

## BookWORM 101

The North Carolina Read to Achieve Program, which became effective at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year, set a goal to ensure that every student read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. The Junior League of Winston-Salem believes that as an organization, helping our community achieve this goal is absolutely critical.

61% of low-income families have no books at all in their homes for their children. The most successful way to improve the reading achievement of low-income children is to increase their access to print. A

single, brief exposure to good reading material can result in a clear increase in enthusiasm for reading.

The mission of BookWORM is to collect new and gently used books from our members and the greater community and to facilitate their distribution to children who have limited or no access to books in their homes. We have partnered with several community organizations to assist us in distributing these books to those children most in need. Our partners include Smart Start of Forsyth County, IMPRINTS, Augustine Literacy Project, El Buen Pastor and Second Harvest Kids Cafe.

BookWORM officially launched in September 2014 with a JLWS member collection. Members were responsible for contributing 10 gently used or three new children's books and could do so at the September GMM or via Amazon wish lists established by each partner organization. The September collection netted over 1700 books, a really exciting start! Our partner organizations are already handing out some of these books to the children they serve. BookWORM has a new home, officially named the wormhole, downtown at 305 West Fourth Street. The BookWORM committee has been busy organizing and shelving books this Fall and just welcomed partners for a special Open House in December.

In Spring 2015, BookWORM will launch the community portion of the drive. All active members (optional for those members who have completed more than five active years) and new members will set out on Saturday, April 18, 2015 to their assigned street within their own neighborhood and pass out grocery bags to each house. The following Saturday, April 25, 2015 members will return to their assigned street and collect any children's books their neighbors have to donate. With this effort, the BookWORM shelves will be stocked and the Winston Salem community will know that the Junior League of Winston Salem is committed to supporting our students to achieve their best.

Members are responsible for collecting 30 grocery bags to use in the book collection. Members will pick up information packets, including the paperwork to be passed out with each bag, at the March GMM. Street assignments will be released prior to March 23, 2015. Any questions or concerns can be emailed to [bookworm@jlws.org](mailto:bookworm@jlws.org).

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## January General Membership Meeting

**Monday, January 26, 2015**

(Voting Meeting)

Novant Health: Forsyth Medical Center  
Conference Center

(Free Parking in Visitor's Parking Deck)

6:30 p.m. - Social

7:00 p.m. - Membership Meeting

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# Letter from the President



Happy New Year! I hope you and your family have had a wonderful holiday season and 2015 has started off well. Every New Year is a great opportunity for all of us to reflect on goals or plans. What do you want to accomplish this year? What accomplishments were you proud of in 2014 that you can continue in 2015? A little reflection can go a long way when setting your goals.

For me, I am half way through my tenure of being president. The Board of Directors has worked diligently towards our goals on the Annual Plan. As a collective Board we have worked together trying to improve transparency for our membership, greater membership satisfaction, and ensure that

our placements align with our mission. There have been many meetings and discussions working towards these goals.

The kickoff of our new community project, BookWORM, began with a bang of books given by our members and to be distributed to our partners. This is a great accomplishment, but there are still questions about our new project so we will work together to do better job explaining the goals for BookWORM to the membership. Every member of the JLWS should have all the answers needed about this important signature project. Our fifth Boutique raised more money than ever before. This is a great success for the JLWS. The women have had the foresight as a committee to reflect on what could be improved next year. These two projects are great examples of how a little reflection goes a long way in our success.

It is hard to believe but soon the incoming Board will start planning and have the big picture conversations of: Who we are? What are our strengths? Are we doing what we want to be doing? Following those discussions the multi-year strategic plan is reviewed and then an implementation plan, which contains our resolutions, is developed that will be the roadmap for next year. We would be far less productive if our tasks were not driven by our organization's mission. A new Board element will be a mid-year day retreat for the incoming and current Board. The hope is that by working together there will be a greater continuity of current goals and future goals. This will be a great training opportunity for outgoing/current/future board members working together.

