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\$2,000,000 Home Board Pledge to Vanderbilt

“I feel that the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more.”
Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the Polio vaccine

The JLN Home Board is excited to announce a pledge of \$2 million to the Monroe Carell, Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt for the expansion of the Center for Advanced Maternal and Fetal Care. The work of the Center is consistent with the mission of the Home Board in serving the needs of children who face crippling conditions.

The clinic’s purpose is to maximize every baby’s chance of having a long, high quality life. Birth defects are one of the top three causes for infant mortality in Tennessee. Currently, Tennessee ranks 48th in infant mortality and 46th in premature births and low birth weights. In these circumstances, two patients need expert care – mother and child. This creates special challenges. The needs are so complex that a single doctor cannot sufficiently treat the mother, the fetus and later, the baby. The mission of the Center for Advanced Maternal and Fetal Care is to provide comprehensive emotional and medical support for mothers and their babies. In the best traditions of the Junior League Home, the Center seeks to draw from a team of experts to bring the latest technology and the most compassionate care to those who so desperately need it, with the hope of improving their outcomes and ensuring quality of future life.



Photograph courtesy of Neil Brake

The funds for this gift will be provided by the Trust, which is restricted for the sole purpose of projects or programs to benefit the “crippled child.” This gift represents a new focus of our annual giving to Vanderbilt.

President Shana Alford and Home Board Chair Kristi Skeeters, with other 2006-07 JLN leaders, are diligently working to finalize the details concerning this gift and look forward to celebrating this gift to the community and announcing the details in the fall. The Home Board is delighted to support this new and innovative clinic. Including the monies to be granted through the Founders’ Gifts, the Home Board expects to announce gifts of over \$2.5 million to the community during the JLN 85th Anniversary year.

Kelly O’Connor
Home Board Marketing and Public Relations

President's Perspective



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MISSION

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

VISION

The Junior League of Nashville is a premier women's volunteer organization. We offer our members the opportunity to build meaningful relationships with others who are unified by a desire to give back to our community. Through the talents of a diverse membership, we will support and enrich the lives of women, children, and families in our community. Together we have greater impact than we do individually.

The Strength of Many, the Power of ONE



Here it is again – another Junior League year! It is always exciting to begin the year with a new committee to work with, new friends to make, and new issues to learn and think about, as we collectively continue our mission to train women volunteers to make a difference in our community.

We start the new placement year with a new theme, *The Power of One*. Over the past 10+ years, the JLN has given me the opportunity to discover my own personal potential, has deepened my character, and has made my world bigger. It has been a key piece in shaping my adulthood, and that realization will continue to motivate me throughout my life.

As I've prepared to assume the Presidency of our League, I am thankful for the amazing women that make up our organization. I am continually reminded that together we are better than any one of us alone. We have strength as many, but we have POWER as One. Whether we are coming together to recruit and launch a new Provisional class, put on our Decorators' Show House, or fulfill our community placements, we know that it takes the power of us ALL to make these things happen with our unique JLN style and impact.

“...it takes the power of us ALL to make these things happen with our unique JLN style and impact.”

As we spend the summer months at a seemingly more relaxed pace, I ask you to take some time to reflect on the impact that you want to make this year as ONE volunteer, ONE organization, ONE community. I'd love to hear your answers! Feel free to drop me an e-mail at salford@jlnashville.org or give me a call at 269-9393 ext. 101.

Thank you in advance for sharing your diverse gifts, talents and spirit with the JLN over this coming year. I look forward to the many great things we will accomplish together.

Shana Alford
President

P.S. Please plan to join me to kick off our year of monthly “Brown Bag” lunches this summer. Bring your lunch and spend time with the 2006-07 Board of Directors discussing issues, asking questions or just chatting. The “Brown Bag Lunch” schedule for the summer is:

- Thursday, June 22
- Thursday, July 27
- Thursday, August 24

All lunches will be at 11:30 a.m. at the JLN Headquarters at 2405 Crestmoor. Actives, Sustainers and Provisionals are welcome. See you there!

