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OKLAHOMA CITY

President's Letter



Whitney Tero

Dear League Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a very blessed holiday season. I can't believe 2012 is here, and we have embarked on the last half of our League year. We have had an amazing year so far, and have so much more to accomplish. We need you!

The Nominating Committee did an amazing job of slating next year's Board of Directors, and will continue selecting incoming leaders for 2012-2013. I encourage you to express your interest in an appointed position to Gina Burchfiel, Nominating Chair. We need you!

Our January General Meeting will be held on January 24th, and will feature an amazing speaker, Anne Barab from Dallas, TX. Her richly interesting programs teach people how to craft resilient, robust, juicy lives of significance. Her core message helps people learn how to: balance work, home, and relationships; thrive in times of change; put stress in the past tense; and think like a leader. I hope to see all of you there, so we can share Anne's inspiring message. Additionally, we will be voting on our slate of incoming Board members. We need you!

I look forward to our February General Meeting, as it is our annual community fair. We will celebrate our partner agencies and projects, both new and old. Please make every effort to share in JLOC's contributions to Oklahoma City in the effort to fight illiteracy, and learn about our diverse projects at this meeting. We need you!

As we enter 2012, I want to thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the Junior League of Oklahoma City. My wish for each of you is peace, joy, health and prosperity this year.

Gratefully,
Whitney Tero
2011-2012 President

MISSION
The Junior League of Oklahoma City, Inc is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

VISION
The Junior League of Oklahoma City, Inc. will empower volunteers to impact our community and enrich lives.

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Changing Lives Through Literacy



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ON THE COVER: The Oklahoma History Center, Oklahoma City (photography by Steven Walker).

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Put Stress in the Past Tense

Attend the January meeting to find out how

Would results improve if your people were: More resilient? More adaptable? More resourceful? More positive? Anne Barab is rumored to be the lost love child of Mark Twain and Lucille Ball for her wit and wisdom. Her richly interesting programs teach people how to craft resilient, robust, juicy lives of significance. Her

core message helps people learn how to: *Balance work, home, and relationships; Thrive in times of change; Put stress in the past tense; Think like a leader.*

Anne's business experience is wide-ranging. She worked her way through college in telecommunications then moved into insurance, banking and financial services. She busted the glass ceiling when she became the first female Chief Operating Officer of a \$1 billion mortgage bank. Along the way, Anne branched out into public policy-making as an elected official when she served three terms on the board of a large school district in Dallas, Texas. Her very diverse district was named one of the Top 100 school districts in the nation in a study conducted by The Wall Street Journal. She earned the Master Trustee designation from the Texas Association of School Boards

WHAT MAKES YOU SMILE ABOUT JLOC?

"My amazing friends in JLOC make me smile."

—WHITNEY TERO

REMARKABLE SHOP QUOTA!

All active members were required to turn Remarkable Shop quota by December 1, 2011. If you have not brought your merchandise to the store, please do so immediately. The Remarkable Shop relies heavily on your wonderful donations. In addition, those who have already brought in quota donations have been given credit and this should be reflected on your JLOC member page.

If you made a donation and you have not received your quota credit, please contact RS Quota Chair Rebecca Farris at farrisra@yahoo.com. When bringing your items, please remember The Remarkable Shop has new hours: **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11 am to 7 pm; Thursday 11 am to 9 pm; and Saturday 10 am to 5 pm.** Thanks in advance for your donations!



Anne Barab

leadership program and completed over 450 hours of board training.

In her ten year membership in Toastmasters she has earned Distinguished Toastmaster and is only the 11th woman in the world to achieve the Accredited Speaker designation. She was the first Toastmaster in over 25 years to give the closing keynote at the 2007 Toastmaster International convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

Ten years ago Anne accepted her calling to become a motivational and inspirational speaker for audiences around the world. She's written two books and numerous articles about education and family living. However, her greatest claim to fame is being married for 37 long years to the same engineer, having three children who are not currently in jail, and being voted Best Smelling Mom by her son's first grade.



Over 30 past presidents filled the History Museum for a luncheon



Dannie Bea Hightower, Carolyn Mee & Gayle Semtner



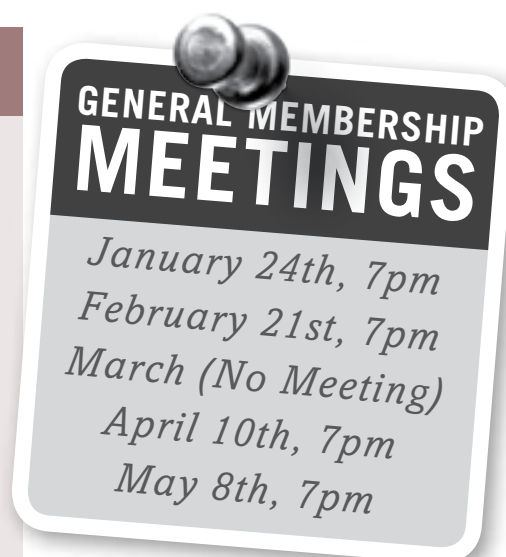
Jeary Seikel explains the features of the history project

PAST PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON

On October 17th over 30 past presidents of the Junior League of Oklahoma City came together for an annual luncheon at the Oklahoma History Center. A special treat at this luncheon was the unveiling of the JLOC interactive kiosk and exhibit honoring the history and contributions of the JLOC women in the community.



