

Junior League of Winston-Salem Puppet Show: "You Can Always Talk to Someone"

by Katy Ringeman and Aimee Rowe

SINCE 1986, the Junior League of Winston-Salem has presented to all third graders in the Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System a live puppet show, *You Can Always Talk to Someone*. The JLWS volunteers have worked closely with the elementary guidance counselors to present this program dealing with child abuse and neglect throughout the school system. Until 2009, the program consisted of three vignettes featuring puppets to show how children can suffer neglect, as well as physical, mental, and sexual abuse. The show starts off with a play on Cinderella – something just about every child can recognize as a bad situation “gone good” – Cinderella meets her Prince Charming and lives happily ever after.



In 2008, the Junior League of Winston-Salem received a grant from The Target Corporation to help fund a new portion of the puppet show: a fourth vignette focusing on the ever-evolving issue of internet predators and to create a DVD. The following school year, JLWS volunteers performed the four-vignette puppet show and provided the DVD recording to all elementary guidance counselors. With the DVD recording, guidance

counselors can determine if there is a need to show the message to smaller groups of children, children in a different grade outside of third grade, or at a different time of the year.

This League year, we are celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Puppet Show. To recognize this momentous milestone, the Puppet Show Ad Hoc committee is focused on engaging the membership in the signature project. This project will ask each member to sign up and participate in a show. If each member volunteers less than 3 hours of their time, the Junior League of Winston-Salem can continue its legacy of meaningful impact and child advocacy. Watch the eWeekly for a Sign-Up Genius link.



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General Membership Meetings

Finance & Communication

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

Membership

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

Community

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016

All meetings are at 6:30 pm in the Under the Stars Room at Children's Museum of Winston-Salem

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Letter from the President

Her Story



It's going to be an amazing year! As the League year kicks into full swing, I'm energized and excited to see all the plans already unfolding. With more than 40 new members, 200 actives, and 500 sustainers, the Junior League of Winston-Salem has depth and tradition of women building a better community.

This year's theme is "Her Story" - which celebrates the JLWS history, signature projects and initiatives. We are celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Child Abuse Puppet Show, the 2nd anniversary of BookWORM and the 5th anniversary of the Women's Health Initiative. Even if these are not your placements, we invite you to

join us in celebrating by volunteering with one of these placements this year! Contact the community council to get involved!

Our first general membership meeting this year will be hosted in the Under the Stars room at the Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, which was the JLWS's 75th anniversary gift to the Winston-Salem community. Each of the councils will meet individually through the September and October timeframe as a way to network with others in the council, talk about council-specific information, and receive council-specific training and development. We hope this intimate setting will encourage small-group discussion similar to that experienced in a townhall setting. We hope you'll attend and engage!

As always, on behalf of the entire JLWS board of directors, I want to sincerely thank you for your commitment to our organization. It is because of your dedication and hard work that the Junior League of Winston-Salem is able to continue writing "Her Story" of impact, change and bettering the community. The Board and I are here to support you in your efforts and encourage you to reach out any time with questions, comments, or ideas.

With deepest appreciation,

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

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Summer Board Brief

By Sarah Blackwell

The management portion of the JLWS Board of Directors met on June 27. Liz Noland, Strategic Planning Officer, reviewed the draft of the Annual Plan as it currently stood and set July 11th as the deadline for any feedback on the committee level. Membership council updated the group via e-mail on the status of the community placements and efforts to fill placements that are low on member involvement. Jackie Piscetelli, Finance AVP, talked about the new sponsorship chart that was created to provide consistency across JLWS fundraising efforts.

Lauren Rogers, Community AVP, detailed efforts being made to fill Puppet Show dates with volunteers. Kimberlee Blaylock, Communications AVP, updated the group on the status of switching from FatCow to Gmail. Jen DeGuzman, Volunteer Development Chair, reviewed plans for the Leadership Dinner scheduled for August 22nd. Lisa Aft, Sustaining Advisor to the Board, detailed her plans for keeping all sustainers updated on upcoming events and volunteer needs. Dates were discussed for the fall GMM, which will be split out into three meetings of specific councils: Finance and Communications on 9/19, Membership 9/26, and Community 10/3. Finally, Aimee Rowe, President-Elect, shared valuable lessons learned at the AJLI meeting in Atlanta.

