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JLL Goes to ODI!

By Reid Hafer

The Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI) sponsors several Organizational Development Institutes (ODI) each year to provide Junior League members with mission-based training in key areas that are critical to the function of a healthy League. Through participation in ODI, League members have an opportunity to build leadership skills, create effective community programs, and increase organizational capacity.

This year the Nominating Committee selected the following JLL members to attend the November ODI in Columbus, Ohio: Elizabeth Alphin, Alice Baron, Andrea Scholtz and Kelly Wesley. They each attended workshops focused in one of four concentration areas: (1) achieving community impact; (2) membership development; (3) diversified fund development; and (4) nominating: strategies & tools. In addition, they attended several group sessions on topics ranging from available AJLI services to building diversity.



(L to R): Andrea Scholtz, Alice Baron, Kelly Wesley & Elizabeth Alphin

Congratulations and thanks to the ladies that attended and represented the Junior League of Louisville. We all look forward to gaining from your learning!

Done in a Day

By Monica Schroeder

The Done in a Day committee has been very busy organizing and completing twelve projects with the help of new Provisionals. We started our summer with a few Habitat for Humanity shifts and moved right into the fall with Project Women where, we spent the morning cleaning apartments in old Louisville. The Provisional projects started off in September with Grace House. Provisionals organized a clean up of the facility playground and made calls to get the mulch donated. The children are thrilled with results.

October came and we were really off - the Buddy Walk got us started with League members working set up and Kid Zone, then there was Komen Survivors' Dinner and scrapbooking at Maryhurst. We helped with the KY School for the Blind state conference by serving food, and registering guests and organizing games for the children.

In late October we also helped Gilda's Club with a Pink Party for breast cancer clients they serve. This was an Active/Sustainer event and I really think all volunteers enjoyed event.

In November we did two shifts for Hosparus. Provisionals also helped organize three brunches at the Ronald McDonald House, and stuffed 200 stockings for Salvation Army's Angle Tree project. The last project the Fall Provisional class will complete is the Salvation Army's shopping at the warehouse. This is a event JLL has done for years; members always enjoy helping in the holiday season.

Gratitude

By Courtney Allen MacKinnon



Over the weekend of October 24-26, Mary Ellen Wiederwohl (JLL President-Elect) and I went to Kansas City to attend the Association of Junior Leagues International fall conference. These conferences are always fun and this conference was no different.

At the closing banquet, we had the pleasure of listening to Liz Murray as the keynote speaker. For those of you who may not know, Liz is the young woman whose life was turned into the Lifetime movie *From Homeless to Harvard*. I've not seen the movie but this was the second time I had heard her speak and the story of how she went from a homeless teen in New York City to a Harvard graduate is simply amazing.

Lately, however, I've found myself reflecting back on one word that she used constantly

throughout this sometimes awful story. That word was **gratitude**. Despite the terrible stuff in her life, she always remained grateful for the few good things. For the volunteers and non-profit organizations who came into her life to help her out, she again expressed gratitude. And as she stared into a room of Junior League leaders a few weeks ago, she did nothing but thank us for our community work over and over again.

There are always going to be times when things are rough or not how we want them – we all know that. But in those times, I've decided to take a page out of Liz Murray's book and remain grateful for the things that are wonderful in my life. Junior League is one of those wonderful things and I can't thank you all enough for the opportunity to lead this organization, for your service to our community and for your membership. I am truly grateful.

Enjoy the holidays!

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2008 Komen Survivors' Dinner

By Noelle J. Bailey

On October 7, 2008, member of the Junior League of Louisville volunteered with the 8th annual Komen Survivors' Dinner hosted by Buckhead Mountain Grill/Rocky's Italian Grill. The wet weather outside did little to deter the area's breast cancer survivors from celebrating. The event was held outside in the Buckhead parking lot under a massive tent that was filled to maximum capacity. Junior League volunteers teamed with volunteers from other local organizations to help serve food to the hungry attendees.



Rachel Platt speaks to survivors.



Leaguers volunteer at the 8th Annual Komen Survivors' Dinner.



Survivors enjoy dinner hosted by Buckhead Mountain Grill and Rocky's Italian Grill.

The theme of this year's event was "Pajama Party". The women (and men) were decked out in their comfiest or craziest nighttime wear and the event included a contest for best pajamas! Other entertainment included a fashion show and some spectacular singing.

Pam Jennings from the Kentucky Cancer Program sent a special thank you to all those that helped with the event, saying it was their most successful to date. Having such wonderful help allowed the set up to be done early and to accommodate the two survivors who showed up two hours early! This goes to show what a true difference our JLL support can make! Thanks to all of those that volunteered and helped make this special event such a success!

