



# JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SPOKANE

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# League At A Glance

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## President's Message

The Junior League of Spokane is off to a busy start in the 2012-2013 year. We just completed a successful and well-attended Touch-a-Truck fundraiser and community event, and we were able to almost double our attendance in our second year. Volunteers and community partners were complimentary and expressed interest in returning for future events. Congratulations Touch-a-Truck chair, Kristin Griffith, and committee for your hard work in organizing such a successful event.

Membership has been busy with recruiting efforts for our new Provisional Member class. Meet-and-greets have been held at Lindaman's Gourmet Bistro and Ripples on the River, and a Harvest Party was held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the home of our membership director, Cynthia Gustafson. We are gearing up for an exciting New Member retreat and Provisional classes. It is not too late to contact the Junior League of Spokane with names of potential new members or to join this year's class. Our Sustaining Director, Candace Mumm, has also been busy assisting us in getting in touch with misplaced sustaining members. Please contact the Junior League of Spokane office with names of potential new members or the names of sustainers who may not have received dues notices or may be interested in rejoining.

A Candidate's Forum was held at the Salvation Army on October 16<sup>th</sup> with great attendance from our local political candidates. Attendees included Tim Benn, Andy Billig, Amy Biviano, Rich Cowan, Dennis Dellwo, Jeff Holy, Jay Inslee's surrogate, Kevin Parker (on behalf of himself and Cathy McMorris Rodgers), Marcus Riccelli, Daryl Romeyn and John Roskelley. Candidates answered questions related to foster care, children's issues, and childhood obesity and nutrition. The Junior League of Spokane greatly appreciates the candidates taking time from their busy schedules to meet with us and answer our questions.

I had the opportunity to attend the Past Presidents' Luncheon on October 11<sup>th</sup>. It was amazing to visit with this group of wonderful women who have accomplished so much in their lives and to learn how their experiences with Junior League prepared them for many other roles and leadership positions. We discussed a more active sustainer role, the return of chair/committee advisors and events for the 2012-2013 year. A new and exciting Sustainer Facebook page is in development to assist Sustaining Members in staying better connected and will be launched soon.

It is hard to believe my term of Junior League of Spokane President is almost half over and November is already here. Our efforts are now focused on Foster Santa Breakfast which will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at Northern Quest Casino, Impact Spokane projects and preparing for the December 14<sup>th</sup> Holiday Luncheon. I look forward to seeing active and sustaining members at our upcoming events.

With Gratitude,

Julie Munson (1999)  
Junior League of Spokane President

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## Spread Holiday Cheer at the 2012 Foster Santa Breakfast

In less than one month, over 400 foster children and their foster families will attend the Junior League of Spokane's Foster Santa Breakfast. On Saturday, December 8, 2012, a ballroom at the Northern Quest Casino will become a winter wonderland filled with exquisite trees decorated with gifts, the sounds of excited children and the smells of a delicious breakfast. For some of the foster children, it may be the first time they have received a new toy, the first time they have been to a holiday party, the first time they have had the chance to visit with Santa Claus or the first time they have been able to choose a gift to give.

We need your help! The magic of this event is only possible with the generous contributions of our volunteers and sponsors. Please contact Sue Trautman, Foster Santa Breakfast Co-chair, to volunteer at the event or to make a financial or in-kind donation ([susantra@comcast.net](mailto:susantra@comcast.net), 509-279-2669). Thank you for your support for this worthwhile cause.

### Sponsorship Levels:

Parent Gift - \$5.00, bring unwrapped gift to the GMM  
Child Gift - \$10.00, bring unwrapped gift to the GMM  
Large Ticket Item - \$250  
Sponsor a Tree - \$250

### Did you know?

- Nearly 11,000 children were in foster care in Washington at any given time in 2011
- 5,643 Washington children entered the foster care system in 2011
- 5,222 Washington children left the foster care system in 2011
- Nationally, 31% of foster children are in the system for 2 years or more
- Nationally, the average age for a foster child is 6.7 years old

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**FOSTER SANTA BREAKFAST**  
**Saturday, December 8, 2012**  
**9:30 a.m. – Noon**  
**Northern Quest Casino**