Parking Decals

As the saying goes, “it’s out with the old and in with the new” and that is what happens every June for the Junior League of Nashville. For example, the new Board is seated, members receive new committee assignments and a new budget process begins. This old saying also holds true for the Junior League parking decals. The parking decals that you received in September are out of date (’05-’06) and the new decals (’06-’07) are available and can be picked up at JLN Headquarters at 2405 Crestmoor Road.

As a member of the JLN, you are entitled to park in the restricted League parking lot at TACC. The decals aid in the identification of JL members’ automobiles and prevent the towing of members’ cars. This past year, we began to enforce our parking policy and towed cars from the League’s restricted parking lot in order to be compliant with the agreement the League has with the Mall at Green Hills.

Parking decals are available to all League members, including Actives, Sustainers and Provisionals. A second car is no problem. You can obtain a second decal for a small fee of \$5.00.

To properly display your decal, remove the old decal (the decals are static-cling and are easily removed) and place the new decal in the lower right hand corner of the windshield on the passenger side of the car. Remember, with the new parking decal, we will know NOT to put a note on your car or have your car towed.

Hope you have a great summer and Happy New League Year!

Trish Poe, outgoing TACC Chair
Jennifer Caver, incoming TACC Chair

Cookbook Update

The Cookbook Committee for the Junior League of Nashville is looking for a few great leads! We have 1,300 *Notably Nashville* Cookbooks remaining of the first edition before we are able to dive into our new inventory. It is the goal of the 2006-07 Cookbook Committee to sell 5,000 copies of *Notably Nashville* this year.



This is where your help is greatly needed. This year at the first General Membership meeting, the Cookbook Committee will be passing out information cards for you to fill out. We need each of you to bring **at least** three new businesses/contacts for the committee to make contact with in order to establish a new contract. If your information card yields the greatest number of new contracts you will receive a great prize. We hope you’re up for the challenge!

If you have any questions, you can contact Cookbook Co-Chairs Angie Stiff (astiff@cff.org), or Bryna Grant (olemissmrs@comcast.net) for additional information.



Mary Lee Bartlett, Meredith Griffith (above) and Lisanne Hitt (below) celebrate a successful 2005-06 JLN year.



3rd Annual *Notably Nashville* Dinner with Friends

Saturday, October 21st is the BIG NIGHT for the 3rd Annual *Notably Nashville Dinner with Friends*. On that evening, our community will be buzzing with fabulous parties benefiting the Junior League of Nashville!

Are you a hostess with the most-est? Then *Dinner with Friends* needs you to serve as a Party Host. Each Party Host is encouraged to raise \$1,000 for JLN at their party. Actives who raise \$1,000 will fulfill their fundraising requirements and will not be required to complete Show House fundraising shifts. Party Hosts will shop for and prepare food from *Notably Nashville* at a party of their own design.

The *Dinner with Friends* Committee will provide each Party Host:

- Invitations mailed directly to party guests
- RSVP tracking
- JLN volunteers to staff the party
- Four bottles of wine
- Party favors delivered to your home before the event
- Tax letters mailed directly to your guests with tax deduction information

New for *Dinner with Friends*! Local celebrity chefs will come and prepare the food for your party if you commit to raising \$5,000 at *Dinner with Friends*. You will be able to sit back and let the professional do the work for you.

All Actives, Sustainers, and Provisionals are invited to be a Party Host for *Dinner with Friends*, regardless of placement. The deadline to sign up is July 31st. For more information or to sign up as a Party Host, please contact Co-Chairs Diana Day-Cartee (dianaday@comcast.net) or Kendall Womble (kendall@yistationery.com).

2006 Paragon Award Winners

Sustainer of the Year Paragon Award

Marti Rosenberg

The Paragon Award for Sustainer of the Year is given to a Sustainer member of the League who shows us how best to lead a life of volunteerism and has translated her volunteer education and training into community commitment and involvement. This year the Junior League of Nashville honors Marti Rosenberg.