Surf & Shop For JLL

By Carrie Widman

Addicted to online shopping?
Do you surf and search the net?
Now you can shop and search with a good conscience!

The Junior League of Louisville is a member of GoodSearch, a program that donates money to JLL when you search the web or shop online using www.GoodSearch.com. Just add the search bar to your browser and watch the pennies add up!

For another great shopping option, click on the "Shopping Mall" on the JLL website.

Participating stores on Goodsearch and in the JLLShopping Mall will donate a portion of your purchase back to JLL. Check it out and you're sure to find old favorites plus a few new treasures. Look for Gap, J Crew, Amazon, eBay, Target, Delta Airlines, Home Depot, and many more!



The Ladies of the League Learned to Excavate Themselves

By Victoria Moon

The first JLL Leadership Development and Education session kicked off with Junior League of Louisville past president, Jennifer Blair! She has started her own business called Excavive www.excavive.com. Jennifer, who is not only a speaker but also a life coach and writer, helped League members discover how to balance their primary life areas. Ladies were able to rate different areas in their lives and discover where balance was needed. They also shared thoughts and ideas with each other regarding balance in their own lives. It was a wonderful evening of “uncovering our authentic selves,” as Jennifer would say.



League members uncover their authentic selves at the first JLL Leadership Development and Education session.

In addition to receiving a great training, members had a wonderful time enjoying the food and drink at Porcini restaurant, which graciously hosted us in their private dining room. After the training was over, ladies stayed to mix and mingle catching up with fellow members. A great night was had by all!

And saving the best tidbit of the evening for last...Tim Coury, owner of Porcini, graciously donated proceeds to a favorite local children’s charity of the Junior League. As the evening was wrapping up, ladies in attendance were able to vote on their favorite charity. The winner was...drum roll please...St. Joseph Children’s Home!!! So, a big thanks to Porcini for their hospitality and generosity!

For those of you who did not make it, stay tuned for our next Leadership Development and Education training event coming after the first of the year! Date and details will follow in CLIPS and our Weekly Update. Hope to see you there!



Jennifer Blair speaks at Porcini.

Two of a Kind

By Emily Wickerham

Are you ready for the best Valentine’s Date you will every have? If so, get ready to buy your tickets and tell your significant other you have plans for February 14! The Junior League is partnering with Blessings in a Backpack to co-host the third annual Two of a Kind event on Saturday, February 14, at the Downtown Marriott. There will be gambling, dancing, live entertainment, silent and live auction, dinner, drinks and dessert. You won’t want to miss this romantic, fun event and your honey will love it too. Make a weekend out of it and make plans to stay that night at the Marriott and take the elevator home that night. Buy your ticket before December 1 and be eligible for a free night’s stay at the Marriott the night of the event. Tickets will be available on our website for singles and tables; for questions regarding ticket sales, please contact Emily Wickerham at (502) 262-2788. This event is open to the public so please bring your date or bring a group and buy a table.

What is the Nominating Committee???

By Reid Hafer

The Nominating Committee is composed of a chair, six voting members, and the former President acting as an advisor. With the exception of the advisor, all Nominating Members have been elected by the general membership for a two-year term. Nominating members cannot apply for ODI and if they are interested in a Board position, they must resign before the first nominating meeting and prior to their self-nomination.

The Nominating Committee is extremely busy in the fall preparing the slate of board candidates. Once the Board is selected, we prepare a slate of nominating candidates for membership election. In addition to preparing the slates, we select committee chairs, ODI conference participants, and League Award recipients. Our selections are made using set guidelines with input and nominations from the entire League.

This year, the JLL membership will be selecting four active members from a slate of eight to fill next year's committee openings. The membership will be electing two 3-4 active year candidates and two 5+ active year candidate.

If the Nominating Committee is a placement for which you would like to be considered, please send Reid Hafer (rhafer@heaven-hill.com or 202 Gibson Road, Louisville, KY 40207) your Junior League history and your number of active years in the league (including this year). The deadline for nominations and applications is Dec 15.

Cranberry Christmas Canes

Makes 30 canes

Cranberry Filling ingredients

1 1/2 cups cranberries
1/2 cup sugar
1/3 cup raisins
1/3 cup chopped pecans
1/3 cup honey
1 1/2 teaspoons grated orange zest

Christmas Canes ingredients

1 envelope dry yeast
1/4 cup lukewarm water
4 cups flour
1/4 cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk, scalded, cooled
1 cup (2 sticks) margarine, melted, cooled
2 eggs, beaten
1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
Lemon Glaze

Lemon Glaze ingredients

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, softened
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
1 to 2 cups confectioners' sugar

For the filling, combine the cranberries, sugar, raisins, pecans, honey and orange zest in a saucepan and mix well. Cook over medium heat for 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Remove from the heat. Let stand until cool.

