

League At A Glance

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President's Message

Happy New Year! I can't believe its 2014. Where did the last 12 months go? I hope the new year brings everything you are hoping for and more. Let's make it a good one!



What I love about the Junior League of Spokane (JLS) is that no task or gesture is too big or too small. We are surrounded by women who give of their time and talents selflessly. Our community can count on you. Setting our sights on monumental tasks like establishing something our community lacks or simply showing up and being present at breakfasts, luncheons and black-tie events in support of the many agencies with which we partner. We give the gift of both resources and volunteers. Many times along the way we discover the issues that are important to us and continue to do more outside of our JLS obligations.

There is a lot ahead for the JLS in the next five months. I hope you are as excited as I am for our new endeavors, fantastic new provisional members, a new issue based focus area and much more!

I continue to be amazed at what we can accomplish and I m proud to be a part of such an amazing group of women in our community. Thank you for all that you do not just during the holidays, but throughout the year.

All my best,

Heather Byrd



18th Annual Foster Santa Breakfast

The 18th Annual Foster Santa Breakfast was truly magical! Nadine Woodward emceed the event, and with your help and the help of many other community volunteers, we were able to serve more than 400 foster kids and nearly 200 parents in our community. Please accept this as a thank you for all of your help in making so many dreams come true. We had a raffle event with 14 trees (2 more than last year). This provided the children an opportunity to win a themed Christmas tree with gifts as well as big-ticket-items including bikes, Kindles, and games. In an effort to keep things as organized as possible, we had the breakfast served to the families and delivered the children's gifts to their respective tables on trays. We designated two volunteers to be in charge of taking the children at the tables up to see Santa resulting in a much shorter line to see the "big guy". All in all, it was another successful event. We thank you so much for helping to make it possible.



Impact Spokane and JLS Members volunteered at 2nd Harvest Food Bank on November 16th. We helped sort 10,233 pounds of potatoes and apples!

Impact Spokane will be preparing a meal for the families at the Ronald McDonald House Spokane. Look for an opportunity to sign up soon for this February date!



RONALD McDONALD
HOUSE CHARITIES

Membership News

At the first General Membership Meeting of 2014, we were very proud to vote seven Provisionals into active membership who have finished their training and are excited to be joining our League. These ladies have shown passion towards the Junior League and will bring great ideas and energy to our active membership.

We also have been busy recruiting for a second provisional class this year. We had two very successful meet and greets: one in December at Lindaman's Bistro and another at Saranac Public House in January. These new Provisionals will fulfill their training throughout the next few months, and will be voted into active membership at our April GMM. This new structure of recruitment allows us to be more flexible and to increase the size of our League at a faster pace.

Do you know someone who would be an asset to the Junior League? We are always looking to recruit energetic, talented women to join JLS and help us make an impact on our community. If you have any friends or family who you think would be great additions to our League, please send the names and email addresses of any interested women to membership@jlsokane.org.

January 2014 Provisionals/New Members
Welcome ladies –We are excited to have you on Board!



Always Gold'n

Inspire your inner chef with cookbooks from the Junior League of Spokane. Our cookbooks feature recipes that are sure to impress with distinctive Northwest ingredients. What's even better? All profits go back to our community. Gold'n Delicious and Still Gold'n are \$12 for Junior League members and \$15 for non-members if purchased at the JLS office or JLS website www.jlspokane.org Our cookbooks are also sold at Mel's Nursery, Aunties's Bookstore and Northern Quest Casino.

Beginning **February 3, 2014**, Customers of Fred Meyer will be able to help earn money for the Junior League of Spokane, just by shopping at Fred Meyer with their Rewards Card. Here's how it works: all you have to do is go online and link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to The Junior League of Spokane organization.