One document the Board has looked to many times this year is the end of the year survey many of you filled out at the end of last year. You spoke and we are listened. This year at the January General Membership Meeting there will be no speaker. Instead we will focus on the business at hand. It is a voting meeting and there will be a lot to vote on. The membership will vote on the slate for the incoming Board, the finance package, and also the creation of the Sustainer Council. It is vital that as a member of the JLWS you attend this meeting so that your voice can be heard.

Writing this article has given me a little time to reflect on all that has happened so far in our league year. My heart is full with pride and gratitude for all of the experiences that we have had together thus far. There is nothing better than welcoming new members in September, organizing books together, working with Sustainers and being your president. There is still so much work to be done and I am so humbled by this opportunity. I hope that this article will entice you to take a moment and reflect on what you want to accomplish in 2015.

Happy New Year!

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## October 2014 Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on October 15, 2014 at JLWS Headquarters. After approving the agenda and the minutes from September the Board discussed several issues. Carrie Ross led the group in a training exercise on how to have a difficult conversation. A photography release was distributed and signed by the Board members. Elizabeth Dampier gave a Finance report, including a P&L sheet and the status of Boutique. Elizabeth also brought a motion to the Board of Directors that pertains to pre-approval of expenses. The BOD voted in favor of the motion. Carrie Hileman provided a report from the prior Management Team meeting in Stephanie Moser's absence. This included discussion points such as Informer deadlines, finding new space after our lease expires with the Children's Museum, and modifying the Placement Liaison interviews. Katie Neal discussed the upcoming Town Halls and asked the councils to submit their questions. Christine shared some ideas with the BOD that other leagues are using in the effort to improve each member's experience. These ideas included implementing dashboard indicators, career pathing, and reviewing each other on multiple levels. This concluded the meeting.

## 2015-2016 Placement Opportunities

The 2015-2016 year will bring many new and fulfilling placement opportunities within the Junior League of Winston-Salem. Based on member feedback, our Placement Review Committee has made some exciting changes for both the community and In-League placements. The committee will be welcoming new placements that align perfectly within the JLWS mission, consolidating placements, and transitioning out of others. Membership AVP looks forward to voting alongside each of the member at January General Membership Meeting on these changes.

After new placements are voted on in January, the members will have an opportunity to learn more about them at the Placement Reception. This year the reception will be held at the Children's Museum on **February 17, 2015**. More details will be found in a future **E-Weekly**, however be sure to mark your calendars.

Please contact Membership AVP Carrie Hileman at [membershipavp@jlws.org](mailto:membershipavp@jlws.org) with any questions.

## Town Hall Feedback Appreciated

In October, Active members participated in Town Hall gatherings to share their feedback about how their year is going in the JLWS.

Town Hall common themes:

**Accountability** – When some members do not pull their weight or meet their obligations, it affects the morale and the impact of other committee members.

**Face-to-face social interaction** – Many members reported that opportunities to connect with other JLWS members – through placement activities, working at fundraising events and attending social events – was integral to their membership satisfaction.

**Meeting effectiveness** – By the nature of some placements, there

are committees and councils that do not get together often as others. So, when they do, members said it's important to make the most of that time (while also enjoying the camaraderie).

**Fundraiser package** – While a significant number of members said they wished a fundraiser package weren't necessary, many understood the need for additional revenue with the departure of the Rummage Sale. At the same time, many members expressed that a recent emphasis on finances has overshadowed other

aspects of the JLWS, including our impact on the community. Related topics included: paper tickets for fundraisers, alternatives to fundraiser packages and concern about annual fund donations (because of the package).

**Financial transparency** – Members said they appreciated the effort to improve financial transparency, though there was not a broad consensus on the best way to do this (at GMMs, in publications, online, etc.). However, everyone expressed an interest to understand JLWS financials

better so that they can make more informed decisions.

