



In the Spotlight

Nancy McGowan, one of the JC's newest board members, is a multi-talented lady who brings enthusiasm and a wide variety of experience to this organization.

One of six children born in Washington, DC, she grew up in a close-knit family surrounded by politics and sports. Her father, Scotty Peek, was Administrative Assistant to Sen. George Smathers (Fla.) and a campaign manager for John F. Kennedy, and her older sister was sworn in last month as a Florida Middle District Federal Bankruptcy judge. Nancy earned a Political Science degree from UF and served as a U.S. Senate legislative intern in Washington on two different occasions.



Married to Ted since 1983 (he is Executive Director of Reynolds' Park Yacht Center and Reynolds Industrial Park, and is President-elect of the Clay County Chamber of Commerce), she is the busy mother of five very active children. She's served on PTA boards, been a lector at her church for 25 years, served on the Liturgy Committee for five years and was commissioned twice as a Respect Life Coordinator by the Diocese of St. Augustine. She is currently Legislative Chairman for the Republican Women's Club of Duval Federated, member of the Republican Executive Committee of Duval County, president-elect of San Jose Country Club Swim Team 2006 and was appointed to the Public Safety Policy Team of CFO Tom Gallagher in his bid for governor of Florida.

Nancy's hobbies include interior design, physical fitness, reading, writing and gardening. She loves slalom water skiing, snow skiing and horseback riding, but her favorite pastime is cheering for her children in their various sports, especially swimming. She loves Florida Gator football and country music, and her heroes are Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II. Her favorite columnists are Dave Barry and Thomas Sowell, her favorite motto: "When principle is at stake, be deaf to expediency."

Believing the Justice Coalition's mission is a worthy cause, she feels that if any effort she makes brings consolation or justice to innocent victims of violent crime, she will have contributed something worthwhile to the community of Jacksonville.

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