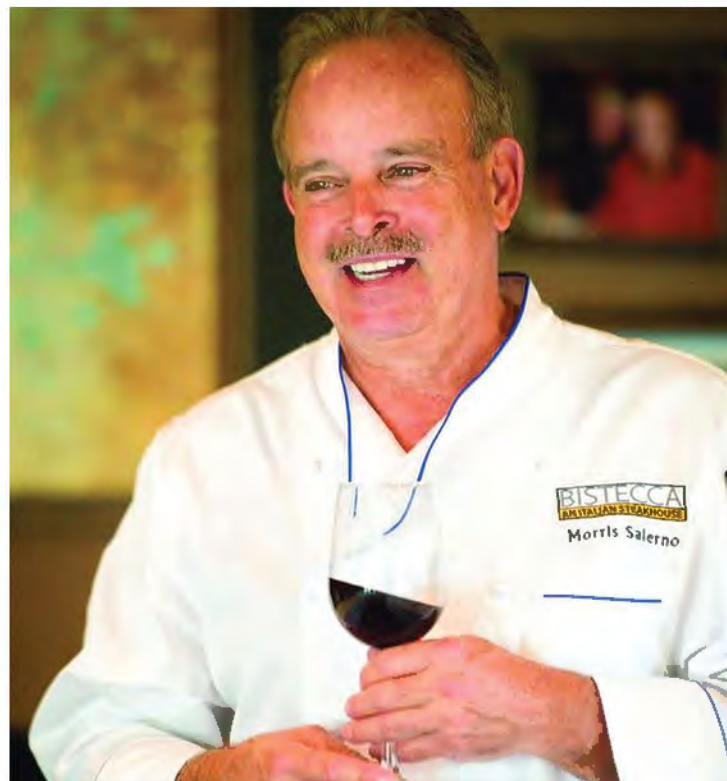
MEADOR'S NURSERY

Gene Meador and her grandchildren, Miles and Annie Meador.



MERKI & ASSOCIATES, PC

Finleigh and Carsen, daughters of Melissa and Michael Foster, are excited to represent Merki & Associates in congratulating DBL on another successful year.



TERRY & BOB WIDMER

Jimmy and Alani Widmer and Rhyker. The Widmer family salutes DBL and its work in the community.

BISTECCA - CHEF MORRIS SALERNO

Chef Morris Salerno raises a glass to DBL and all who serve the Denton community.



Ebby Halliday, REALTORS - DENTON

Ebby Halliday, REALTORS says congratulations to Denton Benefit League on another great year! This year's theme for the ball, "There's no place like home. . . Denton" is awesome, and Ebby knows something about homes.



UNITED WAY OF DENTON COUNTY

United Way of Denton County proudly salutes DBL for its commitment to our community. The UWDC Executive Committee includes Dr. Finley Graves, Laura Behrens, Lyle Dresher, Mary Curtis, Greg Sawko, Jo Ann Ballantine, Brandon McCleskey, Gary Henderson, Josh Ashford, Micah Pazoureck, Carrell Ann Simmons, Debbie Smatresk, Ellen M. Painter, and Mark Merki.



RENEE & JEREMY HASSELL

Blake Hassell, son of Jeremy and Renee Hassell, says congratulations to Denton Benefit League for hitting a hole in one!



LUX CHIROPRACTIC

Ben, Austin, and Christian Lux want to give DBL a group hug for being the SPINE of Denton!



MAKE THE MOVE TEAM WITH eXp REALTY- DENTON COUNTY REALTORS

Samantha Pearson, Beth Caudill, and Karla Zelay are proud to be part of the DBL community.



CARYN & CLAY RIGGS

Caryn and Clay congratulate their daughter, Kenzie, on her graduation from Denton High School and her acceptance into the University of Alabama.