**Communication and branding** – Members had good ideas for ways the JLWS can improve its perception in the community and in the JLWS itself.

**Quality not quantity of placements** – Some members suggested that the JLWS is "spread too thin" in the community and that it consider which placements to keep during the placement review committee (PRC process) this year.

## General Membership Meeting Calendar

### Monday, January 26, 2015

(Voting Meeting)  
6:30 p.m. Social  
7:00 p.m. Meeting  
Novant Health: Forsyth Medical Center  
Conference Center

### Monday, March 23, 2015

6:30 p.m. Social  
7:00 p.m. Meeting  
Children's Museum of Winston-Salem

### Monday, May 18, 2015

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# Membership



## Ask Your Member-at-Large

Elizabeth Myers

### Question:

Hi! I just attended my first Girls Night Out event for Boutique and had a blast! I went because I had tickets through the fundraiser package. Initially I was skeptical of the package but I understand we need to shore up our finances and I appreciate the tickets we received. Is the finance package going to continue next year? If so could you tell me why?

### Answer:

I am so glad you had so much fun at Boutique! It is such a fun event and a great chance for our membership to come together and socialize and raise money to support our mission. I was there as well and want to say thank you to the committee. It was a wonderful event full of new shoppers and vendors. The ladies involved have continued to grow this event and we are seeing it gain some real traction in the community!

That being said, yes we will need to have a fundraiser package again next year. It will come up for a vote at the GMM in January. While both Boutique and the Tour of Fine spaces are growing, we still have a deficit left from the end of the Rummage Sale that needs to be filled until these fundraisers can cover the loss. The proposed fundraiser package (2015-2016) will bring in about \$30,000 needed to cover our operational costs and help fund our placements. The proposed ticket package is the same as the existing one. Each member is asked to pay \$100.00 for 2 Girls Night Out tickets, 2 Boutique tickets and 2 Tour of Fine Spaces tickets. However, as you now see the fundraising package isn't all about the money. By creating a ticket package instead of just increasing dues, the Board hopes to encourage more people to support our existing fundraisers. With tickets to Tour and Boutique we hope to see the number of JLWS attendees increase. These fundraisers are in place to create revenue to pay for all our other placements and support the rest of the JLWS mission. Plus they are so much fun!

I am already getting excited for the Tour of Fine Spaces. A little birdy tells me they had already secured 7 FANTASTIC houses for the Tour as of writing this article in December! So grab a friend and come use those tickets! As a reminder Tour is March 21, 2015.

### The JLWS Wants To Hear From You!

What has been your favorite In-League placement within the Junior League of Winston-Salem and what did you learn while in that position?

Since my provisional year I have had a number of opportunities to participate in placements internally within the Junior League of Winston-Salem. Of the placements I have participated in, I really enjoyed and gained a lot from leading the Volunteer Development Committee. This committee was a smaller group of women, so we had the opportunity to create a strong bond as we worked to plan and organize training events for the Junior League of Winston-Salem. This was also my first opportunity to serve in a leadership role within the JLWS.

Through leadership training I learned to run meetings efficiently and effectively, to empower other women around me, and to organize training events. The JLWS places a lot of emphasis on training volunteers in an effort to have maximum impact on the community, and I feel that I was very fortunate to have the opportunity to help with this process. I also enjoyed receiving feedback from the JLWS members as to the kinds of training they would find most beneficial, and then using that information to plan training opportunities accordingly. Overall, being on the Volunteer Development committee was one of the most rewarding placements I have had the opportunity in which to participate. - Active Member, Parker Tegeler

### Next issue the JLWS wants to know:

How do you teach the value of voluntarism with your children?

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## 2015-2016 JLWS Board of Directors Slate

It is with great enthusiasm that the Nominating committee announces the slate for the 2015-2016 JLWS Board of Directors. All Active members will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed Board of Directors at the January General Membership Meeting.