Helen Ford Wallace, Barbara Thompson & Ann Cameron





Born in November entertained during the Preview Party



Courtney Steward, Karen Eagleston and Cyone Harris



Congratulations to the Mistletoe Market decorations committee for turning the Cox Convention Center into a pink and silver winter wonderland

Record-Breaking Market

BY KAREN EAGLESTON / FINANCIAL INFO PROVIDED BY BRANDY PARSONS

This year's Mistletoe Market at our new venue, the Cox Convention Center was a big success! Thank you to all of the Mistletoe Market Board and Committee members, vendors, and JL volunteers who worked so hard to make the event so fabulous! The final numbers will be revealed at the January General Meeting, so be sure to attend! Check out some of the highlights below:

- A record-breaking 673 shoppers attended the Preview Party Thursday night
- 7,412 General Admission tickets were

sold, but there were over 9,720 shoppers over the weekend!

- \$8,110 was raised this year with the gift card raffles and auction vs. \$3,748 in 2010 for drawings and the wine pull.

- 120 vendors participated which is an increase from 2010

- The vendor's increased booth size brought in an additional \$30,000 in income over 2010 (that's more than a 16% increase!)

Thank you again for all of your support and making this year's Market so amazing!

REMARKABLE SHOP GRAND RE-OPENING A SUCCESS!

After months of planning and a complete make-over, the Remarkable Shop debuted its new look at a Grand Re-Opening Party on Thursday, November 10, 2011. Over 80 people enjoyed the shop's new look and tons of new merchandise! Provisional and Remarkable Shop board members worked tirelessly leading up to the event painting, putting up new fixtures, placing merchandise and making the shop look wonderful for the event.

"The refurbishment was undertaken to maximize floor space so more inventory could be made available to our customers", E'Shaina Harned, Remarkable Shop Chair, said. "We tried to create a better shopping experience for our current customers while expanding our inventory to draw in new business. We have something for everyone, up-cycled items for

the eco conscious, rare vintage pieces for the trendy, local boutique closeouts for the bargain shopper and the list goes on."

The first 50 guests received reusable tote bags with goodies and coupons inside the bags. Participants were also able to bid on various silent auction items and buy raffle tickets for salon services, restaurant gift certificates and tickets to upcoming events. With the merchandise sold and auction items closed out, the shop can expect to net about \$2,000 in revenue.

"The Remarkable Shop Board would really like to thank this year's Provisional class for all their hard work leading up to the re-opening," Harned said. "So many of the girls worked for hours painting and decorating. Our success was a direct result of their hard work!"

Harned continued, "We would also like to thank

the merchants and individuals around Oklahoma City who donated auction and raffle items. Their generosity made our event spectacular!"



▲ Kristi Leonard, Margaret Brooks, Annie Brown and Becca Fike



Jennifer Harrison and Michael Hardt
to be wed September 15, 2012

Nearly-weds



Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Haggard,
married November 19, 2011

Newly-weds

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JLOC History Comes to Life

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF OKLAHOMA CITY'S KIOSK IS NOW OPEN AT THE OKLAHOMA HISTORY CENTER

After countless hours of preparation and planning, the Junior League of Oklahoma City's interactive kiosk and exhibit at the Oklahoma History Center is now open. The exhibit opened on Monday, October 17 and will be on display for 5 years.

The kiosk documents the League's history and more than 80 years of contributions of the JLOC women in the community.

This project was created in partnership with the Oklahoma History Center. "More than 200,000 people visit the Oklahoma History Center each year, and this is a tremendous way for the Junior League to portray its history and the enormous impact its members have made in the Oklahoma City community," said JLOC past President Ann Stephenson Cameron. The project is a comprehensive compilation of Junior League projects, members and community partners dating back to 1927.

The organization's first project was the construction of the Walnut Grove Community Center that served approximately 55 children by providing health care, clothing, arts and crafts, books and community field trips. Junior League women held fundraisers in order to pay for those programs, quickly becoming well-respected community leaders. In the following eight decades, Junior League members have given their time and talents toward efforts to improve the city; donating thousands of hours in the area of Arts, Advocacy, Children & Families, Community Relief, Education, Health and Literacy.

The kiosk and exhibit are located on the 3rd floor of the Oklahoma History Center. Bring the entire family and show them what you are a part of. There is so much to see and hear so allow for plenty of time. Hours of operation are Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm. The Oklahoma History Center is located at 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, just east of the state



Jeary Seikel enjoys the interactive kiosk and exhibit

Captiol.

Thank you to committee members: Ann Cameron, Kris Frankfurt, Sue Ann Hyde, Peg Malloy, Jeary Seikel, Barbara Thompson, and Beth Wells, Chair.

GRANT WRITING 101

THANK YOU TO LISA MCCONNELL AND THE GRANT WRITING COMMITTEE FOR PUTTING TOGETHER A WONDERFUL INTRODUCTION AT THE GRANT WRITING LUNCH AND LEARN. JILL GREENE, DID A WONDERFUL JOB WALKING THROUGH THE INS AND OUTS OF APPLYING FOR GRANTS, AND SEVERAL TIPS TO MAKE YOUR GRANT APPLICATION STAND OUT. WE HAD A GREAT ATTENDANCE OF JLOC MEMBERS, FRIENDS, COWORKERS, AND PARTNER AGENCIES.

BALLIET'S FALL Social

► Members help out at the sign in table at Balliet's



On November 1st, Balliet's hosted the Junior League of Oklahoma City for a wonderful night of fashion and beauty. League members enjoyed a 20% discount on all merchandise and cosmetics in the store. Cafe 501 provided champagne, wine, appetizers, and desserts for

the special event. We are thankful for the continued support Balliet's shows the Junior League. Each attendee was able to shop her heart out, and leave with a Balliet's anniversary gift bag.