GOOD SAMARITAN SOCIETY - DENTON COMMUNITIES

Good Samaritan Society - Denton Communities are thankful for DBL. (Top) Freddie Martinez, Araminta Montgomery, Louise Stewart, Rhonda Ellis, Annette Flores, Alisha Keene, Dr. Robert Pearson; (bottom) Andrew Webb, Gwen Briscoe Dorwaldt, Luis Alfonzo, Laura Wells, Wilma Carroll, Lana Woods, Herta Haskins-Smith.



CHRISTOPHER BANCROFT OPERATIONS

Chris is pleased to recognize Denton Christian Preschool, a United Way Agency, and its mission in preparing at-risk preschool children for success in school and in life.



McNEILL'S APPLIANCE

The McNeill family, Virginia, Steve, and Pam, want to thank Denton Benefit League for all the years of serving our community.



VICKIE JACKALONE

In memory of Scott Ehley, beloved husband of DBL photographer, Vickie Jackalone.



JAMIE & JEFF McCORMICK

Ollie McCormick is the grandson of Jamie and Jeff McCormick.



JAMIE & JEFF McCORMICK

Layton Jade McCormick is the granddaughter of Jamie and Jeff McCormick.



AccessBank TEXAS

AccessBank Texas is proud to be a part of such a dynamic group of leaders within the community. Thanks for all that you do!



BILL DeBERRY FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Bill and Mary Ann DeBerry are proud to support the Denton Benefit League.



SHERRY & L. DEE SHIPMAN

Sherry and L. Dee appreciate the many ways in which DBL supports the community.



THE BRIGGS FAMILY

The Briggs family appreciates the valuable work of DBL and nonprofit organizations in the community.



PAT & JUD SHERMAN

Pat and Jud treasure rare time together with all their grandchildren including Lucas and Emma Carvalho; Caleb, Owen, Bennett, and Micah Sherman.



POINTBANK

Congratulations to DBL and the Class of 2020! Pilot Point Senior, Jackson Lang, is the grandson of Ann and Raymond David.



EASTSIDE & OAK STREET DRAFT HOUSE

East Oak Angelines family photo!

**BUSBY/HOUDEK**

Elliott Busby is a senior at Lewisville High School and has been a member of the LHS swim team and select water polo teams. He will graduate in May and has been accepted to the University of Oklahoma. Elliott is the son of Kelli and Aaron Busby.



EDENE & CHARLES RIGGS

Edene and Charles celebrate DBL on a fantastic year and their granddaughter, Kenzie, on her acceptance into the University of Alabama.



LIMERICK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC

Carol and John Ryan salute the hard-working volunteers of DBL on another great year.



POLLARD AIRCRAFT

Penney and Tim Pollard congratulate Denton Benefit League for continuing to soar to new heights.



SPRINGBOK ACADEMY – LIZ SEIBT & FRANCOIS DesCOTES

Springbok Academy (Liz Seibt and Francois DesCotes) congratulate Denton Benefit League on another successful year of giving back to the Denton community.



LANE REAL ESTATE

(Front) Saige Soell, Tobin Lane, Hutch Lane, Bose Lane; (back) Doug Soell, Maegan Soell, Maylin Soell, Eddie Lane, Penny Lane, Perry Lane, Alayna Lane.



COMMUNITY PHARMACY

Emily and Erin Selby, along with parents Kelly and Nancy, congratulate Denton Benefit League and thank them for their continued support in Denton County.



CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER FOR DENTON COUNTY

Children's Advocacy Center for Denton County acknowledges DBL for its generous support of its new office located at the Serve Denton campus! With thanks from the Development Team: Kate Hudson, Carol Barrera, Amy Ferdinando, Kate Lynass, and Michelle Rocha.



CARMEN & VIRGIL STRANGE

Virgil congratulates his graduating grandchildren. Caroline Herry will attend the University of Arizona on a full gymnastics scholarship. She is the daughter of Melissa Straubmueller. Sam Strange plans to serve in Special Operations of the US Navy. Sam is the son of Jim and Colette Strange.



THE HONORABLE MYRA CROWOVER

Myra Crowover and Terral Smith and their grandchildren are honored to support DBL.



LEWIS, PASSONS & DARNELL, P.C.

