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President's Letter



Jill Greene

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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Dear League Friends,

What an exciting summer! The end of summer for most Junior League women marks the beginning of a new year of challenges, friendships and memorable moments for our volunteers, as well as for those in the community that we serve. Other volunteers within our League have worked tirelessly on projects already concluded. The Book Drive, led by project manager Jennifer Harrison, collected over 13,000 books. Wild Storytime at the OKC Zoo, led by project manager Susannah Bebee, impacted 1,186 kids at the Zoo. Back to School led by project manager Laurel Hall, gave 800 backpacks out to those that need them the most. When you see those project managers and the women that worked in those projects please give them a pat on the back for a job well done!

We had our first Community Impact Training in May. This evening gave our volunteers the opportunity to meet their project managers and each other, as well as hear about the details of their project. We heard from Julius Ibone, a young man that grew up in the Boys and Girls Club. He has worked with our volunteers in the reading club and is now on to Oklahoma State University. It is so rewarding to hear stories like Julius'. How awesome to see the outcome of some of our work. Sustainer Susie Graves was gracious to share her knowledge with us as to the best way for our community volunteers to conduct themselves in order to make their experience the most rewarding. Please share with me any stories we can pass along that demonstrate the difference we make in the community and those we serve.

This League year marks a few huge milestones for the Junior League of Oklahoma City. One is our League celebrating its 83rd year, our Remarkable Shop's 80th year, and in November we will celebrate over 1.5 million volunteer hours given back to our community by our volunteers during that time!

Mistletoe Market is right around the corner. We will open the doors to the community on October 8th and go through October 10th. Market Chair Wendy Mounger, the Market Board and committees have been working all year to make it a great success!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the September General Meeting, which is going to be fun and energizing. We will have an opportunity to hear from Darcie Harris who will give us some good advice on working with other women and leave us feeling great about the work we are doing. My goal for this meeting is to make you all want to come back to all of our General Membership Meetings! We are excited about our new venue for evening meetings, the Quail Creek Golf and Country Club. They have kindly waived the room fee to host us and we are so glad to be able to be there.

I am looking forward to working with this year's Board of Directors and all of our volunteers and community partners. I hope you are proud to serve in our League and are inspired to tell those around you of the work that the League does every year! Thank you for giving me the amazing opportunity to serve you all this year as your President!

Be Great!
Jill Greene
2010-2011 President

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Julie Haynes is happy to donate some of her favorite books to the JLOC Book Drive. Photography by Kim Haynes Photography

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General Meeting Kick Off with Dynamic Speaker

By Jill Greene

September General Meeting will inspire you and get our year off to a great start!! Not only will you receive your Black Book and hear the latest Mistletoe Market news, but you will also have the opportunity to hear from a wonderful speaker, Darcie Harris. Darcie is a business consultant, mentor, coach, champion, and advocate for female business owners and executives. She will talk to us about how to make the best out of working with other women!

As an accomplished speaker, consultant, facilitator and trainer, Darcie finds the fulfillment of her own dreams by encouraging women to think big, pursue their passions and achieve their personal best. In particular, she enjoys teaching

leadership skills to women at all stages in their careers, giving them the encouragement, confidence, and inspiration to grow.

Prior to launching EWF International, Darcie managed a 24 hour a day crisis helpline with a staff of five and 250 volunteers. Under her leadership these volunteers faced one of the darkest days in Oklahoma history, April 19, 1995. Darcie managed the agency's crisis response following the bombing of the Murrah Federal Building and provided support and counseling to thousands of Oklahomans.

In 2010 Darcie was named Oklahoma Women in Business Champion by the Small Business Administration. Her achievements have been recognized by The Oklahoman, who selected her as one



Darcie Harris

of five finalists for Woman of the Year, by the Edmond Area Chamber of Commerce who selected her as one of three finalists for Woman of the Year and by WE Magazine when she was named as one of 15 finalists in We Magazine cover story competition. The Journal Record selected her as one of their 50 Making a Difference candidates for 2010 Woman of the Year.

Darcie's passion for creating a sense of community makes her work a labor of love. She describes her work with women as the most rewarding of her career.

2010-2011 General Membership Meetings

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

This year, our night general meetings will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Quail Creek Golf and Country Club, located at 3501 Quail Creek Road. Come each month and catch up with fellow Leaguers and hear the latest club business. A cash bar along with Hors D'oeuvres will be provided during social hour from 6-7 p.m. The meetings will begin at 7 p.m. Daytime meetings will be at JLOC Headquarters and will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. We hope to see each and every one of you there!



Date	Time
September 14*	7:00 p.m.
October	No GMM
November 9	11:30 a.m./ 7:00 p.m.
December 14	a.m. / p.m. Locations to be announced
January 11*	7:00 p.m. only
February 8	7:00 p.m. only
March 8	11:30 a.m./ 7:00 p.m.
April 12*	7:00 p.m. only
May 10	7:00 p.m. only

*Denotes Voting meeting - We need everyone there!

Hollywood Comes to Life at Summer Social

BY LIZA CRYDER



Lisa McConnell, Nicole Dobbins, Amy McDougall, Amy Logan, Whitney Tero

On Thursday, July 22 the Junior League of Oklahoma City held their Summer Social at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. While there, 80 members were treated to an educational guided tour of the new Sketch to Screen: The Art of Hollywood Costume Design exhibit. JLOC member Jennifer Klos, an associate curator at the Art Museum, is responsible for putting together this stunning exhibit and bringing it to Oklahoma City. She, along with her co-curator Brian Hearn, contacted museums, fashion institutes and movie studios across the country, successfully gathering more than 85 original garments and

accessories for this exhibit. Garments worn by such stars as Audrey Hepburn, Greta Garbo, Marlene Dietrich and John Wayne are part of the exhibit.