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The Annual Plan & Why It Matters

By Liz Noland

CONFESION TIME – Prior to becoming the incoming Strategic Planning Officer, I had never laid eyes on the JLWS’s Strategic or Annual Plans. This wasn’t because they were hidden away somewhere—they are posted right there on our website, under Publications. Rather, it was because I did not realize how inextricably linked they were to the work and activities in which I was taking part through the JLWS.

To quote our website, “The Strategic Plan is a document that assists the JLWS to accomplish its long range goals and multi-year initiatives. The Annual Plan includes the steps that will be taken in a particular year that will move the JLWS toward the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan.” We are entering

year two of our three-year 2015-2018 Strategic Plan. The 2016-2017 plan will be posted as soon as it has been approved by the Board.

The action steps in this year’s Annual Plan—drafted over the past six months with input from the Board of Directors, outgoing and incoming committee leaders, and incoming committee members—will guide your councils and committees on the work they do for the next nine months. Furthermore, they will ensure that the JLWS is on track to meet the overarching goals set out in our multi-year Strategic Plan. The Long Range Planning committee members—myself, Rachel Johnson, and Mollie Mayse—will attend the four councils’ meetings throughout the year to ensure that they are following up on their

respective action steps.

I encourage all members to visit the Publications tab of our website and check out our Strategic Plan and Annual Plan; the 2016-17 plan will be posted as soon as it has been approved by the Board. These documents will help inform you of not only your committee’s and council’s initiatives for the year, but also the overall direction of the JLWS and the steps we are taking to stay in line with our mission. If you have questions or thoughts, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at longrangeplanning@jlws.org. Every member’s feedback is valuable as we track our progress on this year’s Annual Plan, and begin to look ahead to the 2017-18 Annual Plan!

Membership



Ask Your Member-at-Large

Jennifer Conrad

Question:

Is everyone in the Junior League in a council and if so how do I know which one I am in?

Answer:

Everyone is in a council and actually you will be attending the first GMM based on what council you are in. Below are the councils and who falls under each.

Community Council

Backpack Program
Brenner FIT Family Meals Made Easy
Children's Museum
Crosby Scholars
Girls on the Run
Goler Community Garden
JLWS BookWORM
JLWS Women's Health
JLWS Puppet Show
Kids in the Kitchen

Communications Council

Historian/Photography
Marketing & PR
Technology
Publications

Finance Council

Boutique
Fund Development
In League Sponsorships
Grant Development
Tour of Fine Spaces

Membership Council

First Year Active Program
League Linkers
New Member Development
Placement Liaisons
Programs & Arrangements
Transfer Liaison

Active Member Profile

Katherine Vogler



Hometown: Raleigh, NC

Family: Husband, John. Son, William (18 months); Baby Vogler due in September

Profession: Assistant Marketing Manager, HanesBrands

Hobbies: Spending time with my family, fly fishing, snow skiing, music

Years in the JLWS and Current Placement: 4th year in JLWS; Current Placement: Chair of Fund Development

Reason for Joining the JLWS: Being new to town, joining JLWS was a great way to surround myself with intelligent, capable women that I knew had my same interests at heart, and the long-standing history of the organization proves we are continuing to do great work in the community. Joining JLWS allowed me to continue enhancing my skills and talents while enriching the community I call home.

Neat Fact About Yourself: One of my first and favorite jobs was as a ski instructor to toddlers

Place You've Enjoyed Traveling: Colorado is always a favorite, but I hope to continue traveling to new places and experiencing new cultures! But nothing beats traveling to see family no matter where you have to go!

Favorite Placement: Each placement is new and exciting in it's own way. I love Fund Development because it's been entrepreneurial in nature and an opportunity to develop a new placement. I've enjoyed working on different committees because I meet and become friends with women who have different perspectives and talents to offer.

Fondest JLWS Memory: Volunteering at my first Rummage Sale. I remember looking around at all the amazing volunteers and being so proud to be part of an organization that could benefit so many people. It was amazing to see the impact right in front of us, and I am thrilled to have had that experience.

Favorite Quote: "Be yourself. Everyone else is taken." ~ Oscar Wilde

Transfer Member Profiles

Alyson Bailey | Sustainer



1. Where you transferred from: Charlotte

2. Why you moved: Proactive move to be in town with parents to spend more time together and help when needed down the road.

3. How long you have been involved with the Junior League: Joined the JLC in 2002 and was an active for 10 years in communications-related placements, Management Team, Nominating Chair and Board of Directors. Was a sustaining advisor to the Communication Council and served again on the board as sustaining member-at-large.