The firm proudly supports DBL! Thanks for all you do for Denton!



TERRI & RON GUTHRIE

Terri and Ron Guthrie are thrilled to introduce their grandsons, Baker and Major. A new generation to care about and support DBL!



SHARON HARRIS DRAPER

Sharon salutes Denton Animal Support Foundation (DASF) for fourteen years of supporting Denton shelter pets, programs, and facilities, thus enabling high quality care and thousands of adoptions.



LAURA & BOBBY GENTRY

The Gentry family, including Bobby Jr., Teri, Bobby Sr., Coleman, Laura, Riley, Hudson, Westin, Annie, Alex, and Taite, proudly support DBL!

Denton Benefit League

2019-2020 GRANTS

CASA OF DENTON COUNTY

Computer, printer, and locking file cabinet.
(partial funding)

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF DENTON COUNTY

Supplies to aid childcare support services.
(partial funding)

COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF NORTH TEXAS

Technology support with new laptops for Denton ISD. (partial funding)

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S HOME

HVAC replacement for Currie Long Cottage.
(partial funding)

DENTON CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Multi-functional copy machine. (partial funding)

DENTON COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER, INC.

Food for distribution to clients.
(partial funding)

DENTON COUNTY MHMR CENTER (MENTAL HEALTH)

Motel room stays at various hotels.
(partial funding)

DENTON FESTIVAL FOUNDATION (DENTON ARTS & JAZZ FESTIVAL)

Technical infrastructure for Arts & Jazz Festival. (partial funding)

DENTON KIWANIS

Medical and dental treatment, prescriptions, and glasses. (partial funding)

EXPLORIUM DENTON

Digital interactive floor exhibit.
(partial funding)

FIRST REFUGE MINISTRIES

One refrigerator Denton location.
(partial funding)

FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY

Office furniture for Corinth location.
(partial funding)

GOOD SAMARITAN SOCIETY

Wheelchair van. (partial funding)

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF FT. WORTH

Three laptops for outreach and job training.
(partial funding)

HEALTH SERVICES OF NORTH TX

Funding for medical equipment to be used by four HSNT medical centers in Denton County. (partial funding)

HEARTS FOR HOMES

Funding towards purchase of one used, 3/4-ton pickup truck to provide home improvement assistance for needy seniors. (partial funding)

INTERFAITH MINISTRIES OF DENTON, INC.

Funding toward purchase of backpacks and school supplies for children of low-income families. (partial funding)

LIFE WORKS COMMUNITY

Funding towards assistive technology for adults with disabilities. (partial funding)

MONSIGNOR KING OUTREACH CENTER

Three picnic tables and umbrellas with ADA compliance and shipping. (partial funding)

OPENING DOORS INTERNATIONAL

CLINIC Accreditation Training for two people to provide legal assistance. (partial funding)

OUR DAILY BREAD

Program services: bus passes, gas vouchers, laundry vouchers, and shower passes.
(partial funding)

RANCH HANDS RESCUE

Psychological tests to measure client counseling treatment progress. (partial funding)

SALVATION ARMY OF DENTON

Commercial washer, washer base, and commercial dryer for emergency shelter.
(partial funding)

SCRAP CREATIVE REUSE

Updated resources (counter, iPad, register, and garage maintenance). (partial funding)

TOTAL GRANTS
DISTRIBUTED
2019-2020
\$207,105

TOTAL DBL
GRANTS
DISTRIBUTED
SINCE 1974

\$5,887,414

GREATER DENTON ARTS COUNCIL

Stage upgrade and podium replacement.
(partial funding)

GREEN VALLEY SCHOOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Exterior painting to preserve historical school. (partial funding)

SELWYN SCHOOL

Four Apple iPads with Apple Care and cases.
(partial funding)

SERVE DENTON

Directional sign for Serve Denton Campus.
(partial funding)

SOLUTIONS OF NORTH TX

Renovations of two restrooms. (partial funding)

SPAN/MEALS ON WHEELS**DENTON COUNTY**

Food cost for meals. (partial funding)

TEJAS STORYTELLING ASSOCIATION

Civic Center site rental assistance.