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## 2015-2016 Nominating Committee Slate

The Nominating committee is also pleased to announce those Active members who have been slated to join the 2015-2016 Nominating committee. All Active members will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed Nominating committee at the January General Membership Meeting.

### Elizabeth Myers, Carrie Ross, Abby Archer

The Nominating committee members who will be completing the second year of their 2-year term are: **Erin Moore, Aimee Rowe and Heather Wilson.**

Please contact Nominating chair, Hunter Douglas, at [nominating@jlws.org](mailto:nominating@jlws.org) or any current members of the committee with questions about the slate of officers, the Nominating committee slate, or the nominating process in general.

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## Transfer Spotlight: Heather Egan



Which Junior League did you transfer from? [I joined in Houston but spent most of my Active years at the Jr. League in Cincinnati.](#)

What positions did you hold in that Junior League? [Recording Secretary on the board, Nominating, and editor of the monthly newsletter. In Houston, I](#)

[taught CPR and worked the coffee cart at MD Anderson Cancer Center.](#)

What placement will you be participating in for the JLWS? [As a Sustainer, I get to do the fun stuff of the JLWS. So far, I've been to an evening book club, attended two luncheons, and a Sustainer reception at Boutique. I look forward to getting more involved with the Sustainers.](#)

Family: [Husband Peter and daughter Lilly.](#)

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time? [I love to read, exercise, and spend time outside.](#)

What are you enjoying about living in Winston-Salem so far? [The people are very friendly and welcoming. It is an easy city to navigate, and I love the proximity to the mountains.](#)

Where did you grow up? [I grew up in Greensburg, PA, a small town 35 miles east of Pittsburgh.](#)

What do you do for a living? [My background is in marketing, communications, and development. I am excited to have recently joined the development team at Novant Health Foundation Forsyth Medical Center.](#)

What accomplishments are you most proud of? [Raising my wonderful daughter.](#)

What do you enjoy about volunteering in your community? [My parents were very involved in the community, and they taught me the importance of volunteering at an early age. Volunteering gives me perspective of my role in the world; I love being part of something bigger than myself. Plus, I have made many wonderful friends through my volunteer work.](#)

## Membership

### JLWS Holiday Party



The Holiday Party was a success! The Junior League of Winston-Salem appreciates the hostess, President Christine Kelley Storch, the Board of Directors and all the members who helped organize the party and joined to rejoice the season, connect with one another and support the JLWS.

### March of Dimes Signature Chefs Event



Junior League women got together at the March of Dimes Signature Chefs event honoring Kate and Mark Reece.

JLWS women in attendance - Back row: Christine Kelley Storch, Stephanie Moser, Hunter Douglas, Elizabeth Dampier, Chef Claire Calvin, Leigh Sobel, Cate Lynch, Brandi Cleveland, Erin Mueller.

Front Row: Elizabeth Myers, Jennifer Baker, Kate Reece

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## New Members

### New Member Update:

The New Member class has had an active Fall. After the second New Member meeting at Goodwill, New Members have been busy decorating pumpkins, working at Boutique and participating in various holiday socials.

2015 not only starts off the New Year but the New Member Class will be able to provide feedback and offer suggestions during the annual New Member Town Halls. Town Halls will be taking place at various locations **Saturday, January 10, 2015** and **Tuesday, January 13, 2015**. Board Members have been invited to each to meeting.

On Tuesday, February 17, 2015 New Members will attend New Member Meeting #4 which also serves as the Placement Reception for all members of JLWS.

### Save the Date:

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

6:30 –7:00 pm New Member Meeting

7:00 pm Placement Reception for New Members and Active Members

The New Member Development committee thanks the New Member class for the hard work they put into Boutique and providing honest feedback during the New Member Town Halls. New Member feedback is essential for the JLWS to continue improving the New Member Development program.