*To volunteer or sponsor Foster Santa Breakfast, contact Sue Trautman, [susantra@comcast.net](mailto:susantra@comcast.net) or 509-279-2669.*



Please remember to bring **parent gifts, wrapping paper, scissors, and tape** to the **November General Membership Meeting!**



General Membership Meeting  
Tuesday, November 20, 2012  
5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Lilac Services for the Blind  
1212 North Howard Street  
Spokane, WA 99201



## Sustainers Stay in Touch

Text, tweet, email, Facebook post, voice mail, or snail mail. No matter what form of communication, Junior Leaguers always find a way to stay in touch. But a recent random survey of JLS members has found we all have preferences in how we keep those connections. It's all over the map! In the old days we could just rely on the League at a Glance (LAAG) to arrive in our mailbox for updates and news items. Now we have multiple platforms to choose from. The survey told us that we can do a better job communicating at all levels, to all our generations of League Members.

Sustainers will be pleased to learn they will soon be invited to join the new JLS Sustainer Facebook group. Sustainer activities and notices will be posted there, along openings/placements on boards and positions in the community and the opportunity to connect with old friends. This helps fulfill the JLS mission of *"improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers."*

If you know of a board position opening (corporate or non-profit) please email Sustaining Director Candace Mumm and we will work to match up one of our skilled Sustainers to maximize our talent bank and community impact!

We also discovered that many of our Sustainers prefer to receive a hard copy (printed) LAAG. We are working toward that goal and hope to have a solution soon. Sustainers of all ages love to hear League news and we want to deliver it to you. Stay tuned for more good news in the next issue!

Candace Mumm  
Sustaining Director  
[CandaceMumm@aol.com](mailto:CandaceMumm@aol.com)



### Save the Date:

Annual Holiday Luncheon  
Friday, December 14, 2012  
Spokane Club (Downtown)

### **“Like” NWX 2013 Spokane on Facebook**

The annual Northwest Exchange weekend of training, collaboration and fun for Junior Leaguers in the Northwest will take place in Spokane on March 23-25, 2013. “Like” the NWX 2013 Spokane Facebook page to receive the latest information about this dynamic training opportunity.

# Touch-a-Truck 2012

## Attendance Nearly Doubles at Touch-a-Truck 2012

Our second annual Touch-a-Truck event took place on Saturday, October 6 in the Spokane Community College main parking lot. Not only was the weather incredible, but we almost doubled our attendance from our 2011 event (800 to 1500 people). We were also able to donate 550 lbs. of food to the Salvation Army's food bank. Almost half of the 23 truck participants were new to the event. Some highlights of the event were Tow Mater from the Cars movie, a new streamline recycling truck from City of Spokane's Waste Management, a Spokane County Sheriff's helicopter and Tim Lorentz's car boat.

Next year's event is scheduled for September 28, 2013, at SCC's parking lot.

We would like to thank the our truck participants, donors, vendors, volunteers and incredible committee for making our 2012 event a resounding success.

### Truck participants

Tow Mater  
City of Spokane Street Department  
Spokane County Sheriff's helicopter  
Western Peterbilt  
Western States Equipment  
Divine's Corporation  
Durham School Services  
Food Services of America  
City of Spokane Solid Waste Management  
Garco Construction  
Spokane Police Department  
Spokane Fire Department  
Star Rentals  
Spokane Rock Products  
Inland Power  
Salvation Army  
American Medical Response  
Tim Lorentz's car boat

### In-kind donations:

NorthStar Enterprises  
Kids Newspaper  
Just Between Friends Sale  
Red Lion Inn at the Park  
Andrew Scull  
Spokane Kids Calendar  
Albertsons at 37<sup>th</sup> and Grand  
Albertsons at 57<sup>th</sup> and Regal

### Vendors:

Soccertots  
Step Up Spokane  
Boy Scout Pack 281

### Touch a Truck committee:

Kristin Condon  
Libby Cousins  
Marnie Schroer  
Anna Poole  
Holland Poole  
Kristin Griffith





JLS volunteers enjoy meeting celebrity truck Tow Mater after the Touch-a-Truck event on October 6, 2012