UNITED WAY OF DENTON COUNTY

Funding for technology upgrade for staff -
Dell laptop set ups. (partial funding)

UNT - PUSH

Student vouchers for textbooks and
academic supplies. (partial funding)

VISUAL ARTS SOCIETY OF TX (VAST)

Thirteen-inch MacBook Pro with Apple Care.
(partial funding)

VNA ANN'S HAVEN

Non-medical necessities for patients and
their families. (partial funding)



How to Apply for a DBL Grant

DBL accepts grant applications August through September each year. Award notifications are sent in mid-November. Information about the application process is available on the DBL website. The Grant Policy defines qualifications, requirements, types of grants available, and application procedures. Grant information sessions are held to assist applicants.

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Denton Benefit League

2019-2020 **GRANTS**







PRESIDENTS FUTURE, PRESENT, AND PAST

Laura Brewer, president elect, Shelley Anthony, president, Sheryl Goodson, past president.



PRESIDENTS

(Front) Melinda King 2016-2017, Terri Guthrie 2017-2018, Shelley Anthony 2019-2020, Sheryl Goodson 2018-2019, Cathy Bryce 2015-2016; (back) Jo Ann Ballantine 2006-2007, Jackie Jackson 2011-2012, Sandra Robinson 2007-2008.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board is elected by the membership of Denton Benefit League to facilitate the activities of the organization.



NOMINATING

This committee prepares a slate of board members for the 2020-2021 DBL year. Cathy Bryce is chair of the Nominating Committee and is assisted by Rosemary Grose and Linda Burton, along with (not pictured) Lesley Merki and Randi Skinner.



BYLAWS, FINANCE, AND DATA INFORMATION SERVICES

The Bylaws Committee, under Past President Sheryl Goodson, makes recommendations that will enable DBL to operate smoothly as an organization. The Finance Committee is responsible for all funds raised by DBL and chaired by Treasurer Caryn Riggs. The Data Information Services Committee, chaired by Deborah Cottle, manages a common database for DBL.



JOINT MEETING OF ASSOCIATE AND SUSTAINING MEMBERS

DBL honors its associate and sustaining members with an evening of fellowship, food, and fun. This committee is chaired by Maritza Cates.



MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

The Membership Committees, chaired by April Massett and Lisa de Oliveira, keep track of meeting attendance, provide orientation for new members, and are responsible for the recruitment and retention of members.



ANN'S HAVEN HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT LUNCHEON

DBL provides a complete meal each October for the monthly bereavement group luncheon that is sponsored by VNA Ann's Haven Hospice. The meetings are open to the public. The committee is chaired by Sheryl Goodson.



UNDERWRITING

Members serving on the Underwriting Committee, chaired by Rebecca Jackson, solicit donors to support the charity ball, the tabloid, and the work of DBL in the community. Underwriters include local businesses, charitable foundations, members of the community, and DBL members.



GRANTS

This committee, chaired by Carolyn Ferguson, has the honor of guiding the annual distribution of DBL's charitable funds for the current year to nonprofit organizations throughout the Denton area that enrich the lives of many.



VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Carol Rogers chairs this committee that coordinates DBL's areas of volunteering. DBL members dedicate thousands of hours to make life better for the Denton community.



HOSPITALITY

Maritza Cates and her committee are responsible for preparing an assortment of refreshments for members and guests before each meeting.



HOSPITALITY



CHARITY BALL

Chaired by Phyllis Kessel, these committees are responsible for everything from invitations and reservations to decorations and clean-up, and for securing exciting auction items for the “There’s No Place Like Home” ball.



CHARITY BALL



ARTS & JAZZ FESTIVAL

The Arts & Jazz Committee provides community service for the festival by recruiting members to volunteer for one of the foundation's booths. The festival is held on the last weekend of April each year. Christi Moss chairs this committee.



SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

This committee, chaired by Vicki Olson, recruits members to volunteer for a program that provides gifts to children from families in dire need of support during the holiday season.



