

Luncheon to provide scholarships for students of Jack & Jill Children's Center

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Help ensure children will receive quality early childhood education while their parents and guardians work by attending the annual "Power Lunch."

The event, benefiting Jack & Jill Children's Center, will take place Sept. 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lauderdale Yacht Club, 1725 SE 12th St., Fort Lauderdale.

All proceeds from the lunch help provide scholarships and family support for the children of Jack & Jill for the upcoming year. Through luncheon contributions, parents or guardians can go to work with the peace of mind that their children will receive education and nurturing care at the center. For these parents, Jack & Jill is their greatest hope to offer a stable future for their families.

The event is led by chairwomen Cindy Cast, Heather Geronemus, Nancy Peterson and Sherri Whittington. Sponsors include Tibor & Sheila Hollo Charitable Foundation, Florida East Coast Realty, Jose Milton Foundation and Atlantic Pacific Companies.

In recognition of their dedication to the center, the Friend's of Jack & Jill will honor Wells Fargo and Pat Ramge as their corporate honorees; The Salah Foundation's Noreen Salah Burpee and George Taylor as their foundation honorees; and Laurence Pengelly as their volunteer honoree.

Tickets to "Power Lunch" are \$100. Sponsorships, which underwrite the cost of a child to attend Jack & Jill, can also be purchased.

Jack & Jill Children's Center is a nonprofit organization founded in 1942 by the Junior League of Fort Lauderdale. The mission of the center is to break the cycle of poverty for children of <u>Broward County</u>'s low-income working families through family-oriented childcare services and family intervention/support programs.

More than a decade ago, 25 women founded Friends of Jack & Jill, the fundraising wing of the center. Since then, they raised more than \$2 million through special events, fundraisers and personal donations.

For more information on the "Power Lunch," call Jennifer Swercheck at 954-463-8772, email jswercheck@jackandjillcenter.org or visit www.jackandjillcenter.org.

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