

# Girl's mission goes beyond book

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**POWDER SPRINGS** — Brooklyn Wright, 8, of Powder Springs, has been a one-girl environmental force since authoring her first book in 2010 about protecting the Earth.

Brooklyn has rubbed shoulders with heavyweights in the environmental movement, such as Laura Turner Seydel and Ed Begley Jr., appeared on television and received a national award from Keep America Beautiful for her litter prevention work, placing second out of 1,100 organizations. The Captain Planet Foundation honored her with its Superhero for the Earth award.

The book, titled "The Adventures of the Earth Saver Girl, Don't be a Litterbug," chronicles an ordinary girl named Layla, who learns she has super powers, and her mission to rid the Earth of litter as Earth Saver Girl. The book recently launched the nonprofit, Earth Saver Girl

Organization, created to empower children to protect the environment.

On Saturday, the organization and Team Nissan of Marietta teamed up for a free, family event to celebrate the Earth at the Ron Anderson Recreation Center in Powder Springs. There were interactive, educational games, food and music. Nissan also showcased its new Leaf electric car at the second Day with Earth Saver Girl event.

Brooklyn, dressed in her trademark blue and green Earth Saver Girl superhero costume, complete with a mask and cape, remained in character as she informed visitors about the importance of protecting the planet.

The purpose of Earth Saver Girl is "to rid the Earth of trash and pollution by going to schools and clubs, and talking about how litter is bad for the Earth," said Brooklyn, a Still Elementary School student.

The highlight of Saturday's outdoor event was a 20-member flash mob com-

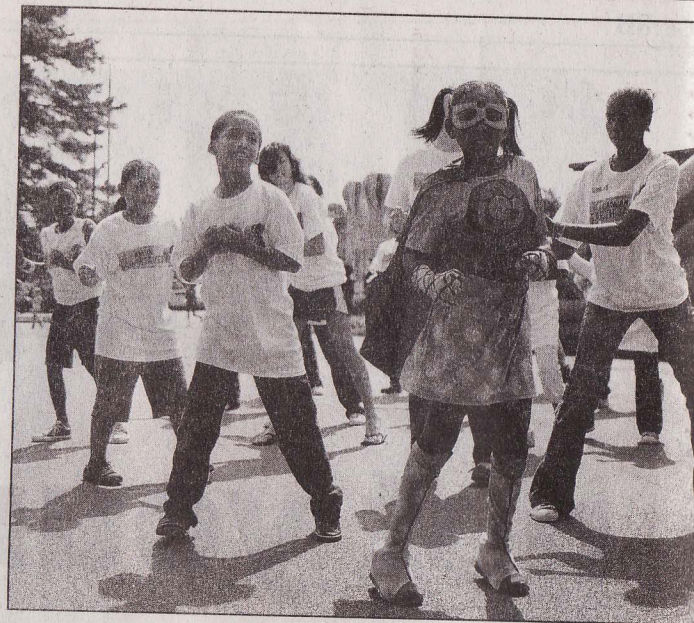
posed of Brooklyn and her friends, who performed to Michael Jackson's 1995 "Earth Song."

Nicole Woods, 13, of Powder Springs, said the group practiced for five straight Saturdays. She said she joined the flash mob to support her friend, Brooklyn.

Wayne Parker of Team Nissan of Marietta, which sponsored the event, said the new Leaf car and Earth Saver Girl were a natural fit to come together and promote ways of making the environment cleaner.

Brooklyn's mother, Kelly Wright, said her daughter's book received so much positive feedback when it was published that they decided to expand outreach activities and step up the branding of Earth Saver Girl. There's now an Earth Saver Girl website, blog, clothing, bookmarks, stickers and glow-in-the-dark bracelets.

"She goes to different schools and she teaches kids about litter prevention and going 'green,'" said Kelly.



Staff/Todd Hu  
Team Nissan of Marietta and the Earth Saver Girl organization sponsored a family earth friendly event on Saturday afternoon at the Ron Anderson Recreation Center. **Above:** Earth Saver Girl, Brooklyn Wright, 8, daughter of Kelly Wright of Powder Springs, leads a group of kids in a flash mob dance to get the crowd excited.