TABLOID

The Tabloid Committee, chaired by Alicia Barker and assisted by Tanya Blixt, is responsible for the second largest fundraiser for DBL. This committee solicits sponsors, collects photos and captions, and is responsible for proofreading the tabloid.



PUBLIC RELATIONS

Chaired by President Elect Laura Brewer, this committee is the liaison between DBL, its members, and the community.



MONSIGNOR KING OUTREACH CENTER

DBL chefs prepare and serve a tasty dinner for the clients of the Monsignor King Outreach Center. This committee is chaired by Elizabeth Ferring.



DENTON CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL MEXICAN SUPPER

DBL supplies decorations and volunteers for this annual autumn event which enables the nonprofit to give children from low socioeconomic households an opportunity to attend preschool. Kim Collins chairs this committee.



FALL SOCIAL AND SPRING TEA

Savannah Ferguson and her committee plan both fall and spring events for members and guests to relax and socialize.

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Denton Benefit League Celebrates **NEW MEMBERS**



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to our wonderful DBL photographers who have captured our memories and photos exquisitely!



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Brittanie is a portrait and headshot photographer in Denton, Texas. She loves working with people and building new connections. She absolutely loves capturing the true personalities of high school seniors as they are about to transition to the next big phase of their lives. Brittanie has fun when she is able to think outside the box and create a unique session that best fits each individual person she photographs.

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Denton Abbey Tea

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Steve's Wine Bar
111 Industrial Street • Denton, TX 76201

Denton Benefit League has hosted many teas throughout its history. The first one, "Paris in the Evening," was held the afternoon of the Charity Ball on March 4, 1978. Afternoon teas were held on the same day as the ball through 2002. The teas were discontinued for several years but were resumed in 2013. This year's tea, "Denton Abbey Tea," was at Steve's Wine Bar. The venue was transformed into a garden atmosphere with white tablecloths, white roses, and hydrangeas accented with eucalyptus.





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IN APPRECIATION

THESE TESTIMONIALS PROVIDE A SAMPLING FROM
THE MANY ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE RECEIVED DBL GRANTS



CHARITY BALL

The Charity Ball is DBL's biggest fundraiser. A successful Charity Ball means more funds are available to provide grants to nonprofit agencies in the Denton community. Planning for the ball starts a year in advance and includes selecting a venue and theme, designing and addressing invitations, choosing food and wine pairings, and decorating the venue to create a special atmosphere for the guests. A lot of hard work goes into the ball and it is worth it. This is what Denton Benefit League is all about - volunteering and fundraising to help others!



KEEP DENTON BEAUTIFUL

DBL has been participating in the Adopt-A-Spot program for at least twenty-two years. We wanted to be a part of helping Denton stay beautiful. I feel like being a part of the cleanups allows others to see that we care about Denton and we are setting an example. Some participants also include their family members and it sets an expectation of helping others.

Shelley Anthony



GOOD SAMARITAN

Words cannot even express the impact DBL has made to seniors at Lake Forest and Denton Village. Because DBL gave us a chance, because you cared, seniors and their families can heal in a place beyond the walls of their room in a garden. Because you cared, loved ones can have date nights to WhataBurger in the comfort of a new van. Thank you for all you do!

Laura Wells



DENTON FESTIVAL FOUNDATION, INC.

We are fortunate to have Denton Benefit League in our community. DBL has made a significant impact since the 1970's in the contributions they have donated to many deserving non-profit organizations. The Denton Festival Foundation, Inc. has been a DBL recipient for many years for the production of the annual Denton Arts & Jazz Festival. Our event is FREE and boasts 7 stages, 300 artists and vendors from all over the United States, renowned headliners every year and an attendance of over 220,000 each year. The major sponsorship from DBL is so appreciated as part of the ½ million dollars we have to raise annually. Thank you DBL!

