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The Junior League of Akron Hosts “Touch-A-Truck” Event for Boys and Girls Club

Akron, Ohio; June 10, 2015: The Junior League of Akron recently hosted a Touch-a-Truck event for the Boys and Girls Club of The Western Reserve.

The interactive event, held at the LeBron James Clubhouse, gave club members and their families the opportunity to get up close and personal with dozens of vehicles. During the event, kids discovered the ins and outs of fire trucks, First Energy vehicles, limousines and more. The Akron Mounted Police also brought two horses, teaching kids how to care for and maintain horses.

James Warner II, Director of the LeBron James Clubhouse, describes the event as one of their bests, “The kids agree – it was the coolest event we have had here all year.”

The event also featured an appearance by The Akron RubberDucks mascot Webster, an interactive lesson on how honey is made by Brent Wesley of the Akron Honey Company, face painting by Party People, and a dance lesson from dance instructor Katie Sole. Club members were also given the chance to play video games in a mobile gaming truck and jump to their heart’s content in a bouncy house.

“We wanted to give the kids a great way to kick off their Spring Break”, says Cindy Retterer, President of The Junior League of Akron, “The kids had so much fun getting up close to these trucks and finding out how they work.”

The Junior League of Akron would like to thank the following community participants: The City of Akron Fire Department, FirstEnergy, The Akron Mounted Police, Guardians Advocating Child Safety and Protection (GASP), Party People, The Akron RubberDucks, Thomas Limousine Company, Akron Honey Company, Ohio Mobile Gaming and Katie Sole.

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The Junior League of Akron is a nonprofit organization formed in 1926 that provides opportunities for women to gain valuable volunteer expertise as well as professional skills while working on vital community projects. The Junior League of Akron empowers women for positive change in our community. The Junior League of Akron is proud of the ventures its members have started or participated in including Junior Leadership Akron, Family TIES, The Volunteer Center, Child Guidance Centers, Akron Artfest, Immunization Coalition of Summit County, The Community Wish List, Oral Health Initiative, Health Education Center, Battered Women’s Shelter, Safe Landing Runaway Shelter, Guardian Ad Litem, and Mary Day Nursery (currently the Akron Children’s Hospital).

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