◀ Members enjoy shopping and socializing at Balliet's



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JLOC Makes US Smile

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



▲ Provisionals catch up at the November meeting.



◀ Michelle Powers and Clair Dowers-Nichols enjoy the membership appreciation meeting.



► Great job to the Membership board for such a fun themed meeting.



▲ Alexis Lux sits at the transfer table awaiting other transfer members.



◀ Tracey Frederick, Leah Harroz and Sheena Karami are all smiles.



▼ Amy Cook and Kasey Cockrell enjoy their time together.



▲ President Whitney Tero and Christi Coyle check out the black and yellow decor.

{LIKE} THE REMARKABLE SHOP ON FACEBOOK!

The Remarkable Shop now has its own Facebook page! If you're a Facebook member, please "like" our page – "The Remarkable Shop". This new page is a great way to keep up with our sales and new merchandise that arrives weekly!!



HOLIDAY SLEIGH RIDES

WHAT A PERFECT WAY TO KICK OFF THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT! HOLIDAY MUSIC PLAYED IN THE BACKGROUND WHILE FAMILIES ENJOYED COLORING HOLIDAY PICTURES, AND WRITING LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS. MEMBERSHIP COLLECTED COATS AND TOYS FOR THE REMARKABLE SHOP AND OTHER COMMUNITY PROJECTS. OKLAHOMA PREMIER CARRIAGE COMPANY ESCORTED JLOC FAMILIES ON A HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDE TO LOOK AT CHESAPEAKE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS. UPON RETURNING TO HEADQUARTERS FAMILIES WARMED UP WITH HOT COCOA AND COOKIES AND ENJOYED THE BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS. THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS ON TLDC THAT CONTINUE TO MAKE THIS A WONDERFUL JLOC HOLIDAY TRADITION.

UPCOMING TRAININGS AND SOCIALS

Events and trainings for the new year-- please stay tuned to Monday emails for times and dates:

- NEW YEAR, NEW YOU: Several upcoming fitness trainings to help you jump start your fitness goals
- WHAT IS GOING ON IN THIS MEETING? Understanding parliamentary procedures
- DIGITAL CHEETAH TRAINING: How to navigate and effectively use the JLOC website
- COUPONING 101: How to get the most out of store sales and coupons
- SELF DEFENSE SEMINAR
- COOKING CLASSES
- SOCIAL MEDIA 101
- MANAGING MEETING MINUTES



Food and Wine Tasting

What a fun night learning the basics of food and wine from resident wine expert Tracey Frederick. Attendees played with food and wine pairings, while Tracey explained several terms of wine. There were great questions and a lot of laughing. We learned what to pair with holiday meals, what temperature to serve wine, how many bottles to buy for a party, and why box wine isn't necessarily a bad thing! Cheers!

Profile

[people]

Our ODI Experience



by Kristin Packnett & Pam Gutel

Being able to attend ODI in Orlando this fall was an incredible opportunity. It was a time of training, reflection, call to action, and the chance to meet new Junior League friends from across the country and London. It was also an opportunity to get to know my fellow JLOC member, Pam Gutel! It's interesting how each Junior League chapter differs from one another,

learning more about the history of The Junior League, we learned how closely it is linked to diversity and inclusion. The Junior League depends on membership of strong, inspirational, and capable women and we need to appeal to the next generation of leaders. Diversity leads to creativity and productivity, and building inclusive Leagues means creating environments where every member feels equally welcomed and valued.

Over the three days of ODI training, we also participated in concentration courses and breakout sessions. I attended the Membership Development workshops that facilitated discussions on creating future community leaders. We also focused on ways to create lifelong members. As a group, we agreed that effective communication, participating in a well-run League, personal development and growth, developing skills, and meaningful community work were the key fac-

“Who wouldn’t want to support such an amazing organization that gives back so much to Oklahoma City?”

—Pam Gutel

from different Provisional responsibilities to varying areas of focus. Each chapter is truly unique, yet the mission of the League remains throughout each chapter, no matter what.

ODI is a venue that allows women from different chapters to gather together and share ideas and methods that really work and are beneficial for their members. It's also a venue that offers encouragement and possibilities to those Leagues in need of new best practices.

A major theme throughout the weekend was ‘Moving Toward Diversity and Inclusion’. The Junior League chapters are encouraged to develop promising practices for diversity and inclusion, by implementing proactive efforts to engage diverse membership and effectively serve diverse communities. Upon



Pam Gutel



Member Kristin Packnett attends ODI in Orlando, FL.

tors that keep Junior League members satisfied and prepared for community leadership roles.

My ODI training was a reminder of all the opportunity and development that is available with JLOC. I'm thankful to be a part of our League, and grateful for the opportunity to attend ODI this year.

Echoing Kristin's comments, it was an awesome experience to represent our League at ODI. I truly enjoyed hearing the national perspective and having the opportunity to learn best practices from other Leagues across the country.

I sat through the Fund Development concentrated sessions and experienced several “a-ha” moments. But, the one that resonated with me the most was when we explored the three main components of the League's mission:

*Promoting volunteerism
Developing the potential of women
Improving communities*

Even though I've heard the mission many times, I've always thought we needed to just promote the community work we do to solicit donations. The community work is vital, but that isn't the whole story. We promote volunteerism, which has an economic impact because it increases the capacity of nonprofit organizations. Additionally, we train the best and brightest women in our city to be civic leaders. Now, I look at our annual campaign with fresh eyes and think, “Who wouldn't want to support such an amazing organization that gives back so much to Oklahoma City?”