In 1985 Marti served as the Organizational Self Assessment Chair for our League. That year the #1 concern from our membership was child sexual abuse. The League determined the greatest need was to develop a system of care for children brought to Nashville General Hospital for medical evaluation of suspected sexual abuse. In 1987 the League, with \$55,000 of seed money, along with founding partners Nashville General Hospital and Vanderbilt University Medical Center, began the work of OUR KIDS®. The following year a small group of committed Junior League volunteers formed a community board and developed a non-profit corporation to support the project. In 1993 Marti became the Program Director for Our Kids before being named Executive Director in 2000.

Marti has been a member of the League for 34 years. Marti was raised in Connecticut and first joined the League of New Haven. She graduated with honors from the University of Pennsylvania and later received a MBA from Vanderbilt. Marti was one of the founders of the Young Leaders Council and served as its first Director. She has also worked at the Tennessee State Museum and Meharry Medical College. After almost 13 years at OUR KIDS, Marti will leave this summer to run her new business, "Smooth Transitions," which helps people, especially seniors, downsize their households and assists families with estate dispersal.

The most important contributions Marti has made to the world are Jane and Ben Rosenberg. Jane teaches history at an inner-city magnet school in Houston and just finished the Houston to Austin Ride for MS, all 177 miles of it. Ben has recently graduated from Trinity College and is also seeking a teaching position. Marti has been married to husband Billy Rosenberg for 32 years.

Marti volunteers with the Nashville Children's Theatre and the Talking Library, where she is best known as the voice of all six Harry Potter books. Chronic insomnia provides Marti with time for reading, swimming, and attempts at inventing.

Certainly, this inventive woman has given us all a spark of passion for ourselves as volunteers, an increased level of commitment to our League, and our community something in which to be eternally grateful.

Active of the Year Paragon Award

Jillian Waters

We are such a fortunate Junior League to have so many wonderfully talented and dedicated volunteers. While many volunteer organizations struggle to find leaders and people willing to take on substantial responsibility, the Junior League of Nashville continues to flourish with amazing members possessing a wide range of talents. Every year the Junior League of Nashville honors one active member who has shined above the rest and has given tirelessly and unselfishly of her time and tremendous talents. This year Jillian Waters received the Paragon Award for Active of the Year.

Jillian's exceptional commitment, hard work and vision has literally changed how the Junior League of Nashville operates, how Junior League members stay connected and has positioned the JLN to accelerate

forward towards improving the community and lives of others by reducing communication and other operations hurdles. Jillian has spent the last few years focused on improving the technology and communications of the JLN. Jillian helped the League evaluate, select, and implement a new website that has:

- Improved operations through electronic dues collection and event payments
- Improved member satisfaction and fundraising operations with on-line League Power sign up
- Improved communications with emails and on-demand information
- Provided a foundation to move into the future and support the "new" League member who is technologically savvy and busier than ever

Jillian has dedicated hundreds of hours to this task including taking a week of vacation to be present and support the website implementation. The expertise she has imparted the League has literally saved the JLN thousands of dollars in consulting and realization costs. With the improved communications that this new technology provides, the League has already experienced and will continue to experience cost savings.

Managing Director Susan Moll said this about Jillian: "She has great vision for how to conduct JLN business smarter with the goal in mind of maximizing membership satisfaction and connection to one another. I could not do my job without her!" Melinda Cullen said, "Jillian's dedication to the League is unbelievable and her work immeasurable." And 2005-06 President Mary Lee Bartlett remarked, "Jillian works hard tackling problems and developing solutions with the future of the League in mind." Other members have also commented on the many, many hours Jillian has logged at JLN and how she has volunteered these hours not for her own glory, but to make a difference...and that she certainly has.

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Community Service Award Recipient

Chan Sheppard

Each year, the Junior League of Nashville presents the Paragon Award for Community Service to a non-JLN member of the Nashville community who exemplifies the League's mission of service and volunteerism while enriching the lives of women and children.

This year's recipient is Chan Sheppard, Executive Director of Preston Taylor Ministries (PTM). PTM was founded in 1998 to confront many of the problems present in the Preston Taylor public housing area including drug use, gang involvement, teenage pregnancy, illiteracy, and crime. In order to provide hope for children and families living in this environment, PTM develops programs that build life-changing relationships.