The exhibit also highlights the contributions of some of the greatest costume designers from the golden age of Hollywood, with costumes from various decades demonstrating the range of creativity and craftsmanship that costume designers use to construct a film's characters through simple clothing. Accompanying the exhibit is a film series that celebrates many of the greatest examples of costume design in movies. Some of the films included are Funny Face, Gone With the Wind and

Mamma Mia!

This entertaining and educational exhibit will run through August 15, 2010, so if you haven't had the opportunity to visit yet, get down to the Oklahoma City Museum of Art and enjoy what Jennifer Klos and her team has created.

Thank you to all of those who came to the JLOC Summer Social and made it a successful evening. And a special thank you to Jennifer and the Oklahoma City Museum of Art tour guides who were kind enough to host our group. A special thank you to Sustaining events co-chairs Betsy Mantor and Beth Kerr and TLDC chair Leslie St. John for coordinating this wonderful event.



Margaret Creighton and Erin Langdon



The Reiger's, Mei Cheng, and Jenifer Randle



A piece from the Sketch to Screen: The Art of Hollywood Costume Design exhibit at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art.

Mistletoe Market 2010

A WINTER WONDERLAND IN OCTOBER *By Adrienne Nobles*

It's the most wonderful time of the year for the Junior League of Oklahoma City – Mistletoe Market time! The shopping extravaganza is set for October 8-10, with the preview party on October 7th. Once again, the market will be located in the Travel and Transportation Building at the State Fairgrounds.

This year's market promises to be bigger and better than ever, with a large number of new vendors vying for a Mistletoe Market booth and the return of many favorites, along with special events for children and happy hours for adults. Given the fun and variety the Mistletoe Market board is planning, it seems the selected 2010 theme of "Winter Wonderland" is truly fitting.

While Mistletoe Market offers an opportunity for shoppers to check out more than 100 carefully selected vendors and enjoy special events for kids and adults, the event also serves as

the League's largest fundraiser. Last year's Mistletoe Market raised more than \$127,000, accounting for a quarter of the JLOC's revenue--helping fund the League's vital community projects and, thus, impacting lives in countless ways.

"Every JLOC member contributes to making Mistletoe Market a success," said Wendy Mounger, Mistletoe Market 2010 Board chair. "From working their shift, to sharing their quota tickets, to promoting the event in their own networks and coming to shop themselves, we are so appreciative of our members' participation."

No JLOC member's wardrobe is complete without the annual Mistletoe Market t-shirt – plus it makes getting ready for working the Market shift a breeze! Featuring an always fresh and fun design, t-shirts will be available for purchase at the September General Meeting and online. The cost was not available at press time, but will be



listed on the jloc.org website. Members can also pick up Mistletoe Market yard signs at the September General Meeting. Members are asked to place a sign in their own yard, and to pick up extras to give to neighbors, family, friends and businesses who will display the signs, as well.

GOT QUESTIONS?
Mistletoe Market Board Members will be available before and after the September General Meeting to answer additional questions or contact your advisor or Wendy Mounger at wemo@cox.net.

Fun and Special Events You Don't Want to Miss!

The Mistletoe Market Preview Party is known for fun, food and fabulous shopping. This year's event, set for 6-9 p.m., October 7th, is billed as "Sip, Shop and Mingle," with tickets available online for \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. The party will include live music, food from Oklahoma City's finest restaurants and four luxurious, exclusive raffle items. JLOC members have made this a "must attend" social event, so if they are not working a shift during the party, members are encouraged to purchase a ticket (or two and bring a friend!) and enjoy a girls' night out!

Friday night is ladies night. Ladies night market mingle happy hour will be Friday from 6-8 p.m. Bring your friends and enjoy live music, food, cocktails, and shopping. The fun continues on Saturday with children's events throughout the day and a market mingle happy hour from 6-8 p.m. It's a "Funday Sunday" with Santa and children's events throughout the day.

MISTLETOE MARKET AVAILABLE SHIFTS

Shift sign-up begins at 6 a.m., September 15th online at www.jloc.org. Each member is required to sign up for and complete a four-hour shift. To make alternative arrangements, contact: Allison Timberlake, atimberlake@cox.net, (405) 820-0112 (cell) or (405) 348-7444 (home).

OCTOBER

5th - Tuesday 10a – 2p 12p – 4p 2p – 6p	6th - Wednesday 8a – 12p 11:30a – 3:30p 12p – 4p 3 – 7p 4 – 8p	7th - Thursday 8a – 12p 11:30a – 3:30p 12p – 4p 3 – 7p 4 – 8p 4:30 – 8:30p 5 – 9p <i>Preview Party</i> 5:30 – 9:30p 6 – 10p
8th - Friday* 8a – 12p 9:30a – 1:30p 10a – 2p 12p – 4p 1 – 5p 2 – 6p 4 – 8p 6 – 10p <small>*MARKET OPEN 10A – 8P</small>	9th - Saturday** 8a – 12p 9a – 1p 9:30a – 1:30p 10a – 2p 12p – 4p 1 – 5p 2 – 6p 4 – 8p <small>** MARKET OPEN 10A – 6P</small>	10th - Sunday** 10a – 2p 12p – 4p 1 – 5p 2 – 6p 5 – 9p <small>*** MARKET OPEN 11A – 5P</small>

Mistletoe Market Shift Sign-Up

DATES YOU NEED TO KNOW

Each JLOC member is required to serve one four-hour shift for Mistletoe Market. There are a variety of shifts available before, during and after the event – check out the shifts available in the list next to this article.