For the canes, dissolve the yeast in the lukewarm water in a small bowl. Combine the flour, sugar and salt in a bowl and mix well. Stir the yeast mixture, milk, margarine, eggs and lemon zest. Chill, tightly covered, for 2 hours or up to 2 days.

Divide the dough into 2 equal portions. Roll one portion into a 15 x 18-inch rectangle on a lightly floured surface. Spread with half the filling. Fold the longside 1/3 over the filling. Fold the opposite side over those layers to result in a 3-layered strip 15 inches long. Cut into fifteen 1-inch strips. Hold the ends of each strip and twist lightly, pinching the ends to seal. Shape into candy canes on a non-stick baking sheet. Repeat the process with the remaining dough and filling. Bake at 400° for 10 to 15 minutes or until light brown. Remove to a wire rack to cool. Drizzle Lemon Glaze over the canes.

Lemon Glaze: Beat the butter and lemon juice in a mixing bowl until blended. Add the confectioners' sugar gradually, beating constantly until of glaze consistency.

You may substitute your favorite jam or a mixture of sugar, cinnamon and nuts for the cranberry filling.

Shout Outs to...

- Annual Giving Committee for the great job they have done getting the League involved early and often.
- League members that have already generously supported Annual Giving.
- League members for the great turn out and participation at the November in-home meetings.
- Lauren Ogden and the Sustainer Committee for planning such fun events for the Sustainers!
- Stephanie English and her Transfer Committee for also planning fun events for our Transfers.
- Stacy Chinn, Jennifer Hammond, LaShawnda Boddie, and Trish McReynolds for planning a successful membership recruitment event in November!
- Reid Hafer and the nominating committee for all of their hard work putting together a great incoming Board for the 2009-2010 JLL year.
- Judette Baylon for placing both lost members and new members to the League on our wonderful committees.
- Mollie Mulloy and Audra Rankin and the Membership Connection Committee for all of the great events they planned for the fall and have in the works for the spring.
- Julie Peak and the Noogiefest committee for their efforts coordinating the Halloween Party at Gilda's Club. We're looking forward to a spring event!
- Monica Schroeder, the DIAD committee and the fall provisional class for the outstanding fall DIAD projects.
- Alice Baron, Andrea Scholtz, Courtney MacKinnon, Tara Lewis and Stacy Hettich for absolutely smashing performances on television and radio promoting Hollydays—you represented us well!
- Carrie Widman for her dedication to the Finance committee as well as her help in providing historical research for league planning.
- All the JLL ladies expecting little bundles of joy—enjoy carte blanche to eat anything you want over the holidays!
- Lydia Witt for wearing her JLL t-shirt to the gym—thanks for helping advertise the League!

Congratulations to...

Stacy and Solomon Chinn on the birth of their son Cooper. Cooper joined the Chinn family October 30, weighing in at 7 lb., 8 oz.

The Book Club

Having just celebrated reading their hundredth book last year, the JLL Book Club continues to be a consistently strong niche group. Often featuring authors at meetings (Sena Jeter Naslund, *Abundance* and Alanna Nash, *The Colonel*), the book club offers a cohesive group of women and stimulating discussions to end your night. Contact Michelle Black White at 645-0575 or mbwhite618@gmail.com with questions or to make your dinner reservation.

- **Tuesday, December 16, 7 p.m.:** *The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus*, by L. Frank Baum at The English Grill, The Brown Hotel, 335 W. Broadway, 40202.

Transfer Member “Happenings”

December 6 - Breakfast and Shopping - Lynn's Paradise Cafe and shopping at Hollydays

January 10 - Game Night

February, March and April dates to be announced soon!

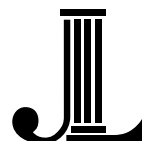
All are welcome to join the transfers and make new friends! Please email S-English@insightbb.com to RSVP.