I am honored that I was able to represent the Junior League of Oklahoma City on a national scale, and am look forward to applying what I learned to future League work.

ACHIEVEMENTS

CONGRATS

TO

MANDI BRIGGS &
AMANDA KIRKPATRICK

FOR RECEIVING THE

30/30
NEXT GENERATION
AWARD

SLATED 2012-2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee and the Board of Directors are proud to announce the slated board of directors for the 2012-2013 year.

KRISTEN BROWN
PRESIDENT ELECT

PAM GUTEL
ADMINISTRATIVE VP

SARA SWEET
BYLAWS CHAIR

ADRIENNE NOBLES
COMMUNICATIONS VP

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COMMUNITY VP

MEI CHENG
FINANCE VP

ASHLEY JACKSON
FUNDRAISING VP

KRISTI LEONARD
MEMBERSHIP VP

CHRISTI COYLE
NOMINATING CHAIR

HELEN FORD WALLACE
*SUSTAINING ADVISOR

*Does not have to be voted on so not really slated, she is Sustaining Advisor



Today, I share my language with others.



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Hazel Lopez-Crutchter,
Primary & Lower Division Spanish Teacher

Katherine Cadzow,
Casady Student, Class of 2019

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Hazel Lopez-Crutchter enjoys watching her students' faces light up as they learn to express themselves in Spanish – students like Katherine Cadzow of Norman. An aspiring violinist, Katherine is captivated by what she calls the ‘musicality’ of language. She may not know that learning a second language is important to her cognitive development. She just knows she loves it.

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MEMBER BLOGS

LIZA CRYDER

New to the League Link this year is a feature that seeks to highlight the numerous JLOC members – Provisionals, Actives and Sustainers – who have started their own blogs. Each month a JLOC “blogger” will be interviewed so that members can be made aware of the blog and gain an understanding of what the blog is all about, its motivation and audience. We hope all members will enjoy this new feature, and we ask that you send blog recommendations that you would like to see profiled to Liza Cryder – liza.cryder@gmail.com. The more recommendations the better! We don’t want to leave anyone out.



BLOGGER: LAURA STEEN (A) BLOG: http://lauraandconnersteen.blogspot.com/

When did you launch your blog?
2009. I saw that one of my favorite websites featured a ‘blogger’ and when I realized I could start my own for free, I was hooked!

What is your blog about/What does your blog focus on?
I like to write about all things home décor, DIY and design inspired. The title of the blog is, “The Steen Style,” for pretty much that exact reason – it is all about the style of our life and how we’re changing our home to match our style. I’ll also post random recipes, fashion inspirations and anything else that catches my eye since that makes up the style of my life as well.

What motivated you to start a blog?
At first, this was a way to keep in

contact with my family. We are all so busy it seemed like a good way to keep in touch and tell them about our week. When that wasn’t as productive or interesting as I first thought, I started posting more about my hobbies that included DIY projects and being crafty. In 2010, our first house went up for sale in January and we purchased our second home in June, it followed our journey through the trials and triumphs of selling and buying a home. Now I post about our projects as we update our new house, inside and out.

What is the most challenging aspect of writing a blog and what is the most fun?
Definitely the most challenging aspect is finding the time to write posts. I still have a ‘real’ job - unfortunately I haven’t made it to the paid blogger

status yet – so I have to find time to think of a new post and write it up. Since most of my blog focuses on before and after projects, I have to find time to do the project, take pictures and then write all about it.

The most fun aspect is definitely seeing and hearing reader’s reactions. I used to have one follower (my husband, because I signed him up so I wouldn’t look completely ridiculous with zero followers) but now I have more and it is great hearing feedback from people I do and don’t know! Through these comments and conversations, I have started friendships with other fellow DIY-enthused bloggers...so fun! The most flattering thing of all was seeing a project I worked on get ‘pinned’ on Pinterest. It was a huge thrill for me and now people contact me to make the

same thing for their home! The Internet is crazy.

Who do you hope your blog reaches?
I hope the people reading enjoy all things home as much as I do. I hope I inspire someone to be creative and think outside of the box for his/her own home. My most controversial post to date (if that’s even possible with such a non-political blog topic) was when I talked about fake ivy people use on top of kitchen cabinets, bookshelves, etc. I got SO much feedback – both good and bad – it was hysterical! I made some friends and family members mad (whoops, forgot people I know read the blog too) but I think they got over it because then I got questions on what to use to replace the empty spots where the ivy used to be...hah!

LITTLE LEAGUERS

“Babies are always more trouble than you thought - and more wonderful.”—Charles Osgood



Estey James Edwards
Born on March 6, 2011
Parents are John & Sarah Edwards



Henning Webb Soderberg
Born on May 12, 2011
Parents are Grant & Amanda Soderberg



Wyatt Rex Blassingame
Born on August 8, 2011
Parents are Johnny Blassingame & Kimberly Greenlee



Luke Johnson DeFehr
Born on September 1, 2011
Parents are Grant & Summer DeFehr



MEMBERSHIP

TWO MONTHS

Report

DECEMBER

TRANSFER IN
Julie Storm (A) (Phoenix, AZ)
Jennifer Moore (A) (Midland, TX)

TRANSFER OUT (PENDING)
Annie Nagle (A) (Boston, MA)

LOA
Berna Goetzinger (A)
LOA
Piper Cleveland (A)

CONDOLENCES
Family of Jan Johnson on her passing
Sally Bentley and her family on Steve Bentley’s passing

NOVEMBER

REINSTATEMENT
Deborah Senner (S)

TRANSFER OUT
Kathryn Simon (P) (Denver, CO)
Julie Mitchell (P) (Austin, TX)
Danielle Vollmar (A) (Dallas, TX)

TRANSFER IN PENDING
Jennifer Moore (A) (Midland, TX)

LOA
Susan Seymore (A)
Sommer Skinner (A)

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Star and ABC Award Winners

Great job ladies and thank you for all your hard work!!



