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### **USA TODAY/NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR LESLIE GLASS TO SPEAK AT WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL LUNCHEON**

SARASOTA, Fla. (January 26, 2010) – The Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County proudly announces Leslie Glass as the upcoming keynote speaker at the Women's Leadership Council (WLC) luncheon on Monday, February 8, 2010. The luncheon will be held at Michael's on East from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Leslie Glass is the author of 15 novels, including the *USA Today/New York Times* bestselling series of nine suspense novels featuring NYPD Sergeant April Woo. Leslie has been writing since she was ten. She is a screenwriter, playwright, independent film producer, and host of the new e-magazine, *Ilovequitters.com*. In her non-profit life, she serves on many boards and began her own grant-making foundation in 1990.

Attorney Anne Weintraub, WLC Chair, says that "Leslie Glass is not only an excellent author but another example of the many fine women who reside in Sarasota." For the past two years, The Women's Leadership Council has been hosting quarterly speaker luncheons. "The luncheons are truly a win-win as the proceeds support the boys and girls of our community. Everyone who attends leaves inspired," continues Weintraub. WLC has raised more than \$10,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs to help fund various programs and activities for underprivileged children.

In addition to hearing Leslie speak, guests will have the first opportunity to purchase her new novel, *Sleeper* before it hits newsstands—100% of the proceeds from book sales at the luncheon benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County.

#### **About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County:**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County have played an integral role in the Sarasota County community for 40 years, providing daily programs and services to more than 8,000 young people. The Mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.

#### **About the Women's Leadership Council:**

Women who serve as ambassadors for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County to impart the Clubs' mission to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.