Preston Taylor was first introduced to JLN during the 2005 Pillar Grant process. PTM was awarded a Pillar Grant in the spring of 2005 and over this last year, the League has watched in amazement as Chan and the staff and volunteers of PTM *build a better community* each and every day.

Chan was raised in Americus, GA. He graduated from Davidson College in 1992, and then Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1994. In 1999, upon completion of a four-year tour of duty in the US Army, Chan became pastor at Hillcrest Baptist Church and began volunteering at Preston Taylor Ministries. In addition to his work with PTM, Chan also serves as President of the Board of Directors for Rejoice Ministries, the recipient of the 2005 JLN Keystone Grant.

Chan and his wife, Ginger, have been married for almost 12 years. They teach a Sunday School class together at First Presbyterian Church and have two daughters, Tinsley (5) and Lacy (3).

First-Year Active Award Recipient

Alicia Barker

Alicia Barker is an amazing woman! She joined the JLN after meeting several of the League members doing volunteer work throughout the Nashville community. Alicia has been married for six years to Bruce and they have two wonderful little boys, Owen (3) and Bennett (11 months). If that is not enough to keep her busy, she doubled placed this year as a First-Year Active! With great enthusiasm, Alicia and her Co-Chair Lindsay Wright, chaired our first-time event, Step One, single-handedly, with only three months to prepare! Step One was a tremendous success and has laid the foundation for a fantastic Step Two event this coming year.

Alicia also was the League's Operations Chair, another new position, serving on the Finance Council and leading the Operations Committee's efforts to clean up the Archives Room. Talk about throwing someone in the fire!! Alicia also learned a lot this year by participating in the Young Leaders' training program. She has done all this with wonderful grace and always a smile on her face. It is because of all these attributes that we are so proud to have her as our First-Year Active Award winner.

Lindsay Wright, Alicia's Co-Chair for Step One, was not at all surprised when she found out Alicia had been selected as one of the Paragon Award winners. Lindsay said, "Alicia ran circles around me! She brought a new perspective and energy to the League that is rare for a First-Year Active."

We look forward to even greater things from Alicia as she continues her passion for the League. Alicia, thanks for all of your hard work and enthusiasm.

Home Board Year in Review

2005-2006 proved to be a banner year for the Home Board! Under Lisanne Hitt's leadership, the Home Board donated \$370,233 to our partners. These donations included the annual commitment to Vanderbilt Children's Hospital (VCH), along with support for the following programs at VCH: the emergency clothing fund, Christmas gifts for VCH inpatients, JLN Night at the Movies, JLN Entertainment Hour, the Toy Lending Library, Jo's Reach Out & Read and Christmas decorations for the Doctor's Outpatient Tower. Funding was also given to The McNeilly Child Care Center and the Eating Disorders Coalition of Tennessee.

The Home Board is also pleased to report that the Eating Disorders Coalition of Tennessee recently dedicated the JLN Eating Disorders Resource Library and that the Junior League Family Resource Center opened its Toy Lending Library to the community in June.

A special thank you to Lisanne Hitt for two wonderful years as our Home Board Chair. Her wit and knowledge of the League will be greatly missed. Also, Elizabeth Ryan is ending her time on the Home Board – her commitment to the Board over the past three years has been invaluable.

The 2006-2007 Home Board is already making plans for the upcoming year. The Board is made up of amazing women who will continue the legacy set before us. The Board members for the next year include Nici Brooks, Julia Cashion, Meaghen Greene, Meredith Griffith, Erin Morrison, Kelly O'Connor, Grace Paden, Deena Shapiro, and Kristi Skeeters. We have a great year ahead of us and look forward to sharing more exciting news with you all throughout the year.

Kristi Skeeters

2006-2007 Home Board Chair

Membership

Births

Anna Caroline Kemp, born on April 7th to Kristan and Austin Kemp.

Robert William Reusch, born April 20th to Brooke and Jason Reusch.

Cale Joseph Milligan, born May 9th to Miki Milligan.

Sophia Elise Schultenover, born May 22nd to Meredith and Eric Schultenover.