## New Member Group Spotlight: Beyoncé’s Single Ladies



Left to right:  
Jane Garrity,  
Caroline Jackovich,  
Caroline Wray,  
Gray Allen,  
Mary Louise Shore,  
Alex Washington, and  
Jessica Armstrong



Brett Patterson is from Raleigh and is loving her first year as an active member in the Junior League of Winston-Salem. Though familiar with Winston-Salem as a Wake Forest graduate, Brett joined the League to meet new women and become more involved in the community outside of just the university. Brett’s New Member Group affectionately answers to the name “Beyoncé’s Single Ladies!” They are single, ready to mingle, and fierce when it comes to improving the Winston-Salem community! While Brett is not planning fun activities with her New Member Group, she

does marketing research at Bellomy Research and enjoys working on custom paintings through her Etsy shop, Bee Elle Pea.

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## Community

# Caring for Women's Unique Hearts

The Junior League of Winston-Salem is proud to have six committed members working with the Goler Community Garden throughout 2014-2015. The Goler Community Garden is located at the corner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Patterson Avenue at the Downtown Health Plaza (operated by Wake Forest Baptist Health).

The Garden was started in 2009 by a group of committed physicians and other community partners, in order to provide fresh produce, education and community development for local residents of the surrounding area, which is known as a "food desert". As a reminder, a food desert is defined as a "geographic area where affordable and nutritious food is difficult to obtain, particularly for those without access to an automobile." The Goler Community Garden strives to combat the dietary issues, such as diabetes, obesity and heart disease, of those individuals who lack fresh food options. The Goler Community Garden has established goals to not only provide a source of vegetables for the community but to also offer a resource for education about good nutrition and healthy eating. With the assistance and guidance of Master Gardeners, the JLWS members are volunteering their time and energy to sustain a plot of 22 raised beds that produce fruits and vegetables for patients at the Downtown Health Plaza and local residents.

JLWS members participate monthly in group work days to plant and harvest seasonal fruits and vegetables. In addition to monthly work days, volunteers offer help on an "as needed" basis with various tasks throughout the year. Over the last couple of months, JLWS members have been mowing, planting onions, harvesting green peppers, tomatoes, lettuces, sweet potatoes, mustard greens, collards, swiss chard and radishes. In addition, the ladies have been preparing the Garden for the winter season. It is not uncommon to find several JLWS members with their hands in the dirt on Saturday mornings at the Goler Community Garden. This is often a time of fellowship for the JLWS members, while learning new gardening techniques and skills but more importantly, a time of sharing and educating residents and patients who not only benefit from the food but are learning life lessons to pass along to their families.

Each spring, the JLWS members help plan, coordinate and sponsor two complimentary cooking events with Celebrity Chef Don McMillan of The Stocked Pot Cooking School and Catering. These cooking events are designed to share easy, healthy recipes using fresh ingredients, most of which is grown locally at the Goler Community Garden. This is a wonderful event for children and families to gather together and learn how to prepare a dinner that is delicious, healthy and super easy to prepare.

The JLWS is proud to support the Goler Community Garden as a community placement. This placement is ideal for any JLWS member who is in need of flexible volunteer hours. Volunteers are able to volunteer at the Goler Community Garden any day of the week! While most of the maintenance, planting and harvesting are done during daylight hours, the cooking events have historically been held in the evening hours for the dinner meal. If there are any JLWS members who would like to support this fantastic community placement with one-off opportunities, please contact Community VP Yvette Boland at [communityvp@jlws.org](mailto:communityvp@jlws.org), Community AVP Kristin Chambers at [assistantcommunityvp@jlws.org](mailto:assistantcommunityvp@jlws.org) or the Goler Community Garden Committee Chair, Ashley Talbott for more information. Lastly, the JLWS would like to extend a big thank you to the JLWS members who make up the Goler Community Garden Committee! The JLWS appreciates the committee's time and commitment to this community placement.