Members can sign-up for their shift online at www.jloc.org beginning at 6 a.m., Wednesday, September 15, the day after the September General Meeting. Shifts are available on a first come, first served basis, so members are encouraged to set their alarms if securing a particular time is important.

JLOC is also offering the Mistletoe Market shift buyout again this year - \$600 to buy out the entire four hour shift, or \$350 to buy out half (two hours) of the required shift. Members can also sign up for this option online.

If a member has an issue that will



prevent them from completing one of the available shifts, contact Allison Timberlake, Mistletoe Market Personnel chair, to make alternative arrangements for fulfilling the shift requirement as soon as possible. Allison can be contacted by email at atimberlake@cox.net, by cell phone at (405) 820-0112 or at home, (405) 348-7444.

Quota Tickets Will Be Mailed to You!

Each JLOC member is also required to purchase "quota tickets" for Mistletoe Market, which is a bundle of six tickets for \$30. These tickets can be purchased online beginning Aug. 15. We are beginning a new process for delivering the quota tickets this year. Each active and provisional member will be mailed a quota ticket bundle, whether or not they have ordered them online by the mailing date. Members are still required to purchase their quota tickets online before the close of Market on Oct. 10 to avoid being assessed a late fee. Please make sure your address is current in the system so you receive your bundle in a timely manner. Receive your quota tickets in the mail by September 30. The Market board hopes this new process will make the process of getting quota tickets in their hands easier. Members are encouraged to share their quota tickets with friends and family who will "shop 'til they drop" at Mistletoe Market.

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Spotlight on Mistletoe Market Board

Have you ever wondered how much planning goes into Mistletoe Market every year? The planning starts early and it's up to the Mistletoe Market board to make sure that everything runs smoothly.

MM Chairman

The Chairman must have a solid working knowledge of MM and have served in some capacity on the board in the last few years. The Chairman oversees a board of volunteer actives & sustainers. The Chairman is the face of MM and is expected to help guide fellow board members in their individual roles. She works closely with the Merchant Chair

and Vice Chair to select the vendors for market and to create a floor plan that works well and showcases each vendor in the best possible manner.

MM Merchant Chair & Vice Chair

The Merchant Chair is responsible for the selection of merchants/vendors. She acts as the liaison between the vendor and the market. All contracts, correspondence, deposits and vendor issues are handled by her and her vice chair.



The lounge is dedicated to making our vendors feel welcome.

MM Treasurer & Vice Treasurer

The Treasurer is responsible for MM tickets and Preview Party Tickets, MM t-shirt sales and keeps track of all budgets for MM. During market, she is responsible for merchant change requests, sending deposits to the bank; tabulating tickets and making sure the appropriate invoices relating to MM get paid in a timely fashion.

MM PR Chair & Vice Chair

The PR Chair is responsible for all print, radio, television and social media networking and advertisements. She works closely with a media buyer to plan the best way to get out the MM & JLOC message to the general public.

MM Arrangements Chair & Vice Chair

The Chair is responsible for securing the venue for MM and all details surrounding the building. She also works closely with a show services contractor(s) who supplies all of the furnishings, pipe, drape, carpet, audio, valet parking and electrical for MM. It is also her job to make sure all food vendors meet the venue guidelines and follow city and county health codes. It is her responsibility to make sure the venue staff keep the building clean and free of trash or other issues.

MM Hospitality Chair

The Chair is responsible for soliciting donations for the Hospitality Lounge. The Hospitality Lounge is a location at market dedicated to making our vendors feel welcome and refreshed. Debbie Nevard serves as MM Hospitality sustaining advisor.

MM Special Events Chair & Vice Chair

The Chair is responsible for soliciting donations for food, liquor, auction items and money for the Preview Party as well as entertainment & happy hours during market. She is responsible for coordinating all activities before and during Preview Party and specific events during market such as silent auctions, children's entertainment and various other exciting activities during market. Carey Sue Vega is serving as MM Special Events sustaining advisor.

MM Personnel Chair

The Chair is responsible for adequately staffing all MM shifts before, during and after market. She also secures the off-duty Sheriff Deputy volunteers during MM, the music during market, the two-way radios, and announcements.

Fundraising VP

As a member of the JLOC Board of Directors, she is the go-between between the MM board and JLOC board..

Financial Development Chair

She is responsible for keeping track of all donations (monetary, material and in-kind) for MM and making sure they receive the appropriate recognition.



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Back to School Memories



From getting up early to pop quizzes and homework, some JLOC members take a moment to reminisce about going back to school.

Kristen Brown

I always loved going back to school every year. It was always so fun to find out who your teacher was and who was going to be in your class (in grade school). Getting back together with all of the friends you missed seeing over the summer made it exciting. I also enjoyed getting to go shopping for new school outfits and school supplies. I loved getting to go pick out a new bag/backpack and lunch box for the year - and nothing can beat a new box of crayons!

Tyfanna Johnson

I REALLY loved school and always looked forward to getting ready for the next year. Every August my mom would take me shopping for new supplies and there is just something special about

perfectly sharpened new pencils, a new backpack with cool secret pockets, and an unscratched TrapperKeeper that made my stars align. Decorating the inside of my locker was always fun too - I would have been in heaven if we'd had all of the cool magnetic organizers and wall clings that they have today! The only thing that made me cringe was how new teachers would mispronounce



Kristen Brown

“And, walking home from school, we had to dodge a moose on more than one occasion ... It seemed normal at the time.”

