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Three wonderful ladies whose list of contributions to our community is incredibly long will be honored by the Junior League of Oklahoma City during its Legacy & Legends Celebration on March 23.

Beth Kerr, Barbara Eskridge and Polly Nichols are the three Junior League members who will be recognized during the celebration from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Vast, atop Devon Energy Center.

Kerr will receive the Sustainer of the Year Award for recent or current achievements within three years in service to the community.

Eskridge will receive the Mary Baker Rumsey Lifetime Achievement Award, named for the Oklahoma City Junior League's founder and first president.

Her son, Joseph Rumsey, funded the award through the Oklahoma City Community Foundation to honor his mother.

Nichols will be presented with the President's Spirit of Commitment Award, given to those who have demonstrated significant volunteer achievement and commitment to the community throughout her lifetime.

"The Legacy and Legends Celebration is, in many ways, our most important event of the Junior League year," Junior League President Sara Sweet said in a news release.

The Junior League is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing members' potential and improving the community through action and leadership of trained volunteers.

For details or to buy tickets, go to www.jloc.org.

Don't miss

Make it a point to visit the Oklahoma City Museum of Art during the final days of its exhibit of pages from the entirely handwritten and beautifully illustrated St. John's Bible, commissioned by St. John's Abbey and University in Collegeville, Minnesota. The exhibit, "Sacred Words: The Saint John's Bible and the Art of Illumination," which I've written about before, is rich with history, art, meaning, inspiration and both modern and ancient spiritual texts. For information, go to www.okcmoa.com or www.saintjohnsbible.org. It leaves the museum Jan. 8.

If you go to the museum at 415 Couch Dr. on New Year's Eve with your children, stop by and make a festive popper to pop for the new year. This activity from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday is part of the weekly Drop-In Art project. Learn more about other New Year's Eve festivities, including Opening Night events, on the museum website or by calling 405-236-3100.

Lillie-Beth Brinkman is handling Joan Gilmore's Around Town column while she is on leave. Send press releases and information to lbsbok@gmail.com, or request her mailing address.

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