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The 10th annual Tour of Fine Spaces will feature homes throughout Winston-Salem. Local builders, interior designers, cabinet makers, flooring/tiling specialists, cabinet makers, and architects have come together for this unprecedented showcase featuring contemporary to traditional styles. Enjoy savory and delectable culinary samplings from local caterers, restaurants, and bakeries while witnessing the beautiful craftsmanship.

Tickets are \$30.00 in advance and \$35.00 the day of the event. Please invite your friends to come join in this wonderful showcase of Winston-Salem's finest. Tickets may also be purchased online or in retail locations such as Golden Apple, Meg Brown Designs, McCullough Tile and Stone, House of Plants and Kilwins. Please check the JLWS website for updated sponsors and ticket vendors and follow us on Facebook!

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## Finance Report

Can you believe that we are already halfway through this Junior League of Winston-Salem year? If you haven't paid your fundraiser package yet, remember it is a financial obligation and is due now. Thank you to those who have paid. The Finance Council will be in touch again with members who have not paid after the first of the year in case it has slipped their minds. This year, the Finance Council is trying to be more transparent with members about the Junior League of Winston-Salem's finances. To that end, thank you to the JLWS Technology Chair, Kimberlee Blaylock, who is putting a monthly financial statement on the web each month. An updated financial statement will be posted each after the Board meets and has a chance to review the financials. To find the statements, log in to your member page at [www.jlws.org](http://www.jlws.org). Under the Home tab, go to Board & Councils and then Finance Council. On the Finance Council page at the bottom click on the link for financial statements and choose the statement of interest. As always, if you have questions about the finances and are interested in seeing more or knowing more, please email [financevp@jlws.org](mailto:financevp@jlws.org).

Thus far into the JLWS year, the financials are on track to meet budget. With the fundraiser package and the first fundraiser of the year, Boutique, revenues have been earned and the budget is beginning to look more equal with income beginning to get larger than expense and the budget will stay that way for the remainder of the year with dues and Tour of Fine Spaces to round out the spring season. At the point this article is submitted, the final numbers on Boutique are not quite complete, but it can be reported that Boutique was successful this year. The financials will be above budget on the income side and under budget on the expense side so we do anticipate a nice profit this year. From attendees, the number one way that people said they heard about it was from the postcards sent through the schools. The Boutique committee has met and debriefed the event and will be prepared to share more.

If you find that you often have questions about the JLWS finances or are interested in how financials are reported, I encourage you to consider a placement that sits on the Finance Council. It truly is the best way to learn about and understand the JLWS's finances and have an impact on how it is reported to the membership.

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## Boutique 2014: A Great Success!

JLWS New Members, Actives, Sustainers, family, and friends came together on Friday, November 21, and Saturday, November 22, 2014 for a successful and well attended Boutique event! A JLWS Sustainer wrote in, "This was the best Boutique in quite some time and I like the new location. There seem to be lots of people there so I hope it was a big success." One of the Boutique vendors sent this note, "We want to thank you and all your co-workers for treating us like celebrities this weekend. We had a great time. We really appreciated the wine and snacks. Hope the event was a success." A huge thanks to the 2014 Boutique committee who worked incredibly hard to plan the event, and even harder during the event weekend! The committee includes: Katy Ringeman and Susan Colon (co-chairs), Allison Goodson, Anna Marie Carr, Emilee Marchesiello, Jessica Moorefield, Jackie Piscetelli, Megan Ragone, Marley Russell, Heather Sapp, Emily Saunders, Leigh Sobel, Heather Smith, Whitney Webster and Samantha Woltz.



# Volunteer Development

In recognition of the members who volunteer their time as leaders within the JLWS, the Volunteer Development committee hosted a dinner last October. The night included time to mingle with fellow leaders, inspirational words from Sustainers Katherine Memory and Anita Ogburn on the JLWS's impact in their lives, and an opportunity to pose questions to the Sustainer panelists.