—Lisa McConnell

my name. I typically had to break the long silence during role call when the teacher got to my name with a little comic relief. Oh well...it was definitely a character building exercise that has suited my adult life too..nobody gets my name right even now and I just have to roll with it!

Nazette Zundi

I always loved going back to school clothes shopping with my Mom. It was always a big day for us to go together and get tons of cute outfits. We had the best time. There was a store called “Tammy Linn” and that was our place each year!! To this day, I absolutely love clothes and shoes, to a fault! And, my Mom and I still go shopping together all the time, just not for school any more.

Jill Greene

I was always excited to get back to school. I wish I could say it was my enthusiasm for hitting the books, but honestly it was to see all of my friends again. I loved school! The social aspect of school as well as the activities and camaraderie during football season are



all fond memories for me from my first day all the way through college!

Lisa McConnell

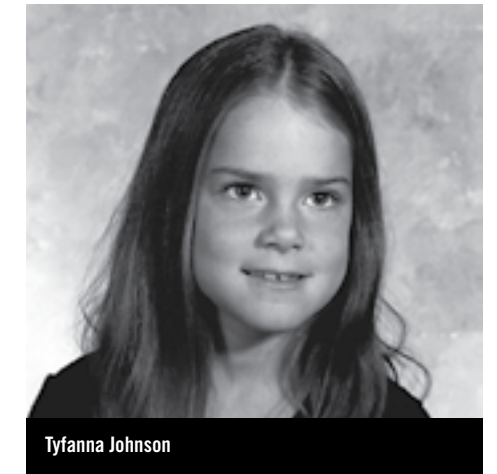
I loved school. I loved the anticipation of going back to school in the fall: the smell of new markers; excitement of seeing my friends; and the challenge of learning the ways of a new teacher and new

school work. But I grew up in Alaska and “Back to School” also meant that summer was nearly done. By late August, the mountains already have snow and winter is right around the corner. On my first day of kindergarten, I remember being late because I tried to break the ice on every puddle on my way to school. On the playground, we played “Bear Attack” and would have to escape the clutches of the angry bear (it was modified tag). From our school playground, we would look across Cook Inlet and pretend that we could see Russia (yes, all Alaskan children do this...). And, walking home from school, we had to dodge a moose on more than one occasion (they are really crazy animals). It seemed normal at the time. Looking back I realize it was an amazing experience!

Amy McDougall

I was fortunate enough to be able to go catholic schools growing up but at the time, I hated wearing uniforms. Our uniforms came unhemmed and I

couldn't sew a stitch. One of my best friends mother was a wonderful seamstress and at the beginning of the school year she would hem all my uniform skirts for me. I loved getting them back from her because they would have perfect pleat creases and she would always attach a funny poem when she sent them back to me.



Tyfanna Johnson

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Margo Ward



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What's Hot for Fall at the Remarkable Shop

BY HEATHER DAVEY

Fall is quickly approaching and it will soon be time to put away the swimsuits and flip-flops and bring out the sweaters and boots. Look no further than our very own Remarkable Shop. A great place to stock up on key fall items. The Remarkable shop has plenty of fall's top trends in stock and is a great place to find low priced apparel and accessories. The question now is what's hot for fall? According to Harper Bazaar magazine, fall's color palette is a mixture of the classic camel, rich purple gem tones, modern metallic's, bright reds

and the surprise color for fall, pale blue. A few tips to consider before shopping for your fall wardrobe. Animal prints are back on everything from pencil skirts, to ballet flats to chic clutches. Real or faux fur makes a huge statement on coats, vests and shoes. Layering continues to be a hot trend for fall with the more-is-more approach and the classic long trouser or skirt is being worn with kitten heels and flat-soled boots.

One of the most important accessories to complete any ensemble is the shoe. According to Balliets shoe buyer Betsy King,

this fall is your chance to pick the perfect pair and stand out in any crowd. A very ladylike trend is emerging. We are going back to that tried and true sleek pointy toe pump. The pointy toe gets an update with an almond shape toe, as well as the severe elegant point. Nude hues continue to be strong into fall.

See examples of these fashion trends at the Remarkable shop fashion show happening at 7 pm on September 23rd. Tickets are \$10. This is a great opportunity to mingle with friends and see what you can find at the Remarkable Shop. The fashion show will consist of consignment and thrift items to show how you can combine different pieces for less this fall and winter. There will be items from The Limited, Banana Republic, 7 For All Mankind Jeans and BCBGMAXAZRIA, just to name a few. The choices for fall are endless and there's no better place to put them all together than at the Remarkable Shop!



Gretchen Jeane, Whitney Tatum, Simone Taylor and Kristy Kapp show off remarkable fall fashions. All items can be found at the Remarkable Shop.



Remarkable New Pricing at the Remarkable Shop

Have you been to the Remarkable Shop lately? If not, you may want to stop by and see what's new on the price tag. A new pricing structure is in place and that means more savings for you.

Men's and women's tops, sweaters, jeans, skirts, and jackets are only \$5. Blazers and dresses are priced to move at \$7. Looking for a suit? The Remarkable Shop has those for men and women. Men's suits are only \$12 while women's 2 & 3 piece suits and outfits are only \$8. You can also find coats for \$12. Kid's clothes are a bargain too at \$2 for tops and pants, \$3 for dresses and two piece outfits, and \$5 for jackets and coats. Come and see what great deals you can find at the Remarkable Shop. The prices listed above are for thrift items only, consignment items are priced differently.

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◀ Gracie Ferate makes a necklace during craft time before story time.



▲ Wild Tuesdays Storytime Safari has success in new location in the new Children's Zoo.

► Children and parents gathered on Grandma's Porch to hear stories, do crafts, and visit with zoo animals.



