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**2008 GINGERBREAD EXTRAVAGANZA RETURNS TO THE JACKSONVILLE
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Jacksonville, Fla., June 15, 2008 - The Gingerbread House Extravaganza, organized by the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville, in association with other local Rotary Clubs, will be returning to the Jacksonville Historical Society headquarters for this year's charity event.

In just six years, the Gingerbread House Extravaganza has raised approximately \$450,000 for area charities. In the past, the Ronald McDonald House, HabiJax and over 20 local charities have been the recipients of the donations collected from this charity event.

“This will be the second year that this event has taken place at the Jacksonville Historical Society. After last year’s success, we knew that this is the best location to accommodate over 50 gingerbread houses,” said Vicki-Lynn Glover, president of the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville.

Each year's event features gingerbread houses built by local individuals and organizations, as well as area country club chefs, restaurants, bakeries, architects and various organizations that will compete for eight different awards. Past winners have varied from traditional to contemporary, with a numbers of entries built to resemble local landmarks.



The Jacksonville Historical Society is located at the Old St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, across the street from the Jacksonville Memorial Arena at 317 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd.

For addition information, please visit our website at www.rotarycharity.org or call (904) 396 - 4105.

The 2008 Gingerbread Extravaganza details include:

Date: November 29 - December 23, 2008

Location:

Jacksonville Historical Society
317 A Philip Randolph Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Exhibit Hours:

OPENING DAY - Saturday, November 29: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday – Saturday, December 3 -16: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17 – Tuesday, December 23: 11a.m. – 5 p.m.
Open on Tuesdays by appointment

Admission:

Adults - \$5 donation
Children (3 - 16) - \$2 donation
Infants - Free