4. Interesting Fact: Volunteered at a garden and bird sanctuary in Charlotte called Wing Haven; I helped with branding and other marketing/communication things. I love to garden!

Marycobb Reeves | Active



1. Where you transferred from: Transferred from the Junior League of Richmond. Was initially accepted into the Raleigh chapter then spent a year with the Dallas chapter before moving to Richmond, VA.

2. Why you transferred: While my husband and I have both lived in Winston-Salem during different times in our lives before meeting each other, our recent move back to the area is for his role with BB&T. We're excited to be back!

3. How long you have been involved with the Junior League: Since 2012.

4. Interesting Fact: 1. I am named after both of my grandmothers, both had a first name of Mary, one with maiden name Cobb, the other with maiden name Brabham which is my maiden middle name. 2. After a career in public and corporate accounting, I'm going back to school for interior design and oh so excited about it!

Message from the Placement Liaison Team

What a great start to the 2016-2017 Junior League year! We hope everyone had a great summer and have heard from their Committee Chairs. If you haven't, that is one reason why we are here.

We, **Elizabeth Dampier, Dudley Commander** and **Amber Kirkman**, are your placement liaison team for the year. If you have been around for a while, you will remember phone call interviews and emails, but we've heard from you and that the process could be better. Things are changing this year.

Elizabeth Dampier is the Placement Liaison Chair this year and her major role is to keep Digital Cheetah updated with where each Junior League member is placed. She will also be working on the placement brochure and assigning placements in the spring.

Dudley Commander is the Transfer Liaison this year, so if you are new to the League, she will be in touch with you to help you get your placement, schedule an orientation to the Junior League here in Winston-Salem and is your all around go-to person for any questions you may have.

Amber Kirkman is the Placement Coordinator and she is the "HR Guru" for the Junior League this year. If you have any questions, concerns or just want to talk to someone about your placement or other experience, Amber is your go-to person. If you haven't heard from your chair, need to know about options due to an upcoming life change or have another concern, Amber has the resources to guide you. Amber is always available via email and will be establishing office hours at the Junior League headquarters where you can meet with her, call her and know you will receive a response to a question.

We are excited to be working with you this year to ensure everyone has an excellent Junior League and placement experience. We will be working with the New Member group in the spring on the Placement Fair as well as looking towards placements for the upcoming year. We are here to help you through this Junior League year and support you to make it great. Please reach out to us – we are eager to hear from you!

Membership

2016–2017 Board of Directors



Katy Ringeman: *President*

Hometown: Oak Ridge, NC
Education: BA in Arts, NC State University
Family: Husband, Tim, 3 daughters -- Lillie, Clara, and Tess (5,2,10 mo)
Past JLWS Placements: President-Elect, Membership AVP & VP, League Linkers, Boutique, Helping Hands

Other Community Involvement: Kernersville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Past President Professional Women of Winston-Salem, Past Kernersville YMCA Board of Directors, Children's Museum of Winston-Salem Soiree Silent Auction Committee, Hospice Luncheon Table Chair, Oak Ridge Presbyterian Church Preschool Volunteer, Member of The Summit Church



Aimee Rowe: *President-Elect*

Hometown: Spring, TX (until 13) and Bel Air, MD (until 19) then I moved all over for work !!! Always a hard one for me to answer!!!
Education: Elon College 1992 BA in marketing/management
Family: Married to Greg for 15 years. 2 dogs & 2 cats

Past JLWS Placements: Puppet Show, Community AVP & VP, nominating, marketing
Other Community Involvement: Forsyth Humane Society



Sarah Blackwell: *Administrative VP*

Hometown: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: B.A. from North Carolina State University
Family: Husband Drew and Daughter Caroline, 7, and son James, 4
Past JLWS Placements: Chat and Snack and Chair of BookWorm Spring and Fall Collections

Other Community Involvement: Ardmore United Methodist Church, Whitaker Elementary, Knollwood Preschool



Lindsay Stanley: *Communications VP*

Hometown: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: B.S. NC State
Family: Husband, Blake; Daughter, McCall; Son, Worth (2 months) and dog, Milly
Past JLWS Placements: Children's Museum, Marketing & PR- Asst. Chair and Chair

Other Organizations Involved With: Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, Friends of Brenner Children's Hospital, Centenary United Methodist Church and the Ronald McDonald House



Kimberlee Blaylock: *Communications AVP*

Hometown: Greenwood, SC
Education: B.S. Medical Technology, Clemson University; M.S. Clinical Laboratory Science, Medical University of South Carolina; M.M.S. Physician Assistant Studies, Wake Forest School of Medicine
Family: Husband Justin Blaylock, Children Raegan (7),