Political candidates discuss foster families, childhood obesity, and other children's issues at the 2012 JLS Candidate's Forum



JLS members gathered at Cynthia Gustafson's home for a Harvest Party on October 23, 2012



Former JLS Presidents connected at the Past Presidents' Luncheon on October 11, 2012



Julia McGann, Jeannette Toole, and Julie Munson at the Past Presidents' Luncheon on October 11, 2012



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## OUTSTANDING SUSTAINER APPLICATION FORM

Submission Deadline: November 30, 2012

***Mission Statement:*** *The Junior League of Spokane is an organization committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.*

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2012 Sustainer of the Year Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize a Sustaining Member of the Junior League of Spokane who demonstrates our mission through her community service and support of the Junior League of Spokane. The following criteria should be considered:

- Candidate is currently active in the community or has made a significant impact in the Spokane community
- Candidate has made contributions to the Junior League during her active membership or as a sustainer
- Candidate is recognized for her professional accomplishments.
- Activities of the candidate reflect continued support for the Junior League of Spokane and its purpose

***I would like to nominate the following woman for the  
Outstanding Sustainer Award.***

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe the Nominee's community involvement by listing bullet points which highlight a program/project in which they were actively involved:**

**Current Involvement (please list by using bullet points):**

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**Past Involvement in the Junior League and Community (please list by using bullet points):**

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**Professional Involvement (please list by using bullet points):**

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**Please write a short paragraph describing how the nominee continues to support the Junior League of Spokane and its purpose.**

# 2012-2013 Calendar

## NOVEMBER 2012

- 13 New Member Retreat, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 17 New Member Retreat, 10:00 a.m. - Noon
- 20 General Membership Meeting, 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Lilac Services for the Blind  
1212 N. Howard St., Spokane, WA 99201
- 30 Outstanding Sustainer Nomination Forms due

## DECEMBER 2012

- 4 Board Meeting
- 5 New Member Retreat, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- 8 Foster Santa Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. – Noon  
Northern Quest Casino
- 14 Sustainer Luncheon  
Spokane Club (downtown)
- 31 LAAG Deadline

## JANUARY 2013

- 8 Board Meeting
- 9 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 15 General Membership Meeting
- 24 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

## FEBRUARY 2013

- 5 Board Meeting
- 6 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 19 General Membership Meeting
- 26 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 28 LAAG Deadline
- TBA Capitol Days - Olympia, Washington

## MARCH 2013

- 5 Board Meeting
- 19 General Membership Meeting
- 21 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 23-25 Northwest Exchange – Spokane, Washington

## APRIL 2013

- 2 Board Meeting
- 16 General Membership Meeting
- 23 New Member Training, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 30 LAAG Deadline

## MAY 2013

- 7 Board Meeting
- 21 General Membership Meeting



**Board of Directors**

President: Julie Munson  
President-elect: Heather Byrd  
Treasurer: Mary Lynn Boardman  
Treasurer-elect: Maria Cahill  
Sustaining Director: Candace Mumm  
Administrative Director: Heather Byrd  
Community Director: Michelle Grover  
Membership Director: Cynthia Gustafson  
Funding Director: Jackie Worobec  
Parliamentarian, Kathleen Wynia  
Presidential Assistant: Maria Cahill  
LDC Chair: Marianne Bornhoff  
LDC 2-year: Sheree Lobdell  
LDC 2-year: Tonya Bingley  
LDC 1-year: Anna Fritts  
LDC 1-year: Cindy Evans-Bass

**Committee Chairs**

Meetings and Arrangements: Kathleen Wynia  
Communications/Marketing: Angelina Scull and Stephanie Cates  
Northwest Exchange: Julia McGann  
Membership Development: Amy Dowell  
Foster Santa Breakfast: Sue Trautman and Michelle Grady  
PR&D/Impact: Susannah Wessel  
Public Policy/JWLS: Alex Mann  
Kids in the Kitchen: Sarah Clifford  
FRM: Cookbook: Kim Koch  
Touch-a-Truck: Kristin Griffith



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***Our Mission:***

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

**We reach out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism.**

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