Congratulations to the following members for all their hard work and receiving the Star and ABC awards!

MISTLETOE MARKET BOARD

OCTOBER ABC AWARD

The Mistletoe Market Board spent an entire year planning for the 2011 Mistletoe Market. Everything about this year's Market was unpredictable thanks to moving to a new venue, but this Board handled all the unknowns with humor and grace. Did our volunteers have to pay for parking? Nope. Were the public bathrooms scary? Huh uh. Did our customers have trouble finding us? Not at all! 2011 marked a new chapter for the Mistletoe Market, and we owe its success to the hard work and dedication of the Mistletoe Market Board.



HILLARY FARRELL

SEPTEMBER ABC AWARD

Hillary Farrell is a wonderful asset to the Junior League. As PR Chair, Hillary shows great leadership and organization skills to help keep the JLOC in the media. She is an instrumental part of getting the media to many of our projects, Mistletoe Market and to the Remarkable Shop. Hillary is a great leader and teaches her committee how to write effective press releases. She has also secured the JLOC a free ad in Slice magazine. Thank you, Hillary for all of your hard work.



REJEANA ALLGOOD

FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT VICE CHAIR
OCTOBER ABC AWARD

Rejeana Allgood coordinated every aspect of the Financial Development's Mistletoe Market booth. She ordered a wide variety of cookbooks to attract holiday shoppers. She also secured a donation from Oklahoma Restaurant Supply for shelving and cooking supplies to help decorate the kitchen-themed booth. Rejeana, truly went Above and Beyond the Call of Duty benefiting not only her Committee, but also the image of the Junior League.

THE STAR AWARD

IS GIVEN TO SOMEONE IN A COMMUNITY PLACEMENT WHO DESERVES SPECIAL TREATMENT AND RECOGNITION



LINDSAY CHOATE

OCTOBER STAR AWARD

HELPED WITH HOSPITALITY AT MMKT- ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL, MB@LG, STRATEGIC PLANNING MB@LG, YWCA FINANCIAL LITERACY

Lindsay deserves special recognition for helping with the MM Hospitality committee this year. Even though it was her first time on this committee, she never let her "newness" stop her, as she was willing to do whatever it took to get the job done and help make this year's Vendor Dinner a success! From the first meeting Allison Timberlake, held in May until Market she attended everything, responded to every email and phone call. She had many obstacles to overcome and fought through all of them to make the entire vendor dinner run so seamlessly there was nothing to worry about at all. She organized her own small committee group and held them accountable to achieve her goal of feeding 200 people with food to spare. Lindsay embodies the spirit of volunteerism that is paramount in Junior League members, and offers a great example of how volunteering means giving 100% of yourself to the cause!



LESLIE SCHUPPAN

SEPTEMBER STAR AWARD

HEALTH LITERACY

Laurel Hall, PM for Health Literacy, asked Leslie if she could spend an hour at headquarters cutting giant rolls of yoga mat material into child-sized yoga mats for donation to Johnson Elementary. Not only did she agree to help, but she stayed for three hours to finish the job. Leslie has been a dedicated and passionate member of this project committee for at least two years. She is so invested in the welfare of the children that we serve that one of the teachers at Johnson asked Leslie to consider adopting one of the little girls in her class! Volunteers like Leslie, who do so much more than just "show-up" deserve our recognition and admiration. Thanks!

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Regan Raff

BOARD MEMBER

How long have you been in the League?

2006-2007 was my Provisional year, so I am now in my 5th active year.

What is your current placement?

I am currently the Bylaws Chairman

What is your favorite part of being in the JLOC?

There are so many things – hard to pick just one – but I deeply value the friendships I have developed through my Junior League experience.

January is a time of resolutions. Do you have any for 2012 and if so, what are they?

I’m not a huge resolution-maker,

but I would like to start a fitness routine of some sort.

Do you have a favorite New Year’s Eve story?

My husband and I have been together since high school, so we’ve celebrated quite a few New Year’s Eve holidays. One in particular, though, stands out to me from our Senior year in high school. My husband, then boyfriend, worked as a valet at a restaurant and had to work late that evening. I don’t remember what prior plans I had made that evening, knowing that he was working, but I just remember wanting to be where he was. I canceled my plans and drove to his work and picked him up just a few minutes before midnight. We were driving as the clock turned midnight. There isn’t

anything in particular that stands out, but I just remember being so happy, and so smitten with the skinny boy in the red valet tuxedo! I was then, and still am today!

Do you eat black eyed peas on New Year’s Day? If so, do you have a special recipe to share?

Yes, we always eat black eyed peas! Here are two recipes – one is good ‘ole Oklahoma cooking, and the other is a great appetizer!

Valentine’s Day: love it or just another day?