Reeves (2), Dog Rosie
Past JLWS Placements: Camp Carousel, Big Brother Big Sister, Technology, Technology Assistant Chair, Technology Chair x 2 years, AVP Communications
Other Community Involvement: Triad Girls on the Run Coach 2014-2016, Whitaker Elementary School Volunteer



Charmon Baker: *Community VP*

Hometown: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: BS in Financial Management UNCG
Family: Married to Michael Baker, I have 3 sons Michael, Trey and Bryce
Past JLWS Placements: Technology Committee, My Aunt's House, Center for Smart Financial Choices,

Community AVP, Community VP
Other Community Involvement: Member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Board member of Delta Fine Arts Center, Past Board Member of the YWCA, Past Board Member of the Kernersville YMCA



Lauren Rogers: *Community AVP*

Hometown: Bennettsville, SC
Education: Currently working on my second master's degree at Columbia University
Family: Loving, Loud, and Boisterous
Past JLWS Placements: Rummage Sale and Girls on the Run

Other Community Involvement: Loyal fan of the Piedmont Opera



Susan Colon: *Finance VP*

Hometown: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: BA, NC State University
Family: Husband Raul, Son Brayden (3) and Daughter Leah (1)
Past JLWS Placements: Girls on the Run, Tour of Fine Spaces, Big Brother Big Sister, Boutique, AVP Finance

Other Community Involvement: Women's Council (Novant), Young Leaders United Way, Children's Museum Soiree, Winston Salem Regional Association of Realtors, Reynolda Church



Jaclyn Piscetelli: *Finance AVP*

Hometown: Hopewell, NJ
Education: BA in Finance and MS in Accountancy from Wake Forest University
Family: My husband, Mike, and my children, Ava (3 years) and Thomas (14 months)
Past JLWS Placements: Boutique and Fund

Development

Other Community Involvement: St Paul's Bazaar Treasurer



Amanda Marshall: *Membership VP*

Hometown: Wilmington, NC
Education: Bachelor of Arts in Communication/Public Relations from N.C. State
Family: Husband: Grant and Dog: Hoss
Past JLWS Placements: Programs and Arrangements, New Member Development, Marketing and

PR, Chat and Snack

Other Community Involvement: Member of Ardmore Baptist Church, Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina



Alison Grein: *Membership AVP*

Hometown: Asheboro, NC
Education: Undergraduate degree UNC-Chapel Hill, Master's degree Appalachian State University
Family: Husband, Tim Grein; Daughter Lillabeth, 3-1/2 years old; dogs: Marley (siberian husky) and Reagan (shit-tzu)

Past JLWS Placements: New member mentor, Placement Liaison, Placement liaison assistant chair and chair

Other Community Involvement: Sunday school teacher at First Presbyterian High Point, teacher for 12 years in Guilford County Schools



Elizabeth Noland: *Strategic Planning Officer*

Hometown: Lynchburg, VA
Education: Dartmouth College (B.A.), University of Illinois (Master of Library and Information Science)
Family: Husband Ben, daughter Hattie (4.5 yrs), sons Lewis (2.5 yrs) and Peter (4 months), black lab Petunia aka "Tunes"

Past JLWS Placements: Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, Bridge Builders, Grant Development

Other Community Involvement: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Paul's Preschool, Friends of Brenner Children's Hospital, Children's Museum of Winston-Salem Storybook Soiree



Jen DeGuzman: *Volunteer Development Chair*

Hometown: Winston-Salem, NC
Education: UNCW
Family: Both of my parents live in town and my younger sister, Stephanie, lives in NY and is thinking of joining the Syracuse League :)

Past JLWS Placements: GOTR, Placements/Arrangements, NM Mentor, Volunteer Development Chair

Other Community Involvement: Habitat Young Professionals, Thursday Night Kickball, WFU Intramurals, Chi Omega Alumnae, Chi Omega National Recruitment Team



Brandi Cleveland: *Nominating Chair*

Hometown: Birmingham, AL
Education: BS, Hotel & Restaurant Management- Auburn University & MS, Hospitality- Auburn University
Family: Husband- Chad, Oliver (son)- 6 years old, and Madeline (daughter) 18 months old

Past JLWS Placements: Boo Bash (committee member & chair), Programs & Arrangements (chair), Rummage committee, Boutique (GNO chair & event co-chair), Nominating (committee and now chair)

Other Community Involvement: Arts Based School, Messiah Moravian Preschool, Ronald McDonald, Brenner Children's Hospital



Lisa Aft: *Sustainer VP*

Hometown: Brick, NJ
Education: BA from Clemson University, MALS from Wake Forest
Family: Husband Eric, Children: son Avery is 22, daughter Claire is 15
Past JLWS Placements: Reading at Easton,

Sustainer Council - Community. (Past Junior Leagues: Junior League of Bristol & Junior League of Lynchburg (past president).