2010-2011 PROVISIONAL COURSE MEETINGS

Provisional Course 2

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 11:15 lunch, 11:30 meeting OR
Wednesday, September 22, 2010, 6:15 dinner, 6:30 meeting

Location: Infant Crisis Service, 4224 N. Lincoln Blvd.

Topics: History of JLOC, JLOC Fundraisers, Mistletoe Market, Fall Placement Interviews, Volunteer Service Awards Program

Provisional Course 3

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 3, 2010, 11:15 lunch, 11:30 meeting OR
Wednesday, November 17, 2010, 6:15 dinner, 6:30

Location: JLOC Headquarters

Topics: JLOC Structure—Boards, Councils & Committees

Provisional Course 4

Date & Time: Wednesday, February 2, 2011, 11:15 lunch, 11:30 meeting OR
Wednesday, February 16, 2011, 6:15 dinner, 6:30

Location: JLOC Headquarters

Topics: Community Placements, Appointments, Spring Placement Interviews, Role of Nominating Committee

Provisional Course 5

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 6, 2011, 6:15 dinner, 6:30 meeting (Evening Only)

Location: Boys & Girls Club, 3535 N. Western Ave.

Topics: Planning your JLOC Experience, May General Meeting planning

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Faustine Curry
Sarah Burger

REINSTATEMENT

Kelley McGuire (A)
Meredith Wilson (NRA)

TRANSFER IN

Rosemary Scalpone (S) transferred
from San Diego, CA
Kim File (A) transferred from Kansas
City, MO

TRANSFER OUT

Traci Bentley – (A) transferred to
Princeton, NJ
Liz Larrieu – (P) transferred to Law-
ton, OK

RESIGNATIONS

Jennifer Conklin
Tori Turnbow

CONDOLENCES

Judy Wilson (S) – passing of hus-
band, Nick

September / October

Family of Linda Reece (S) on her
passing
Josephine Thweatt (S) – mother
passed

GET WELL

Betsy Mantor (S)

SUSTAINING AS OF JUNE 1, 2010

Marla Van Zant
Amy Reen
D.J. Thompson
Kathryn L Wilson
Alexa Slaughter
Cara Parent
Anne Richmond
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Mary Lacher
Amy Gray
Janie Kinsinger
Teresa Stephens
Shyla Slay

SUSTAINER'S CORNER

Thank you to the Sustainers who have agreed to serve
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GIRLS ON THE BLOCK



Cyone Harris

ACTIVE MEMBER

What was the name of your elementary school and in what city was it located?

Moffett Elementary in Huntington Beach, CA

When you were growing up, what was your favorite summer vacation?

You would think living at the beach that you would go somewhere really fun for summer but we had a river house in Bullhead City, AZ on the Colorado River. It was 115 degrees outside and 60 degrees in the water. Good thing we had a boat.

When you were in high school or college, what was your favorite Spring Break destination?

I moved to Meeker, OK in the 8th grade so my Spring Breaks where usually spent going to California to visit my dad.

What teacher inspired you the most and why?

My 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Yarborough, was awesome. She made going to school so much fun and it wasn't bad that she would give the entire class full-size Snickers bars. She retired and moved to Texas shortly after she had my brother in her class.

What assigned book in school did you NOT actually read? Have you read it since then?? If you read them ALL, which was your favorite?

I was a good student and read all of my assigned books, however, I can't remember which one was my favorite. I would have to say that Charlotte's Webb is one that sticks out in my mind probably because it was during that 5th grade year and my teacher was awesome.

What book are you reading now?

A Weight Watchers recipe book (does that count?)

What did you want to be when you grew up – and what is your occupation now?

When I was really little, I wanted to be a teacher and a mom. In high school I wanted to go into journalism or child psychology. I have the pleasure of working from home in a home based business and being a mom to Aubrey(12) and Boston(3).

What is your proudest accomplishment?

Graduating from college. I was a single mom so it took me a little longer than most, but it made the accomplishment that much better.

What would people be surprised to know about you?

I grew up in Southern California with a skateboard ramp in the backyard. My dad owns a skateboard company, Madrid Skateboards, that has been around since 1976 and is still in business. Did I mention I have no idea how to ride a skateboard.

Why did you decide to get involved with JLOC?

My mother-in-law Dee Harris asked if I would be interested and I thought it would be a wonderful way to meet great women and help the community. Looks like I was right.

Besides your volunteer work with the JLOC, what other community volunteer opportunities do you enjoy?

I enjoy volunteering at my daughter's school and at our church.

Fall means the new television season. What's your favorite reality show?

I love reality shows so it's hard to pick just one. My top picks would be Amazing Race, Top Chef and Deadliest Catch.

JLOC is all about communications! What's your preferred method of communication?

I'm a strong believer in verbal communication. Texting just seems so impersonal to me. E-mail is good but I don't sit at my computer all day and my cell phone doesn't have E-mail...yet.

Who are your favorite vendors/What are your favorite items to buy at Mistletoe Market?

I love all of the vendors! I love to buy holiday decorations, clothing and lots of wrapping goodies from the wrapping paper booth.

What is your all-time favorite Mistletoe Market purchase??

It changes every year, last year I bought this really cute 12x12 picture frame.

Bailey Gordon

PROVISIONAL

What was the name of your elementary school and in what city was it located?

Grand Avenue Elementary in Chickasha, OK

When you were growing up, what was your favorite summer vacation?

Disney World!

When you were in high school or college, what was your favorite Spring Break destination?

Destin, Florida - 13 girls in a teeny condo made for one funny trip!

What teacher inspired you the most and why?