I think it’s a sweet, romantic holiday, but we don’t go overboard or put too much stress on it.

What’s the best part about being in love?

Being in love teaches you to be unselfish and how to make sacrifices for others. Being in love allows you to find joy in their happiness. It brings a commitment and a sense of

security knowing that you have each other’s back no matter what life throws at you.

We often see snow in January and February, do you prefer building snowmen & playing in the snow or staying inside & sipping cocoa?

A little of both sounds perfect!

WHAT MAKES YOU SMILE ABOUT JLOC?

“Simply giving back to my community and all of the friends I have made through the league.”

—JULIE LECLERQ

BEANS AND CORNBREAD

- 1 pound black-eyed peas
- 1 onion, chopped
- 4-6 slices thick bacon (breakfast ham, salt pork, or ham hock can be substituted)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons pepper

Cover beans with water and soak overnight. I’m not exactly sure why you need to do this, but my grandma did it so I just repeat it and don’t ask questions!

Rinse beans in cool water; pour into a large pot, and cover with water by 2 to 3 inches. Add chopped bacon (or ham). Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and cover. Simmer at least 2 hours, or until beans are tender. Add water to pot as needed. Add seasonings, more or less to taste.

Serve with cornbread. Chopped jalapenos, Louisiana hot sauce or even fresh cilantro are also yummy additions!



Megan Owen

PROVISIONAL

How long have you been in the League?

Less than a year

What is your current placement?

The Remarkable Shop

What is your favorite part of being in the JLOC?

I have really enjoyed the friends I have made and I am eagerly looking forward to many different placements throughout the future!

January is a time of resolutions. Do you have any for 2012 and if so, what are they?

I have a resolution to start to be more of a morning person! I am perfectly pleasant in the morning, but I am guilty of loving to sleep in! I think by starting a routine of waking up earlier each morning I

can accomplish so many things to get the day going like a steady morning devotional time, meal prep and maybe even running... now we are getting REALLY ambitious!

Do you have a favorite New Year’s Eve story?

My senior year of college I was on the pom squad at Oklahoma State and we were playing in the Holiday Bowl in San Diego, CA right around New Years. My then boyfriend (now husband), his dad and one of his best friends road tripped to the game, spent the weekend in California and we all spent New Year’s Eve in the San Diego’s famous Gaslamp Quarter. I road tripped back with them in lieu of flying back with the team and we drove straight

from the coast all the way to Oklahoma. To this day they think I am the best girl “trooper” on road trips.

Do you eat black eyed peas on New Year’s Day? If so, do you have a special recipe to share?

I have a strict no black eyed peas policy on any day of the year.

Valentine’s Day: love it or just another day?

I think it depends where you are in life! I love it because my doll of a husband always does something very sweet and unexpected!

What’s the best part about being in love?

I have always been a best friend kind of girl and love the feeling of finding your ultimate best friend. The one who always laughs at your jokes, who loves you unconditionally, who tells you like it is and who will always lift you up when you’re down. When they say marry your best friend- they mean it!

Do you have a favorite snow memory? Please share.

On a football away trip to play University of Colorado, we were lucky enough to go on a one-day ski trip in Loveland, CO. Two of my best friends were on the squad with me and we are all pretty avid skiers. We followed some of the locals up to the top of the mountain and as soon as we got on the lift a huge snow storm started. Wind was blowing from all the directions and it was blowing from all different directions. The lift stopped and

we were stuck dangling above the top of the mountain freezing and we couldn’t see anything. As soon as we finally got off we tried to ski down the mountain but couldn’t even see your hand in front of your face. We all had bright orange jackets on and basically held onto each other’s poles so we could get down the mountain safely!

WHAT MAKES YOU SMILE ABOUT JLOC?

“I smile every time a veteran thanks me for coming to visit them at the VA hospital. I smile when I think about the young children at the daycare who not only loved being read to but wanted to sit on our laps and hug us and pat us and show us love. I smile when I think about all the women I’ve met over the years. Everyone is interesting and has unique gifts to share.”

—STERLING BARNET

Profile Hillary Farrell

ACTIVE

How long have you been in the League?

This is my fourth year...currently a third year active.

What is your current placement?

Public Relations Chair.

What is your favorite part of being in the JLOC?

The opportunity to impact the community while working with dynamic, intelligent, dedicated women of all ages.

January is a time of resolutions. Do you have any for 2012 and if so, what are they?

Not yet. Ask me again on new New Year's Eve.

Any New Year's Eve traditions?

Nothing specific. We typically find ourselves with good friends,

keeping it low key for the most part...avoiding the hoodlums who party hard once a year and consequently end up acting like idiots.

Do you eat black eyed peas on New Year's Day? If so, do you have a special recipe to share?

Yes, I do. (I also throw salt over my shoulder if I spill some and cross my dashboard if a black cat darts in front of my car... but, that's another story). Since I don't do much cooking...I have no special recipe...just warmed, straight from the can.

Valentine's Day: love it or just another day?

Love it. Even if Peter and I end up doing nothing particularly special, it is still a day to reflect on how we are each better individuals by way of being together.



What's the best part about being in love?

The unconditional, unrelenting support.

We often see snow in January and February, do you prefer building snowmen & playing in

the snow or staying inside & sipping cocoa?

I definitely prefer the cocoa (or hot cider)! Sara Sara has the best hot chocolate, by the way, I challenge anyone to find a tastier cup in town.

Stephanie Gannaway

TRANSFER ACTIVE

How long have you been in the League?