Other Community Involvement: Girl Scout Leader, ECW Council at St. Paul's; Rural Hall Historic Train Depot and Railroad Museum; Reagan HS Athletic Booster Club; Rotary



Jennifer Conrad: *Member-at-Large*

Hometown: Winston Salem, NC
Education: NC State University - major was Landscape Horticulture
Family: Husband - DJ, Son - Hank he is 2 and dog - Salem

Past JLWS Placements: Tour of Kitchens - Chair in Atlanta, Tour of Fine Spaces, Program and Arrangements Chair, Brenner Fit Beautiful Me and Meals made easy, Member at Large

Other Community Involvement: Evergreen Garden Club, Centenary United Methodist Church

Frequently Asked Questions

By Susan Colon and Jacqlyn Piscetelli

What are the primary sources of income for the Junior League of Winston-Salem?

The Junior League of Winston-Salem (JLWS) has four primary sources of income: (1) membership dues, (2) fundraiser obligations, (3) fundraiser events and (4) sponsorships and annual giving.

What is the annual membership dues structure of the JLWS?

Each year, members of JLWS pay dues to serve in the organization. Annual membership dues are \$150 for provisional members, \$150 for active members and \$135 for sustainers under the age of 65 and are due by March 1st for the following league year. Failure to pay annual dues by the due date may result in removal from membership.

What are the JLWS's main fundraising events?

The JLWS relies on two chief fundraisers to raise much needed funds to support our work in the community. Fundraisers for the 2016-2017 JLWS year include Boutique and Tour of Fine Spaces. Boutique generates its income from ticket sales, vendor booth fees and sponsorships. Tour of Fine Spaces generates its income from ticket sales and sponsorships.

What are my obligations as an active or provisional member in regards to fundraisers? As a sustainer?

All members are also responsible for contributing to the success of our fundraisers. As such, all active and provisional members are required to fulfill a fundraising obligation. The fundraising obligation includes two tickets to Boutique Girls' Night Out and two tickets to Tour of Fine Spaces. The active or provisional member may choose to use these tickets herself or sell them to someone else. While sustainers do not have a fundraising obligation, they are encouraged to support the ongoing initiatives and fundraisers of the JLWS. Similar to annual dues, a failure to fulfill the fundraising obligation may result in removal from membership.

What is the role of sponsorships and annual giving?

The JLWS continues to develop relationships and partnerships with our membership, the community and local businesses. We value the support and gifts of individuals and organizations who give generously to our organization. Sponsorships from local businesses

and donations through the annual fund are critical for supporting the JLWS's mission.

How does the JLWS use the funds generated from Boutique and Tour of Fine Spaces?

The JLWS utilizes funds generated from its income sources for the following: (1) dues required to be paid to The Association of Junior Leagues, (2) administrative expenses, (3) member training and development, (4) expenses associated with our fundraisers and (5) expenses allocated to our community projects.

As a member of The Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI), the JLWS is required to remit dues of \$43 per member. The dues paid to AJLI support specific initiatives and programming as it relates to organizational development, branding, and community and civic leadership development.

Administrative expenses represent those costs associated with running the organization. These include, but are not limited to, rent, payroll, insurance, office equipment and supplies, postage, utilities, and bank and merchant fees.

One important aspect of the JLWS mission is "to improve the community through....leadership of trained volunteers". In doing so, the JLWS allocates expenses each year to provide a variety of training opportunities for our membership.

The JLWS fundraisers – Boutique and Tour of Fine Spaces – incur expenses in connection with organizing and executing the event. The JLWS expects our fundraisers to be self-sustaining. As such, all expenses related to our fundraisers are covered by the fundraisers' income.

The remaining revenue is allocated to our community projects and the funds are used based on the needs of that project. Our community projects include the Backpack Program, BookWorm, Brenner FIT – Family Meals Made Easy, Crosby Scholars, Girls on the Run, Gohler Community Garden, JLWS Puppet Show, JLWS Women's Health, Kids in the Kitchen, and The Children's Museum of Winston-Salem.