My 9th grade English and senior Shakespeare class teacher, Mr. Huston. His unconventional teaching style and weirdly intense love for Shakespeare taught me that it's always OK to be myself.

What assigned book in school did you NOT actually read?



Have you read it since then?? If you read them ALL, which was your favorite?

I didn't read "Pride and Prejudice" and watched a marathon of the mini-series with a friend instead (I thought it would be quicker!). I have read it since and I can say that I'm a fan of Jane Austen.

What book are you reading now?

Kristin Chenoweth's biography "A Little Bit Wicked." It's so bubbly and entertaining that I can hardly put it down!

What did you want to be when you grew up – and what is your occupation now?

I wanted to be a plethora of things - lawyer, painter, dancer, maker of cute stationery, First

Lady of the United States (that's normal, right?). I currently work in development and communications for Allied Arts.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

I traveled around the country on my own for a year and I made it!

What would people be surprised to know about you?

That I do not watch nor do I even like American Idol.

Why did you decide to get involved with JLOC?

I was ready to get involved in the community and meet interesting and inspiring women.

Besides your volunteer work with the JLOC, what other community volunteer opportunities do you enjoy?

I enjoy working at various events around town and I also volunteer for Kappa Alpha Theta at the international level.

Fall means the new television season. What's your favorite reality show?

I hate to admit, but I've become a loyal watcher of The Bachelor. My real favorite reality show is So You Think You Can Dance.

JLOC is all about communications! What's your preferred method of communication?

Email! Phone is fine, too, but I'm terrible about checking voice mail.

Who are your favorite vendors/What are your favorite items to buy at Mistletoe Market?

I've never been to Mistletoe Market, but am looking to buy a few Christmas ornaments for my tree. I collect them when I travel!

What is your all-time favorite Mistletoe Market purchase??

Once again, never been to the Market, but I'm sure I'll be purchasing several things this year!



Dee Harris
SUSTAINER

What was the name of your elementary school and in what city was it located?
Condit Elementary in Houston, Texas

When you were growing up, what was your favorite summer vacation?

Camping in Crested butte, Colorado before there was a ski run or condo's

When you were in high school or college, what was your favorite Spring Break destination?
California

What assigned book in school did you NOT actually read? Have you read it since then?? If you read them ALL, which was your favorite?
I read them all. My favorite assignment however, was a series of poems-The Canterbury Tales.

What book are you reading now?
Breach of Trust by Tom Coburn, M.D.

What did you want to be when you grew up – and what is your occupation now?
I had no idea growing up. I'm an interior designer and Nana to almost 3 grandchildren (Aubrey, Boston, and another baby boy due in September)

What is your proudest accomplishment?
My Children, Andrew and Ben

What would people be surprised to know about you?
I went to 3 different schools in the 5th grade. We moved a lot!!

Why did you decide to get involved with JLOC?
I was invited to attend and I was so honored. And still am.

Besides your volunteer work with the JLOC, what

other community volunteer opportunities do you enjoy?
My church, my neighborhood association and Anna's House

Fall means the new television season. What's your favorite reality show?
Anything of the Fox News Channel

JLOC is all about communications! What's your preferred method of communication?
Face to face conversation with anyone. People are so interesting and wonderful.

Who are your favorite vendors/ What are your favorite items to buy at Mistletoe Market?
Unique and wonderful clothes and accessories

What is your all-time favorite Mistletoe Market purchase??
My embroidered stretch denim jeans with black stretch sections sewn in are wonderful. Love them.

Ginny Raymer
BOARD MEMBER

What was the name of your elementary school and in what city was it located?
I attended Montrose Academy in Montrose, Arkansas.

When you were growing up, what was your favorite summer vacation?

I enjoyed all of the trips we took when I was young, but my favorite thing about summer vacation was going to the pool every day and playing in our backyard from the moment we woke up until it was time for bed.



When you were in high school or college, what was your favorite Spring Break destination?
My favorite college trip was just before Spring Break my senior year. I left in the middle of the week to meet my dad in New York City. We stayed at the Waldorf Astoria, saw a Broadway play, strolled through Central Park, and when my dad was in meetings, I spent the day at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

What teacher inspired you the most and why?
Mrs. Wright, my tax teacher at Ouachita Baptist University, was not the stereo-typical accountant. She showed me that accounting was not all debits and credits and that accountants could be attractive, stylish and have personality.

What did you want to be when you grew up – and what is your occupation now?
When I was four I wanted to be a princess with five fluffy dresses. Instead, I became a tax attorney and a CPA until recently when I decided to become a full time volunteer and travel with my husband, Trey.

What is your proudest accomplishment?
I am not a huge fan of change, so I am most proud of the year that I moved three times, worked for

three different Ernst & Young offices, and got married. It was so hard to leave everything that had been familiar to me, but I adapted to each change very well.

What would people be surprised to know about you?
I have a law license and can run really fast.

Why did you decide to get involved with the Junior League?
I wanted to volunteer but I didn't know exactly where. The Junior League had lots of opportunities and was perfect for me.

Fall means the new television season. What's your favorite reality show?
I love Project Runway!

Who are your favorite vendors/ What are your favorite items to buy at Mistletoe Market?
The Holiday Farms "fudge guy" is my favorite vendor and my first stop at Mistletoe Market. Every year I visit his booth to buy fudge for my daddy.

What is your all-time favorite Mistletoe Market purchase?
Our first year of marriage, I bought Trey an OU stadium blanket. He loves football and graduated from OU, perfect.