Dues Announcement

2008-2009 dues notices will be sent in January

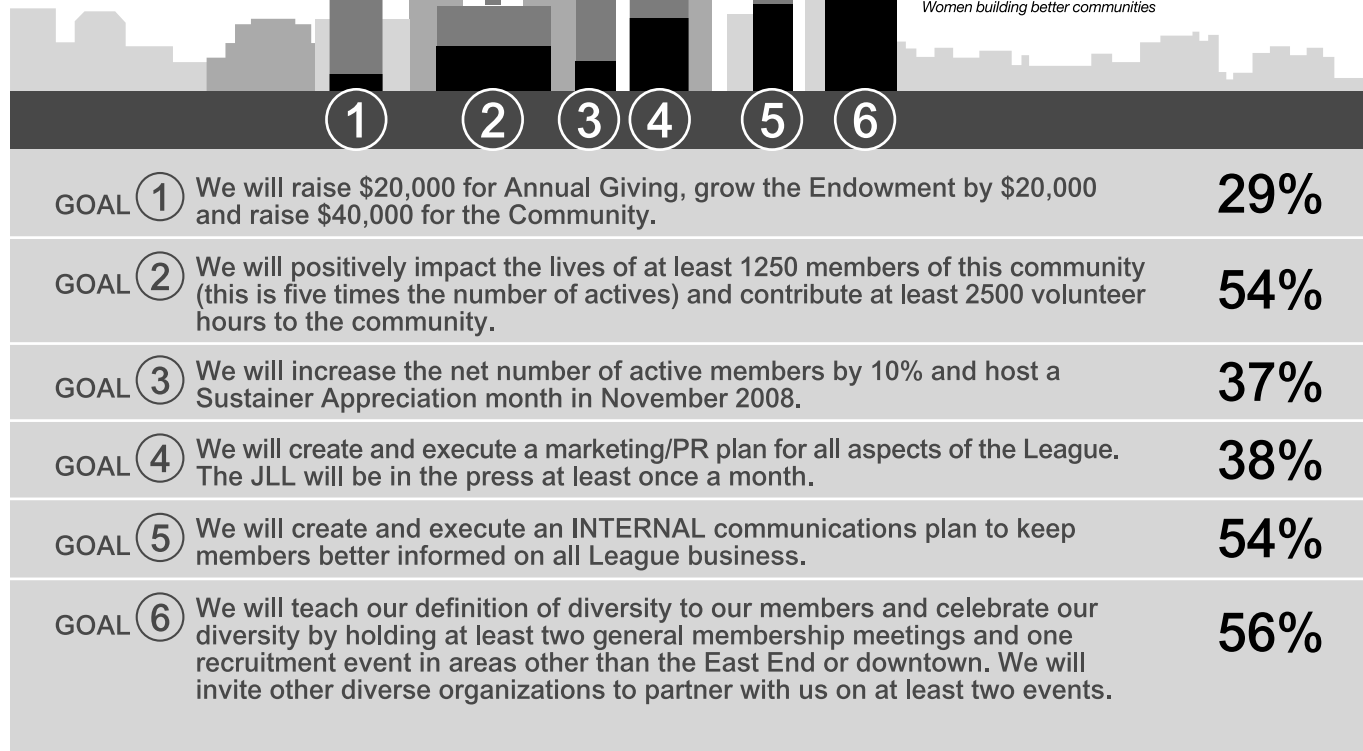
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2008 Annual Plan



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LOUISVILLE

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Do you have a **PASSION** for an issue? The Junior League is the place for you!

By Mary Ellen Wiederwohl

The Junior League of Louisville has a proud history of creating important projects serving women, children and families at-risk in our community. Many of Louisville's well-known community projects, including Race for the Cure, Ronald McDonald House, and Safe Place, started as the passion of a JLL member or group of members. JLL annually solicits the community for project ideas. But, did you know that JLL members can propose projects, too?

JLL's rules provide an avenue for JLL members to make their passion a JLL project through a format called an "Interest Group". If you are passionate about child poverty, homelessness, women's health, or any other issue in our community then you can turn your passion into a Junior League project via the Interest Group format. An Interest Group starts with at least four members and no more than six members willing to study and support a public issue. Members begin by contacting the VP of Community Impact to discuss the new interest area by January 31. The members make a presentation to the full Board of Directors by March 31. If the Board approves the new Interest Group, it then goes to the full membership for approval. The Interest Group sets goals and objectives and works toward developing a position statement which defines the focus and philosophy of the Interest Group. The Interest Group then begins specific research, which might culminate in development of a project, public stand, legislative stand, membership education, placement opportunities, seminar, or participation with other community groups.

Sound like something that interests you? For more information, contact Becky Ragland, VP of Community Impact, or Mary Ellen Wiederwohl, President-Elect.



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The Junior League of Louisville (JLL) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, to developing the potential of women, and to improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. The JLL reaches out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who have an interest in and commitment to voluntarism.

Thanks for Volunteering!

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December 2008 & January 2009 Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Event	Place
Dec. 15		Nominating Applications Deadline	
Dec. 16	7 p.m.	Book Club	The English Grille
Dec. 19-25		Christmas Holiday	JLL HQ Closed
Dec. 31-Jan. 1		New Year's Holiday	JLL HQ Closed
Jan. 8	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Board Meeting	Kosair Charities Bd. Room
Jan. 10		February CLIPS Deadline	
Jan. 15	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	General Meeting	Speed Art Museum
Jan. 19		MLK Jr. Day	JLL HQ Closed