If I have finance related questions, who should I contact?

You can send questions your questions to **Susan Colon**, Finance VP, at financevp@jlws.org or **Jackie Piscetelli**, Assistant Finance VP, at assistantfinancevp@jlws.com.

Congratulations to the New Member Class!

Kiersten Bowman
 Christine Duvall
 Diane Green
 Paige Hass
 Ashley Hauser
 Kathleen Hurley
 Kathryn Ballard
 Claire Melancon
 Michelle Marchessault
 Rachel Severance
 Rebekah Smyth
 Taylor DuBois
 Amyia Hardy
 Kristen Nance
 Erica Denoyer
 Lilly Dodd
 Elise Nechtman
 Gina Falco
 Holly Schmidlin

Jordan Staples
 Lauren Hickman
 Michelle Anderson
 Kristie Moesner
 Courtney Peters
 Brooke Keit
 Jackie Brown
 Courtney Randleman
 Gia DiGiacobbe
 Shannon Gretz
 Heather Childers
 Laura Henry
 Sarah Jones
 Mary White Martin
 Kristen McKinney
 Melissa Hughes
 Jennifer Ong
 Lee Saunders
 Abby Bagliani

Caroline Workman
 Rebecca Crago
 Elizabeth Earle
 Emily Herbert
 Melody Miller
 Marshall Early
 Emily Parker
 Molly Rhodes
 Nicole Rudiger
 Cameron Smith
 Ashley Stott
 Allison Thornton

Key Dates

NMM#1: Seminar

September 10, 2016
 Location: Forsyth Country Club
 Time: 8:30am-2pm

NMM#2: Bookworm Sorting

October 17, 2016
 Location: JLWS Wormhole
 Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

NMM#3: Placement Fair

February 27, 2017
 Location: TBD
 Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

NMM#4: Town Halls

Week of April 16-22, 2017
 Location and Time: TBD



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New Member Profiles

Elise Nechtman

Education: B.S., University of Alabama

Employment: Banking Officer, BB&T

Hobbies: Cooking, dining out, travel, hiking, sailing, Alabama and New Orleans Saints Football

Reason for joining the JLWS: I would like to join JLWS because I am relatively new to Winston Salem and want to give back to the community while meeting like-minded women.

Have dinner with one person: Anthony Bourdain – He has traveled everywhere and has eaten everything, and also he has overcome some rough times in his past. He is a big fan of New Orleans (my hometown) and it would be interesting to sit and talk with him about New Orleans, his past travels, and how food and culture intertwine and play such a major role in different places around the world.



Emily Parker

Education: B.A., Roanoke College

Employment: Listing Administrator/ Broker, Leonard Ryden Burr

Hobbies: Cooking and baking, traveling, entertaining, reading, fitness, walks with my dog

Reason for joining the JLWS: My desire to join the Junior League of Winston-Salem is primarily rooted in a love for the community. I grew up in Winston, and having recently moved back home I am eager to get more involved in a community that is so dear to me. I really appreciate the Junior League's mission to build strong bonds and a strong community.

Have dinner with one person: Sandra Day O'Connor – Though I am not in the field of law, my mother is, and she took me to see Justice O'Connor speak at Wake Forest when I was 13. At the time, I did not understand the magnitude of who was in front of me. I now realize the bravery and determination it took to enter a professional circle that prior to her was only made up of men. I would love to sit down with her and hear about her journey.



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2016 Leadership Dinner

By Jen deGuzman



The Volunteer Development Committee held its annual Leadership Dinner on Monday, August 22, at the Wake Forest School of Business. The event had a different training format and was a way for leaders to kick off their league year more energized and educated. There were 3 breakout sessions, which included the following:

1. Katy's Corner

JLWS President, Katy Ringeman, facilitated a town hall type of conversation, asking members what they needed from the board year in order to be successful leaders. Items such as the annual plan and the new GMM format (for the September/October meetings) were discussed.