Ryan Johnson
COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

WHAT WAS THE NAME OF YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND IN WHAT CITY WAS IT LOCATED?
Duke Public School, Duke, OK

WHEN YOU WERE GROWING UP, WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUMMER VACATION?
When I was 7 we went to Disneyland and the Grand Canyon.

WHEN YOU WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE, WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SPRING BREAK DESTINATION?
I went to Cancun with a group from my OSU Sigma Chi pledge class; it was quite a trip.

WHAT TEACHER INSPIRED YOU THE MOST AND WHY?
Robetha Darby, who has and continues to encourage me to be myself and follow my dreams.

WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GREW UP – AND WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION NOW?
I wanted to be a Lawyer and run for office. JLOC Sustainer Cindy Curley and I own Norwalk Furniture and Design.

WHAT IS YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT?
I am very proud of my store, which continues to grow and thrive in a tough economy.

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO GET INVOLVED WITH JLOC?
I was honored to be asked to serve on the CAB. I have many friends in JLOC, and being able to help and give back, I am happy to do.

BESIDES YOUR VOLUNTEER WORK WITH THE JLOC, WHAT OTHER COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES DO YOU ENJOY?
To help with both OSU and Sigma Chi alumni activities. I also have volunteered with Allied Arts.

JLOC IS ALL ABOUT COMMUNICATIONS! WHAT'S YOUR PREFERRED METHOD OF COMMUNICATION?
Text Message, all day, everyday.

WHAT IS YOUR ALL-TIME FAVORITE MISTLETOE MARKET PURCHASE??
A couple of years ago, I purchased my niece a "mink" coat.



The Bags Are Packed for Back to School



by Liza Cryder

The Back to School Project is a wonderful way for the Junior League of Oklahoma City to give back to our community and is a perfect example of the League's commitment to improving literacy, especially in children. This community project partners with Citizens Caring for Children to provide brand new, fully-stocked backpacks for 800 children in foster care. The kids are paired with a JLOC volunteer who helps them pick out their very own backpack and then "shop" for the supplies they need for school..

These children normally do not have the opportunity to shop for school supplies, so this is a wonderful treat for them. The Back to School Project gives these children a sense of normalcy as they "shop" for the first day of school-just like everyone else.

The children served range from kindergarten through 12th grade, so the items provided for them vary according to age. Children in grades K-5th get to pick out one backpack and 22 school items, including pencils, scissors, markers and a book. Kids in grades 6th-12th get to choose 32 items to fill their

backpack - necessary items like a math set, calculator, composition book and a dictionary.

The Back to School Project's store, filled with all of the necessary school supplies opened its doors on July 29th and will welcome children through August 20th.

Thank you Laura Furnish, Laurel Hall, Dina Hammam, Ashley Lee, Christna Nihira, Alix Samara, Hayden Smith, Emerald Stanley, Ginny Starr, Katie Treadwell, Pamela Usery, Lara Wendelken, and Beth Wylie for doing an awesome job.



Father and son enjoy a morning at the OKC Zoo after Storytime Safari.

A Wild and Hot Summer at the Zoo

BY SUSANNAH BEBEE

Grandma's Porch at the newly opened Children's Zoo was the location for Wild Tuesdays Storytime Safari at the Oklahoma City Zoo. Ten ladies beat the heat every Tuesday in June and July to provide children 11 and under with storytime, juice, snacks, crafts, and a visit from a zookeeper or naturalist. Storytimes were at 9:30 and 10:30am. Storytime at the zoo served 681 children in June and 505 in July for a grand total of 1,186 children!! The Eager Reader program was a big

hit again this year. Children attending storytime were encouraged to take home Eager Reader cards, complete the card with up to 8 books they read, and then turn in the completed card for a FREE book! A total of 188 books were given away through the Eager Reader program.

The ladies that beat the heat were Andrea Bair, Susannah Bebee, Heather Griswold, Heather Head, Rebecca Holmboe, Dini Homsey, Caroline Mildren, Suzanne Reynolds, Christa Sullivan, and Emily Trice. Great job ladies!!

Book Drive Makes History

BY KAREN SWIFT

The JLOC Book Drive was a huge success this year thanks to the hard work of Jennifer Harrison and her committee of 15 volunteers!! The Book Drive brought in record breaking 13,140 books!! The book drive ran through the month of June and collected books for all ages. The committee will be distributing the books to passengers at the Metro Transit bus terminal on August 13 from

7-10 AM. Any remaining books will be offered to our partner agencies and then to other community organizations and schools in need. In addition, over 3,000 books will be distributed to metro area children in need. The JLOC Book Drive chair, Jennifer Harrison, would like to thank Bank of Oklahoma for their \$1,500 gift to purchase books, as well as for their generous marketing efforts, continued friendship, and support

of the Junior League and our literacy mission.

The driving force behind the Book Drive are Tina Adams, Elizabeth Black, Courtney Eilerts, Jennifer Harrison, Paula Gander, Keri Herrin, Brittney Keating, Jennifer Kerr, Erica Lape, Katie Lathrop, Julie Leclercq, Amy Morris, Deena Sylvester, Toni Weinmeister, Ginger Welch, and Amy Williams. Way to make history!



JLOC Book Drive Committee members, along with representatives from the Bank of Oklahoma distributed the books from 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.



Over 2,000 books were distributed to Metro Area Transit riders on Friday, August 13th.



Choosing a book is hard with so many choices.

Et Cetera

[various]

Going Green in the League



BY SUMMER DEFEHR

Did you know that there is a garbage patch estimated to be twice the size of Texas accumulating in the Pacific Ocean? It's called the North Pacific Gyre and is caused by the intersection of four major ocean currents that meet in the Pacific and create a clockwise vortex where trash, mostly plastic, accumulates and gets trapped. While it may seem overwhelming, there are a few simple things that each of us can do to decrease our impact on the environment.