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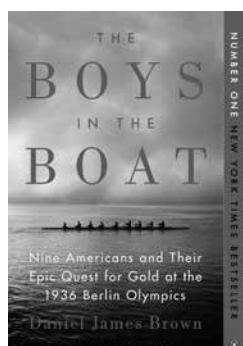
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**The Boys in the Boat**  
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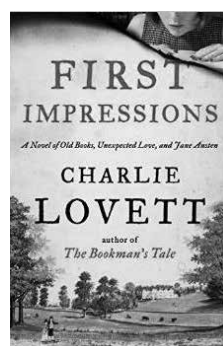
**February 18, 2015**  
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**Orphan Train**  
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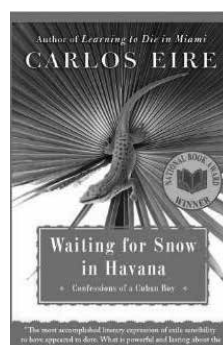
**April 15, 2015**  
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**Sustainer Evening Book Club:  
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**First Impressions: A Novel of Old Books, Unexpected Love, and Jane Austen**  
*by Charlie Lovett*

**March 10, 2015**  
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**Waiting for Snow in Havana**  
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## Sustainers

### Sip, Savour and Socialize

On Thursday, October 30, 2014, Sustainers gathered at Sip, Savour, and Socialize at the home of Susan Conger. Special thanks to Susan for opening her home to the JLWS and to the Sustaining committee members, Susan Gordon, Meredith Masten, Becky Perkinson, Anna Kathryn Reece and Molly Twine.



### Sustainer Council

The JLWS is excited to announce that, after two plus years of research and interviews, a new Sustainer Council will be presented at the January GMM to be voted on by the membership. This council will provide the JLWS sustainers the ability to continue their engagement with the Junior League of Winston-Salem, keeping them abreast of upcoming events and activities while identifying opportunities for them. The JLWS leadership is overwhelmed with those who have initially expressed interest and look forward to announcing the council VP along with a more detailed plan of next steps. Special thanks to Allison Reaves and Heather Mackey for their continued leadership and engagement! For more information, please visit the member home page of the JLWS website.

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 **Junior League Transitions**

**Transfers from Winston-Salem:**

**Jessica Virgadamo** (Active)  
Lexington, Kentucky

**Alexandra Washington** (New Member)  
Savannah, Georgia

**Heather Apperson** (Active)  
Virginia Beach, Virginia

**Teresa Braeckle** (Active)  
St. Louis, Missouri

**Transfers to Winston-Salem:**

**Cristen Drummond** (Active)  
Macon, Georgia

 **Volunteers of Distinction**

**Kimberlee Blaylock**, the current Technology Chair for the Junior League of Winston-Salem, consistently goes over and beyond in her role to help others. Kimberlee is always quick to respond to any request asked of her, and her kindness and dedication to league is apparent in all that she does. Kimberlee goes out of her way to gain a stronger understanding of how the JLWS website works in an effort to help other members with their technology questions and requests. She is a well-deserved volunteer of distinction. Congrats to Kimberlee!

 **Member Milestones**

Sustaining members **Marianne Northington** and **Charlotte Croft-Hudgens** were Co-Chairs for the Dixie Classic Fair Flower Shows. This is the second year for both of them in that role. Charlotte Croft-Hudgens won First Place and the Petite Design Award for her entry of “Going to a Hockey Game in Toronto”

Sustaining Members **Charlotte Croft-Hudgens** and **Robin Pfefferkorn** were the Auction Co-Chairs for the Furr Ball benefiting the Forsyth Human Society.

 **Little Junior Leaguers**

**Graham English Suttle**  
October 25, 2014  
Wesley and Mark Suttle

 **Marriages**

**Erin Kennedy and Jon Craver**  
October 26, 2013

 **In Memoriam**

**Ellen Bethel**, Sustainer  
May 6, 2014

**Margaret Sattler**, Former Administrative Assistant to the JLWS  
October 26, 2014

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