2. Communications 101

Technology Chair, Megan Davis, and Communications AVP, Kimberlee Blaylock, presented on a variety of topics surrounding communication throughout the league. This included Digital Cheetah, AJLI resources, our transition from Fatcow to Gmail, and the EWeekly, which will now go out on Wednesdays instead of Mondays. They also reminded leaders to utilize JLWS social media (Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook). Don't forget that the JLWS official hashtag is #WomenBuildingABetterWS

3. Defining Her-Story

Wake Forest faculty member, Heidi Robinson, took this year's theme, Her-Story, and wove it into an exercise where she invited participants to



think about their goals in life, and in the league, by envisioning the future. Women were asked to consider what they want to be remembered for at the end of their lives and what their lives look like at that time (are they living independently, spending time with grandchildren, still mobile, etc.). Then, members were asked to subtract

5 years. Heidi asked women to think about what they need to be doing 5 years from their final age in order to have the quality of life that they want at the end. Participants kept subtracting 5 years and repeating the exercise until they reached their current age. This activity translated nicely into goal-setting for our leadership roles because the JLWS will turn 100 years old in 2023. Questions were asked such as,

“What do we want to be known for on our 100th anniversary? What impactful projects do we want to be engaged in then?” If we subtract 5 years from 2023, we

get 2018. We were asked, “What do we need to be doing in 2018 that ensures we will be where we want in 2023?” The conversation with Heidi was powerful and definitely left leaders empowered to start their year by making a difference in league and in the WS community.

AJLI: A Resource Treasure-Trove

By **Ethanie Good**

It's likely there is one excellent benefit to your JLWS membership that you're not taking advantage of! Many members are not aware that they have access- right now!- to the treasure-trove of a resource library on the Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI) website. Your login information is the same username and password that you use to login to the JLWS member portal.

I browsed the topics available inside the Resource Library, and I found a variety of materials which can be immensely helpful to In-League Committee projects, Community Placements, and even your own careers. Hundreds of toolkits, templates, articles, and reports are available in multiple collections, including:

- ◆ Community Impact
- ◆ Fund Development
- ◆ Organizational Management
- ◆ Childhood Nutrition & Fitness
- ◆ Literacy
- ◆ Diversity & Inclusion
- ◆ And More!

The Resource Library is just one piece of AJLI Member Central, which includes additional online training courses, webinars, and best practices. You're sure to find great information to help make your next Junior League project a success! Visit ajli.org and find the Member Login link at the top of the webpage to get started.

Welcome to our new and returning "Community Council" chairs:

Backpack, *Emily Saunders*

BookWorm, *Jennifer Baker*

Brenner Fit, *Kathryn Vernon*

Children's Museum, *Abby Plonk*

Crosby Scholars, *Laura Leigh Oyler*

Girls on the Run, *Emily Williams*

Goler Garden, *Katie Belter*

Kids in the Kitchen, *Isa Smelcher*

Puppet Show, *Facilitator Angie Huffman*

Women's Health, *Lindsay Hodgson*

Crosby Scholars, *Laura Leigh Oyler*

*Let's paint the town Junior League BLUE this year
and show our commitment to our community!*



*Pictured: Chef Don,
Junior League Members
Danielle Kattan,
Katie Belter,
Christa Burger*

From creating fun activities for children at local festivals like the Apple and Que Pasa festivals and cooking with Chef Don and Kids in the Kitchen to performing over 80 puppet shows for area third-graders, to launching our newest community event, the Women's Health Fair at Kimberly Park Elementary, the JLWS commitment to our community is STRONG! We are poised to have a fantastic year in the community. Stay tuned for details and come out to support the JLWS in various community activities.

Meet the 2016-2017 Sustainer Council

Lisa Aft, Chair

Sarah Dalrymple, Communications Chair

Heather Egan, Community Chair

Stacy Owens, Membership Chair

Jill Rhoades, Finance Chair

The Council meets monthly; its mission is to engage and inform Sustainers. In addition, social and training events are planned, interest groups are supported, and volunteer opportunities are promoted so the interests of each and every Sustainer are met. If you have questions, suggestions, comments or would like to get involved, please contact sustainers@jlws.org



Sustainer attends AJLI conference

Lisa Aft, 2016-2017 Chair of the Sustainer Council, attended the spring 2016 AJLI conference in Atlanta. Aft says of the experience, “I attended the AJLI conference with President, Katy Ringeman, and President Elect,

Aimee Rowe. The conference was exciting and informative. It was great to learn about what other Leagues are doing to impact their communities. There was a specific track for Sustainers. It was very motivating to hear about how much the Sustainer population means not only to their individual Leagues, but to AJLI as a whole. There is great value in our experience and wisdom and I am so grateful to be able to personally bring this message back to the Junior League of Winston-Salem Sustainers.”