We have glass, plastic and aluminum recycling bins. We also have reusable plates and utensils at headquarters. There is even a dishwasher! So, next time you think about purchasing plastic plates for a meeting at headquarters, think about the environment and go green! If you must use disposable items, opt for recycled paper goods or search the kitchen for mismatched plates, napkins and cups. Don't forget to recycle those disposable items when you are finished!



Get Your Black Book

The 2010-2011 Membership Black Books will be available for pick up at the first General Meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2010. Be sure to come by and pick up your copy before or after the meeting!! If you are unable to attend the General Meeting, Actives and Provisionals may pick them up at HQ anytime after Wednesday, September 15. Sustainers may contact HQ after September 15 to arrange a pick-up time. If you have any additional questions, please contact Amanda Soderberg.

—KAREN SWIFT



NOMINATING NEWS

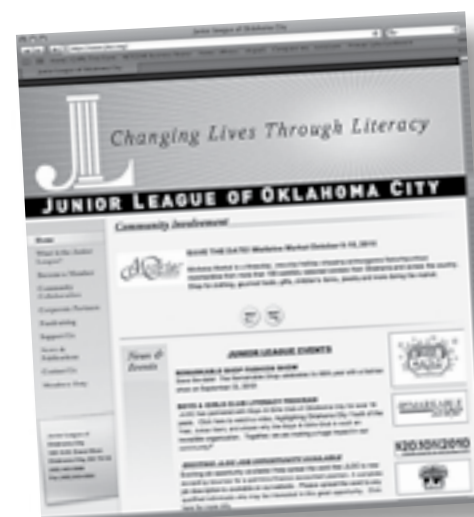
2010-2011

The Nominating Committee has already started for the 2010-2011 Junior League year. We hope everyone took time this summer to update their PRF's as the committee will use those this year for supplemental information. The first business this year will be selecting members to go to Organizational Development Institute (ODI). The dates are October 15-17, 2010 in Houston, Texas and March 11-13, 2011 in Tampa, Florida. We encourage all members to look at the Nominating Timeline available on the JLOC web site. If you are interested in being a representative for

ODI or another position please fill out an expression of interest form. To do this, log on to the JLOC website www.jloc.org and click on the Members tab in the Members Only section. Then scroll down to the Placement & Nominating information. The Expression of Interest Form asks basic information such as your name, email address, position of interest and reason why you are expressing your interest. Watch for Monday emails with more nominating news and information! Any questions please email Kristen Brown, Nominating Chair at kristnmatt@aol.com

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Monday Email

The Monday email has a fresh updated look with graphics, photos, information about our Community projects, and a "Welcome" video message from Jill Greene.

Facebook Page

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The JLOC Facebook page is updated regularly with photos, community project information, and activities and events. Since June 1st, it's had a 400% jump in visits to the page. Please become a Fan and encourage your friends to become fans as well. We now have 469 fans but our goal is to have 1,000 fans by the end of the year!

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Ask Rita!

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Don't get burnt! Know how to work the appliances.

Q: I recently tried to bake a pizza in the over at JLOC Headquarters for a committee meeting, but I somehow totally burned it! What did I do wrong?? —Burnt Cheese

RITA: That oven is very fancy! It can serve as both a conventional oven and convection oven! I'm guessing you accidentally set it to convection – which cooks food much more quickly than a conventional oven. There are instructions to the oven in the drawer next to the oven that you might review before trying it again, and there are also instructions in your Black Book. The Black Book instructions say you should pre-heat the oven and watch food carefully.

By the way, remember that the kitchen and pantry are pretty well stocked! During the last inventory, Headquarters Committee members cleaned and reorganized both areas. There are lots of serving pieces, pitchers, bowls, and trays!

Just clean what you use and put it back where you found it. Finally, I hope you packed up and took home any extra food! JLOC members are kind and generous to leave left-overs behind, but they never get eaten (I promise!) If staff or other JLOC members are around, offer it up – then TAKE IT HOME! Best wishes for happy pizza!

Q: I recently booked JLOC's large conference room for a work meeting. The space was awesome, but I couldn't find any coffee to serve. There was lots of tea, but no coffee. Where is it hiding?? —De-Caffeinated

RITA: One of the reasons JLOC members who worked on the new Headquarters designed the large conference room was so local non-profits could benefit from a reasonably-priced rental space. The room is very popular and often rented far in advance, so I'm glad you were able to

book your meeting! You should know, however, that the room rental doesn't come with coffee. JLOC has coffee makers (large and small) anyone can use, and our renters are welcome to use any paper products or coffee enhancements (creamers, sugar, etc.) they find – and there are TONS, both in the large conference room and in the kitchen. JLOC cannot provide the actual coffee, though. And it wouldn't be a bad idea to bring coffee filters either. Once I used a paper towel – only once! As you mentioned, there is a lot of tea. Lots of lemonade and hot chocolate too! Use it up! FYI, that soda over in the corner of the kitchen is yours for the taking too, but it's probably flat! Have a great NEXT meeting at HQ!



Junior League Headquarters is a great place to meet.

Rita Wants to Hear From You. Send your questions to her at: ritabooke@jloc.org, or drop hand-written questions addressed to her in the league link mailbox!

Please be looking FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE SUSTAINER OF THE YEAR AND MARY BAKER RUMSEY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATIONS COMING SOON! FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.

Nearly-weds



Ragan White & Daniel Crowell
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Mr. and Mrs. Grant DeFehr
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