You will continue receiving the Rewards Points, Rebates and Fuel Points that you are used to – but in addition, your shopping will also help earn donations from Fred Meyer for the non-profit organization to which you have linked your card. At the end of each quarter, Fred Meyer Stores will make contributions based on your supporters' shopping. To learn more, go to: www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards



Annual Fund Drive

Thank you for your generous response to the Junior League of Spokane's Annual Fund Drive. Your gifts make a meaningful difference to our organization. There is still time to contribute. If you need a new copy of the letter that was sent in November, or if you have any questions, please contact Michelle Tompkins at FundingDirector@jlspokane.org

GLAMagain

Did you receive any beautiful, high-end gifts over the holidays that just don't work with your wardrobe? Please consider donating them to the Junior League of Spokane to sell at this spring's GLAMagain event. Please watch the e-Blasts for more information on donation drop-offs. For more information about GLAMagain, please visit the website www.glamagain.com.

UPCOMING TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

All active JLS members are encouraged to attend trainings and conferences put on by the AJLI (Association of Junior Leagues International). If you are interested in attending any of these trainings please contact our President, Heather Byrd or LDC Chair, Julie Munson.

We are always looking for donated air miles and additional funding for scholarships, so that more members can attend these beneficial trainings.

Organizational Development Institute (ODI)

February 28-March 2, 2014

Ft Lauderdale, FL

Northwest Exchange

Join other Junior League members from across the Northwest (Seattle, Boise, Portland, Yakima, etc) for a fantastic weekend of leadership training, development and social activities. Scholarships available for members interesting in attending this great event. Contact Julie Munson or Heather Byrd if you are interested in attending. Hurry, spots fill up fast!

March 21-23, 2014

Tacoma, WA.

Annual AJLI Conference

St. Louis, MO

May 2014

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Wrapping gifts for Foster Santa Breakfast



The parent gift room at Foster Santa Breakfast.

Dear Junior League Sustainers,

Like many of you, I am enjoying warm sunshine as I write this. Oh how fortunate we are to be able to get out of the cold and warm our bones with beautiful climates!

On January 21st, our Junior League active membership discussed some very big decisions for our future. It is time to look at new focus areas of concentration and all represent great areas of need in Spokane. They are: childhood obesity and health, early childhood education, foster kids - with a focus on those aging out of the system, and domestic abuse and human trafficking. Each of these issues is heavy, serious and very worthy of a Junior League focus. What an opportunity to invigorate all of us - active and sustaining members alike.

As the lines between these two categories of membership continue to get blurrier I believe there will be many opportunities for us to contribute to the planning and execution of whichever topic they choose. We will certainly keep you informed.

We will also be planning another social gathering this spring. It will involve good wine and good fun!!!

I am always anxious to hear your ideas and wishes for future gatherings. Meanwhile, stay safe and warm and think good thoughts for our energetic actives and provisionals. A big thank you to all who supported the Annual Fund Drive. It is not too late to donate. Each gift is gratefully received!!

Fondly,

Trish McFarland, Sustaining Director
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Kathy Friedlander was selected as Outstanding Sustainer of the Year for 2013! This was announced at the Holiday Luncheon at the Spokane Club on December 13th. Congratulations Kathy!!

SAVE THE DATE



The Spring Sustainer
Dinner
will be on Wednesday,
June 4th at Manito
Country Club!

2014 Calendar

January 2014	7	Board Meeting
	14	New Member Meet and Greet
	21	General Membership Meeting
	24-5	Winter Leadership Conference
February 2014	4	Board Meeting
	18	General Membership Meeting At Transitional Living Center 3128 N. Hemlock
	TBA	Capitol Days - Olympia, Washington
	28	LAAG Deadline
	28	Organizational Development Institute (ODI)
March 2014	4	Board Meeting
	18	General Membership Meeting
	21-23	Northwest Exchange
April 2014	1	Board Meeting
	15	General Membership Meeting
	30	LAAG Deadline
May 2014	6	Board Meeting
	20	General Membership Meeting
	TBA	AJLI Annual Conference
June 2014	4	Sustainer Dinner Manito Golf & Country Club

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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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