Carol Short, Founder & Executive Director, DBL Member & Past President



CASA

The mission of CASA of Denton County is to provide trained community volunteers to advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children. CASA advocates are appointed by the Denton County District courts to work on the front lines to support the best interests of the children in their cases. They are ordinary citizens from all walks of life who step up and are there for the child. DBL has provided grants for office furniture and equipment and technology devices to enable CASA to better meet the needs of the children they serve.

DENTON COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER

Grant funding from DBL has allowed the Denton Community Food Center (DCFC) to provide food that will produce 67,000 meals for struggling families in our community. This includes fresh meats, produce, and dairy, along with traditional non-perishable items such as canned and boxed goods. DBL and DCFC together create a Win Win for our local community. Thank you for your outstanding support.

Tom Newell, DCFC Board Chair



SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

Denton Benefit League has been a supporter of the Salvation Army Angel Tree for many years. Volunteers assist members of the community in "adopting" children and help with receiving the generous donations. Angel Tree provides new clothing and toys for children of families in need. Many children would not have any gifts for Christmas without this wonderful project.

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VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION

With funding from Denton Benefit League, VNA Ann's Haven provided funeral assistance for a Denton County hospice patient in need. Her family was so touched by the generosity and said with this help, they were able to grieve appropriately after the patient's passing rather than feeling stressed or overwhelmed by the high cost of funeral arrangements. The assistance relieved a heavy burden and the family expressed how grateful they were.

Cheryl Jones Director, Donor Relations

SERVE DENTON

Denton Benefit League has been a champion for Serve Denton and our community since we opened our doors. We could not have provided our partner nonprofit organizations, and most importantly their clients, the type of working environment that welcomes people and shows that we care. Thank you to Denton Benefit League for caring for our neighbors in need alongside us.



SELWYN SCHOOL

With the assistance of the Denton Benefit League, Selwyn School has been able to continue offering high-quality, technology-assisted education to all students on its campus. At Selwyn, every student enjoys access to technology as they study, and DBL's grant has ensured, in part, that every child who wants to learn at Selwyn will have equal access to learning opportunities. DBL's generous grant allowed Selwyn to purchase four new iPads and cases for lower school students. These devices will provide several years of use to students as they grow into savvy digital citizens who are truly prepared for the twenty-first century.



RANCH HANDS RESCUE

Thank you Denton Benefit League for your trust in Ranch Hands Rescue. Your grants are helping us provide specialized therapy and other resources for abused people and animals who've suffered from severe trauma. We are grateful for your support.

Bob Williams, CEO



VAST

This is a photo of the MacBook Pro that DBL bought for VAST this year. Note it is being used for an educational program. It is being projected on the large screen at the PAAC. DBL provides so much for so many.



CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER FOR DENTON COUNTY

The grant allocated to us by Denton Benefit League ensures that every child who faces the crime of child abuse gets access to healing and justice. In addition to those critical dollars, we are so proud of the awareness that is raised through our partnership with DBL about the issue of child abuse and the first class response we offer in Denton County.

Kate Hudson



OUR DAILY BREAD

At Our Daily Bread, trust is built, hope is restored, and lives are transformed. We are a refuge for our neighbors who are experiencing hunger and homelessness.

Ongoing support from Denton Benefit League is critical to our work, the wellness and independence of our most vulnerable citizens, and our community as a whole. We are so grateful to this organization for helping us feed the hungry and so much more.



SOLUTIONS OF NORTH TEXAS

We are so appreciative for Denton Benefit League and its dedication to making not only our organization better, but also our community. DBL's continuous support has been monumental and has had a huge impact on our staff, clients, and the residents of Denton County. We are forever grateful to this organization for everything it has done and continues to do!



HEARTS FOR HOMES

On behalf of the Hearts for Homes Board of Directors, I want to thank the Denton Benefit League for your generous gift to support the work of caring for senior homeowners in Denton County. This grant money will provide partial funding for a much needed pickup truck to support the daily work of senior home repairs. The Benefit League has proven to be a true partner in helping to carry out the Hearts for Homes mission.

Tim Williamson, President, Board of Directors

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To raise funding for local philanthropic purposes and promote volunteerism in the community.



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