



**The Gayle and Tom Benson Ochsner Children's Hospital**  
invites you to celebrate 20 years of YEP at the Smoothie King Center!

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**Gayle Benson** provides leadership for the New Orleans Pelicans and New Orleans Saints, succeeding her husband, Tom Benson, who passed away on March 15, 2018, after serving as the owner of the Pelicans franchise since 2012 and the Saints since 1985. The New Orleans native is an accomplished business professional and philanthropist with strong ties to the local community and is dedicated to contributing to the growth and enhancement of the Gulf South region.

Mr. and Mrs. Benson worked together to build model NFL and NBA organizations, housed in state-of-the-art facilities at the Ochsner Sports Performance Center, Caesars Superdome, and Smoothie King Center, while making a positive impact in the community.

Community investment and giving back have been hallmarks of Mr. and Mrs. Benson's ownership of the Saints and Pelicans. This tradition continues under Mrs. Benson's stewardship, sharing her late husband's vision and passion for helping others. She has further enriched the New Orleans community through her support to causes in the health and wellness, cancer care, education, arts, and faith-based sectors.

As dedicated corporate citizens, the Saints and Pelicans annually put millions of dollars back into the community in financial support, in-kind donations, charitable appearances and donations of goods and services. Mrs. Benson's philanthropic leadership has been recognized far and wide since becoming Owner in 2018.



**Terrah Green**, a humanitarian, and business professional earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration from Central Michigan University. She has dedicated over 15 years to operations and project management in the advertising and marketing industry for both traditional and digital disciplines. In addition, Terrah is managing partner of TWG Investments, a real estate investment company in Metro Detroit.

Terrah is committed to lifelong learning and has a passion for building strong communities. She is currently developing and launching a mobile app, Tried & True, to create community and connect lives in professional sports.

Terrah is most importantly a woman of faith, dedicated to living with intention and serving others. She currently serves on the board of trustees at the New Orleans Museum of Art and the board of directors at the New Orleans Jazz Orchestra. Terrah is the wife of NBA Head Coach Willie Green and the mother of three amazing strong-willed children.



**Meredith Hale-Griffin**, a member of the YEP Board of Directors since 2023, is the founder of decantU, a company offering interactive events and seminars exploring how greater well-being can be found through the magic of wine and how wine can be part of a healthy lifestyle.

Meredith earned a master's degree in exercise science and wellness at Arizona State University and is a certified strength and conditioning coach with the National Strength and Conditioning Association. She started her post-graduate career as a college wellness instructor and sport performance coach. Simultaneously, she discovered a passion for wine after having the opportunity to spend time in Sonoma, California. Meredith has been involved with many non-profit organizations in a variety of roles, including the Ochsner Moonlight and Miracles Committee, Girls on the Run Coach, and Cleveland Clinic Children's Leadership Council, and Hospice of the Western Reserve Walk to Remember Committee.

Meredith and her husband, David Griffin, met in their hometown of Phoenix, Arizona.



**Stephanie November**, a native of Princeton, Kentucky, graduated from the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor of Arts in English. She and her husband, Pete, have lived in Louisiana since 2009.

Stephanie is an active member of St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church, where she serves as moderator of Presbyterian Women and chair of the Pastor Nominating Committee. Stephanie also serves on the board of directors of the Hilliard Art Museum and the Lambeth House Foundation. She is a member of the Orleans Club and the Greater New Orleans Foundation Impact 100 and is a co-chair of The Curtain Call Ball 2024 to benefit Le Petit Theatre.

Stephanie has a background in annual fund and major gifts fundraising for universities and private schools and has served as president of the Newman Parents Association. Lifelong Kentucky Wildcats fans, Stephanie and Pete have a daughter who recently graduated from college and lives in New York, and a son, a senior at the University of Kentucky.

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