

Lighthouse Lacrosse Foundation 2008 ANNUAL REPORT



Lighthouse Lacrosse Foundation is a non-profit organization created to increase participation in lacrosse by core city Jacksonville boys and girls and to utilize the game as a tool to encourage positive life choices and academic achievement.

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Greetings

Wow! What a year! Thanks to donations of Time, Talent and Treasure from our Volunteers, Contributors and Board Members, Lighthouse Lacrosse Foundation had a wonderful year! Thanks to you, Lighthouse has made a difference in young people's lives and is picking up momentum. And we're having lots of fun as we go.

We also need to acknowledge our wonderful partners and sponsors: The Police Athletic League, US Lacrosse, Jacksonville University, Coggin Automotive and Jax Lax Sports. PAL's Mallison Park was the site for six Sundays of club lacrosse competition during the winter and one of the three sites for our spring Lacrosse Academies. US Lacrosse gave us helmets and goggles for our novice players and have asked Lighthouse to be one of their inaugural partners in a new program of Emerging Groups in their Bridge Program.

In a year filled with rewarding activity, three events stand out. The final scrimmage game at Mallison Park between our Franklin Street and Ed Austin Lacrosse Academy teams was exciting, well attended and featured energetic play and even more spirited cheering from families and friends. Our volunteer coaches could not have had a more fitting commencement! Then, in April, over 500 fans enjoyed perfect weather and two exciting High School All Star games at Jacksonville University sponsored in 2008 by Coggin Automotive. The North-South All Star games for graduating girls and boys will become a Lighthouse tradition with our second game this coming spring. And finally, at a school wide assembly in December, over 200 Potters House Upper School students, their teachers and administrators wildly cheered the announcement of Boys and Girls Club Lacrosse teams for the spring of 2009 and the donation of 30 boys and girls Sticks from JAXLAX Sports. We expect big things from this new entrant to North Florida Lacrosse.



Randy

Head Coach

Our finances are strong. Our supporters continue to donate allowing us to support our new players with equipment and fields, coaches and referees. With support in late December, we finished the year with \$25,000 in cash in a year that we made over \$21,000 in equipment and coaching grants. In 2009 we'll have even more fun as we keep running our successful programs and events for a second year and we establish our new middle school club league.

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Franklin St. PAL Team



2008 Milestones

Winter

- Equipment grants to Paxon, Sandalwood, Stanton High and Fort Caroline Middle Schools
- Mallison Sundays - Club lacrosse games for Lee, Stanton and Fletcher boys not competing in school based Varsity programs and beginning lacrosse instruction for girls
- Face Off for A Cause- PAL youth from three locations attended UMBC – Delaware division I men’s lacrosse game at Fletcher , sponsored by Bank of Florida
- Physical Education classes taught by Lighthouse Volunteers at Kirby Smith and Matthew Gilbert Middle Schools



Spring

- PAL-Lighthouse Lacrosse Academies at three PAL parks introduced the game to 45 middle school age players
- First Annual North Florida Senior All Star games (both boys and girls) played at Jacksonville University
- Physical Education Classes taught at Potters House Christian Academy
- Jacksonville University announces Division I men’s and women’s programs and appoints Lighthouse Board member Mindy McCord as Lacrosse Director and Women’s Coach
- Equipment grants to Potters House, Arlington and JW Johnson YMCA’s
- Lighthouse Recognizes Volunteer Coaches and Awards Man and Woman of Year Awards to Josh Covelli and Mindy McCord

Summer

- Lighthouse volunteers coached PAL summer camp youth over 8 weeks at three separate locations in Jacksonville core city neighborhoods
- Jacksonville University appoints Matt Kerwick as first Men’s Coach

Fall

- Second Annual Lighthouse Fall Classic draws eight HS teams for boys, three girls HS teams and 50 middle school age youth over two days; JU Coach Kerwick conducts shooting clinic, JU and UNF women’s clubs play demonstration game
- Lighthouse Volunteers conduct coaches workshop for Potters House sports staff
- PE classes at Frank Peterson Academies of Technology, Potters House and John E. Ford K-8 school
- YMCA presentations to sports staff and volunteer basketball, flag football and Pop Warner coaches.
- JaxLax Sports makes equipment donation of 15 girls and 15 boys sticks, eye goggles and gloves to Potters House School

Lighthouse Lacrosse Foundation, Inc. Profit & Loss January - December 2008

	Total
Operating Income	\$41,785.00
Expenses	
Administrative	\$1449.75
Insurance	485.00
Legal & Professional Fees	1,440.40
Office Expenses	642.91
Other Miscellaneous Service Cost	2,836.04
Promotional	694.50
Rent or Lease	765.00
Stationery & Printing	3,751.71
Equipment Purchases	18,436.52
Taxes & Licenses	61.25
Total Expenses	<u>\$29,920.17</u>
Net Income	<u><u>\$11,864.83</u></u>

Thanks to Partners and Sponsors



Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2008

ASSETS	
Current Assets(Cash)	\$25,205.15
Fixed Assets(Equipment)	\$7,045.46
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$32,250.61</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	0.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	20,385.78
Net Income	11,864.83
Total Equity	<u>\$32,250.61</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u><u>\$32,250.61</u></u>

Looking forward to 2009

What specifically do we want to accomplish during 2009?

- At least two elementary school age programs
YMCA equipment grants to Arlington and JW Johnson facilities
- Middle School competition among feeder schools
Fort Caroline -- Terry Parker • Mayport -- Fletcher
Landon/JWJ/Darnell Cookman --Paxon/Stanton
Landmark/Kernan/Creekside--Sandalwood and Mandarin
- First year boys and girls Club teams at Potters House
Christian Academy and Frank Peterson
Academies of Technology
- At least 60 boys and girls in April-May PAL
Lacrosse Academies
- Summer lacrosse league with Fin Lacrosse
- PAL summer camp



JaxLax donates equipment to Potters House.

Lighthouse Lacrosse Foundation People of the Year



Josh Covelli

Recognized for his tremendous help building lacrosse locally, Josh is an unselfish and dedicated coach who made national news this year with his life-saving efforts at a Fletcher HS lacrosse game.



Mindy Mc Cord

Mindy has been a force developing girls lacrosse in North Florida and coaching the Nease HS girls team to the playoffs. Recently she was hired to head Jacksonville University's new Division I lacrosse program and coach its women's team.

Both Mindy and Josh have been great supporters of Lighthouse Lacrosse and our efforts to attract more players, coaches and fans.



Lee High School
PAL - Lighthouse Club Team

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