I have been in the Junior League since June of 2010. My provisional year was in the Junior League of Houston and I transferred to the Junior League of Oklahoma City in June of 2011.

What is your current placement?

My current placement is Cultural Literacy teaching children about different countries and cultures around the world. I have learned a few things myself and tried some interesting cuisine!

What is your favorite part of being in the JLOC?

My favorite part is getting to meet many wonderful, like-minded women while helping to make our community a better place.

January is a time of resolutions. Do you have any for 2012 and if so, what are they?

I don't generally make resolutions, but this year I do have a couple. In 2012, I'd like to read at least one novel each month. I love to read, but I just get too busy to sit down and read.

Do you have a favorite New Year's Eve story?

I do!! On New Year's Eve 2007, I had just finished getting ready and all dressed up for a party that night. I asked David, my boyfriend at the time, "How do I look??" He said to me, "You look great! But I think you're missing something!" I was a bit confused until he proceeded to get down on one knee, give me a ring and ask me to marry him! Of course I said yes and we had the best



time at the party with all of our friends sharing the great news!

Any New Year's Eve traditions?

My mom, also a Junior League member, is from New Orleans, so my family loves visiting Café du Monde and eating Beignets.

Growing up, my mom would get up early on New Year's Day and make Beignets for me and my two brothers. I'm going to try my hand at it this year!

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In Their Prime Time



By Deidra Olsen

igned to engage the senior population, Junior League's Prime Time placement is meeting the need. Previously known as Someone's Grandma, Prime Time meets with the residents of Saint Ann Retirement Center and leads craft nights focused on the League's literacy campaign.

Literacy through crafts has been a favorite at the center. Activities include a year-long writing project to create a "Life Book" that records the senior's life story in a scrapbook. Leaguers work with residents to build scrapbook pages and write out stories from their past, such as their childhood and wedding day.

"I think helping participants with the scrapbook about their lives is great

because it gives them a chance to tell us about important parts of their past and we are helping them to document those memories," said Randis Galloway, one of 11 Prime Time volunteers.

Almost all of the Saint Ann's participants return each month and friendships have formed.

"My favorite part of volunteering at Saint Ann's is working with a resident named Beverly Hill," said Randis. "I have gotten to know her over the last few months and she is so sweet and interesting. As we finish up our time together each month, she tells me how much fun she had and that she can't wait until our group comes back. I

look forward to visiting with her every time our group volunteers."

Prime Time also does seasonal projects



Randis Galloway and St. Ann resident Beverly Hill have fun scrapbooking

with the residents, decorating candy bowls for Halloween and making door wreaths for Christmas.

Natalie Fix is another Prime Time volunteer. "This is my favorite placement so far," she said. "I really enjoy going and visiting with the seniors. I think the interaction we provide is something they like and the activities we bring help engage them socially and mentally. And, I think we are learning from the residents as well. Hearing their stories, learning how far we've come in the last 80 years or so - especially the progress of women is pretty cool."

"The residents enjoy getting our undivided attention. For a few hours they get to share about themselves and relive old memories with all of us. It is all about them!" said Shannon Medley.

Prime Time is a great placement that every member should have a chance to experience.



Robyn Thompson helps decorate a Halloween candy bowl with a St. Ann resident



Ann's residents and Junior League members put together scrapbooks

Family Fun in the Zone

BY JENN TUPPS

Family Fun in the Zone is a fun and very rewarding placement! The Zone is located inside the The Children's Hospital at OU Medical Center. Essentially, the Zone is a place where sick children and their families can get away from all medically related issues and focus on having fun! Being in the hospital can be a frightening experience for a child, and the Zone is a safe (doctor-free) place where they can just focus on being a kid. The Zone is open daily with fun things for the children and their families to play with—like toys, Wii games, air hockey, and Rock Band!

Junior League Members in the Family Fun in the Zone placement help add some excitement to the Zone schedule. JLOC members either meet for daytime shifts or for evening shifts one to two times per month, with a total of 8 mandatory shifts over the course of the placement, which runs from September to April. A different League Member leads each shift, and that

Member is in charge of choosing the activity for her assigned shift. Some of the fun activities in the past have included a luau themed party, Halloween pumpkin painting, a superhero themed event, and even a birthday party to celebrate the Zone's birthday, complete with a performance by Eddie Spaghetti!

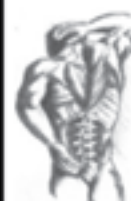
Our main goal in the Zone placement is to organize and plan events to liven up the evening for Children's Hospital patients and their families. It really is so rewarding, and parents often stop to say thank you before they head back up to their child's hospital room. They say that the events give their children something to look forward to, in between meetings with their doctors and the various medical tests they are subjected to. We want the children to focus on the fun activities and crafts that we have brought with us, rather than on their illness. While in the Zone, the children aren't our patients—they're our friends!

Patients enjoy drawing on the huge chalkboard located in The Zone



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Et Cetera

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Resolution Nominating News

By Gina Burchfiel



to do something.

If Internet research can be trusted, the celebration of the New Year is the oldest of all holidays. And while the date to which the “new year” is attributed has fluctuated over time and by region of the world, the cultures that follow the 365-day solar calendar (Julian Calendar) recognize January 1st as the day of new beginnings.

The tradition of New Year’s resolutions goes back to 153 B.C. when Janus, a mythical god of early Rome and for whom the month of January was named, was put at the head of the calendar. For the Romans, Janus was the god of gates and doors and beginnings and endings and had two faces, one with which he could look back and one with which he could look forward. Thus, it makes sense that

this became the holiday on which to both reflect and renew.