Sustaining Matters

Sustaining Matters, published quarterly, is a newsletter targeted to Sustainers. The summer issue was mailed to each Sustainer household in late August. If you did not receive a copy, please contact Nancy or Angie at JLWS headquarters at 336-722-9681 and they will be happy to assist you.

The fall, winter and spring issues will be sent electronically, so please make sure we have your updated e-mail address.

The Junior League of Winston-Salem

would like to extend its appreciation to

ANGIE MURPHREY

for her years of service

to **Puppet Show**.

She was a guiding force

early on and now 30 years later serves as the Sustaining Advisor.

Thanks for your dedication to

Puppet Show!

Sustainers

Book Clubs

The evening Sustainer's Book Club meets on the **second Tuesdays of odd months** in homes of Sustainers this September, November, January, March and May at 7:00 pm. For questions regarding the Sustainer Evening Book Club, contact **Kellon Tippett**.

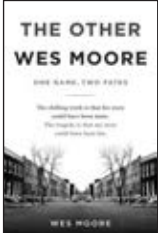
EVENING - 7:00 PM



September 13, 2016

Kellon Tippett, 3008 University Rd.
Tinderbox: A Novel,
Lisa Gornick

- **November 15, 2016**
- **Margaret Brock**, 1105 Wetherburn Ct.
- *Notorious RBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg*,
- **Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik**



January 10, 2017

Susan Pfefferkorn, 200 Hadley Ct.
The Other,
Wes Moore

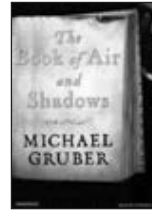
- **March 14, 2017**
- **TBD**
- *A Place at the Table*,
- **Susan Rebecca White**



May 9, 2017

Katherine Memory, 3222 Merion Ct.
Delta Wedding,
Eudora Welty

DAY - 9:30 AM



August 24, 2016

Lynn Howland, 793 Oaklawn Ave.
The Book of Air and Shadows,
Michael Gruber

- **October 26, 2016**
- **Megan Lawson**, 250 Stanaford Rd.
- *At the Edge of the Orchard*,
- **Tracey Chevalier**



February 22, 2017

K. Wood, 8485 Lismore St., Clemmons
Sisi: Empress on Her Own,
Allison Pataki

- **April 26, 2017**
- **Chris McFadden**, 314 Buckingham Rd.
- *My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry*,
Fredrik Backman

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Sustainer Information
Contributed by Sarah Dalrymple

 **Junior League Transitions**

Transfer In From:

Marian Steele - Charlotte, NC
Kelly Sorcher - St. Louis, MO
Alyson Bailey - Charlotte, NC
Rebecca Harper - Greenville, SC
Marycobb Reeves - Richmond, VA
Catherine Thompson - Denver, CO
Gay Kimberly - High Point, NC

Transfer Out To:

Kara Thompson - Raleigh, NC
Lauren Polli - Charleston, SC
Bonny Morris - Richmond, VA
Erin Herringa - Grand Rapids, MI
Jessica Armstrong - Orlando, FL
Myranda Reitmeier - Charlotte, NC
Hilary Walker - Portland, OR
Katherine Holland - Boston, MA
Melissa Olney - Charlottesville, VA
Anna Mickleberry - Greensboro, NC
Stacey Walker - Raleigh, NC
Valerie VonIsenburg - Durham, NC
Kimberly Jennings - Charlotte, NC
Holly Bertoncini Kelton - Raleigh, NC
Eleanor Scott Davis - Raleigh, NC

 **Marriages**

Abby Rudd & Brian Sights
 April 23, 2016

 **Little Junior Leaguers**

Owen Alexander Harrelson
 May 21, 2016
 Andrea and Adam Harrelson

Worth Peyton Stanley
 June 24, 2016
 Lindsay and Blake Stanley

Hazel Kathryn Boglioli
 July 13, 2016
 Sarre and Steve Boglioli

Claire Regina Hodgson
 July 16, 2016
 Lindsay and Alan Hodgson

Emery Charlotte Elliott
 July 29, 2016
 Mary Ellen and Scott Elliott

 **Member Milestones**

Active Member **Lauren Rogers** was promoted to Dean of Students at Salem Academy.

Csilla Doby was promoted to Business Continuity Plan Administrator at Truliant Federal Credit Union.

Please e-mail any additions to headquarters@jlws.org

Leadership Words of Wisdom

"I truly believe that you get out of each experience what you put into it. So, love what you do and do what you love."

JLWS President,
KATY RINGEMAN



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