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33rd Annual Junior League A Christmas Affair: "Noel de Paris"

Austin, TX -- The Junior League of Austin A Christmas Affair, "Noel de Paris" will be held at the Palmer Events Center Wednesday, November 19 through Sunday, November 23, 2008. Over 200 merchants from across the country have been hand selected to participate in this five day holiday market which is the most successful of its kind produced by any Junior League in the country.

A Christmas Affair opens with the gala, "**Moulin Rouge**", on Wednesday, November 19. This formal preview party will allow attendees to enjoy private shopping, amazing food, a live and silent auction and live entertainment under the Eiffel Tower. Tickets are \$150 per person.

The week continues with special events taking place in the tea room on the upper level of Palmer Events Center, including Girls' Night Out "**Femme Fatale**", the "**En Vogue**" fashion show presented by Estilo Boutique, a family carnival benefiting Coats for Kids and Breakfast with Santa, "**Papa Noel**".

Market day hours are open to the public where guests may shop up and down the streets of Paris for four consecutive days. The shopping hours are Thursday 12noon-9pm, Friday 10am-9pm, Saturday 10am-8pm, and Sunday 11am-5pm. Tickets are \$12 at the door. Children ages 5 and under are free and strollers, pull carts, and rolling bags are not allowed in an effort to keep guests safe.

First held in 1976 at the Driskill Hotel, this is the 33rd year A Christmas Affair has been a vital part of fundraising in the Austin community. More than 20,000 people are expected to attend A Christmas Affair 2008, allowing The Junior League of Austin to invest over \$1,000,000 annually in the community.

About The Junior League of Austin: Each year, The Junior League of Austin donates over a million dollars to the community and Junior League members devote over 100,000 volunteer hours to over 50 nonprofit agencies. This year The Junior League of Austin is proud to be celebrating 75 years of giving to the Austin community.

The 2008 A Christmas Affair "Noel de Paris" is sponsored by FOX 7, KASE 101, The River 102.3, 98.1 KVET, Texas Monthly, Austin American Statesman, Austin Monthly, Majic 95.5, Texas Home and Living Magazine, Austin Family Magazine, 590 KLBK, 103.5 BOB,-FM, The Word 99.3 and 98.5 KLGO.

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