The JLOC calendar, of course, celebrates our “new year” on June 1 each year when our members begin their new placements or appointments, but the planning and contemplation for that starts as early as January. While we don’t want any current work to lose momentum, we know that a lot of forethought goes into each decision members make about their service with our organization. So, we’d like to make some promises to you, our membership, and to ask that you make promises to us as well.

The Nominating Committee resolves to:

- Put the very best woman possible into each appointed position.
- Keep the membership apprised of all appointed opportunities.
- Give each and every candidate fair and honest consideration.
- Live up to the challenge for which you elected us.

January						
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

We ask the membership to resolve to:

- Keep your electronic membership information (PRF) current - down to the last detail of education, work and skills/interests.
- Be aware of the opportunities to serve in-community and in-League.
- Self-submit for positions that are of interest.
- Give feedback to the Nominating Committee on what qualities or skills will be necessary for a particular position going forward, particularly if you are the current position holder.

We hope that as you look back, on the “half JLOC year” gone by, that you have fond memories of people served and friends made. We also hope that as you look forward those memories renew your resolve to stay connected in JLOC and to find a placement or appointment for the new JLOC year that will mean just as much or more! Happy New Year from the Nominating Committee!

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BY TIFFANY SILL

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irritate paw pads. Clean pads thoroughly after a trip outside.

Frequently check the ground around holiday trees. Ingested pine needles can puncture pets’ intestines.

Keep all tree ornaments, yarn, ribbon, and garlands well out of pets’ reach by hanging them high on the tree. Don’t use tinsel. If you have a tree-climbing cat or large dog, consider securing your holiday tree by anchoring the top of the tree to a wall using strong cord or rope.

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New Dues in 2012

There are some financial changes coming our way in the near future that I would like to let you know about. At the Association of Junior League International's (AJLI) Annual Conference in May, a motion was approved, per AJLI's request, to increase per capita dues by \$4 per person in 2012 and another \$4 per person in 2013. Per capita dues are collected during our annual dues process and remitted, on behalf of each member, to directly support AJLI. Much thought and discussion was given nationally and

locally on how this per capita dues increase would impact Junior Leagues of all sizes.

As a result of this increase, AJLI will provide all Junior League members with additional opportunities to gain cutting edge community and civic leadership development training, and access to best practices in creating issue-based community impact, non-profit governance, and more. Junior League members will have entry to this robust curriculum through multi-faceted delivery methods, including in-person conferences and meetings, as well as online and self-directed modules/webinars. In addition, AJLI will address other emerging community issues of importance to the collective Junior League community.

Several years ago, the Board of the

Junior League of Oklahoma City voted for the total dues of all of our members to increase automatically when AJLI dues were increased. Our annual dues process will begin in January of 2012, and with that you will see the following changes to total dues paid by Junior League of Oklahoma City members:

Base dues (as of Fiscal Year 2012-2013)	
Base dues (as of Fiscal Year 2013-2014)	
Active Members	\$119.00
Active Members	\$123.00
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Provisional Members	\$123.00
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I am happy to address any questions or concerns that you may have regarding this increase or any other League issues. Please feel free to contact me at whitneytero@cox.net or 405-401-6498.



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AN ACTIVE SPONSOR MUST

1. Have attended a minimum of four (4) General Meetings from September 2011 through March 2012, or three (3) General Meetings from September 2011 through March 2012 and one (1) Training course from September 2011 through March 2012.
2. Be in good standing on June 1, 2012.

A SUSTAINING SPONSOR MUST

1. Be in good standing on June 1, 2012.
The Lead Sponsor of the Sponsoring Team must review sponsor requirements online and attest that they have read and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the sponsor requirements form. Such sponsor requirements form can be found at www.JLOC.org or you can contact Jennifer Harrison, P.A.T. Chair at 405-974-0424.

All Sponsor Forms and Agreements, along

with a copy of a birth date confirmation document for the Prospective Provisional (ex: Driver's License, Birth Certificate, or Passport) are to be turned in at time of workshop or to Jennifer Harrison, P.A.T. Chair's Mailbox at JLOC Headquarters no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2012. Non-Resident Forms are to be turned in by Friday, January, 13, 2012 by 4:00 p.m. (earlier if possible). If you are sponsoring a Prospective Provisional who will immediately transfer to another League for her provisional year, please include a check for \$35 made to JLOC. This is an AJLI Transfer Fee.

DUTIES OF A SPONSOR

Your commitment to be a sponsor means that you will take on the responsibility of mentoring your Provisional through her 1st year in the League. You are critical in making her comfortable within the League at the beginning of her commitment. Below are a few suggestions we ask you to consider to make your Provisional's first year a success:
I will contact the other members of the sponsoring team and tell them my Provisional's name.
I will make sure that my Provisional receives

and understands the Provisional requirements.

I or another member of the sponsoring team will attend the Welcome Celebration and May General Meeting with our Prospective Provisional.

I will attempt to contact my Provisional once a month to check up on how she is doing and see that she is happy and enjoying her League experience.

Other ways in which I can help my Provisional to understand the Junior League:

I can drive her by the Remarkable Shop, show her around and introduce her to the staff.

I can drive her by Headquarters, show her around and introduce her to Linda.

I can share my Blackbook with her to show her how the League is structured.

I can call her after the Orientation meeting in April to see if she has any questions.

I can give her the names, phone numbers, and addresses of her other sponsors.

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