Anne Gleason Goldthorpe, born April 3rd to Georgeanna and Ted Goldthorpe.

Congrats

Members-at-Large would like to congratulate the following First Year Active Representatives:

Ramona "Mona" Hicks- Monday Night
Robyne Atkins- Tuesday Night
Gretchen Selcke- Thursday Night

Director's Letter

The time of transition is in full swing for JLN leaders and for staff as well. On June 15, we said a sad good-bye to our Administrative Assistant, Ajia Farmer. Once Ajia's husband completed his tour of duty in Iraq, the Army rewarded him with a command at Fort Riley, so the Farmers are off to Kansas. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Ajia for her commitment to this League while she was on staff. She generously shared her cheery disposition and positive energy with fellow staff and with all League members who sought assistance from the office. We are all going to miss Ajia very much and wish her the very best in her new adventure in Kansas and in all that her life holds.

We are quite fortunate to have hired a very capable new Administrative Assistant whom was able to spend a good amount of time training with Ajia. Please join me in wel-

coming Meghan Potter to our staff. Meghan is a native of Lexington, Kentucky. She recently graduated from Belmont University with a degree in Business Administration and to top it off, she just got married. Her life is full of change and promise and we are delighted to have her here.

I would also like to thank Martha Teague for her contributions to the JLN staff. We wish her well as she pursues new opportunities with her technology and publications skills. There are no plans to fill this position at this time, so we will remain a staff of three for the near term.

Courtney Ely, Meghan Potter and I look forward to a great 2006-07 JLN year!

Susan Moll
Managing Director

Welcome to the 2006-07 New Actives!

Congratulations to the following women who have completed the 2005-06 Provisional Course and are now new JLN Actives!

Amanda Andrews	Amy Coles	Mandy Hellermann	Kristen Nations	Michele Sonsino
Amy Archer	Whitney Conyers	Mona Hicks	Lacey Newman	Kathryn Spadafora
Caroline Armstrong	Wendy Cornett	Nikki Hightower	Christy Odom	Dee Ann Stone
Amy Arnold	Connor Cranford	Carrie Hininger	Sam Owens	Sarah Stone
Robyne Atkins	Joy Crawford	Meredith Hollomon	Susana Pae	Laura Stubblefield
Tricia Ball	Hannah Curlee	Amy Holt	Lisa Parrish	Janelle Temple
Jordan Beaird	Mariah Daly	Aimee Homan	Lee Patnaik	Kelly Thorne
Katherine Beakes	Eva Daneker	Beth Hooks	Caroline Pheaney	Amy Thurman
Amy Lee Bell	Jann Dower	Kara Houston	Marsha Pierce	Rachel Tomlinson
Katherine Bishop	Chasity Ducksworth	Katie Jackson	Jessika Poirier	Kristin Torrey
Lauren Blair	Jamey Duffy	Susan Johnson	Kerry Price	Mandy Toth
Lindsay Boeko	Amanda Edwards	Anu Kodali	Kami Ransom	Lydia Tucker
Angela Bostelman	Alison Eichten	Annie Larson	Laura Raynor	Marshall Turnbull
Jessica Brown	Alice Essary	Amanda Lisle	Jenny Renfrow	Meghan Van Dongen
Jenny Brunette	Claire Evans	Donna Littleton	Elizabeth Robinson	Nicole Vaughn
Eliza Brunson	Em Ferrell	Kara Mahoney	Christine Rogers	Erica Vick
Lisa Bryan	Rene Fields	Carroll Mauldin	Lynn Rogers	Sarah Watson
Holly Burchett	Allison Fowler	Caitlin McAleese	Meredith Rojek	Edie Wear
Cate Bury	Melissa Gigandet	Kristen McDaniel	Lauren Rowe	Lisa Webb
Holly Calhoun	Lynette Gillis	Andrea McIntyre	Natalie Ruggiero	Amanda Weeks
Katie Camp	Cornelia Gipson	Eleanor McLain	Mandy Leigh Runnels	Ellie Wetzel-Bartels
Beth Carver	Lauren Glascock	Jeanne McRedmond	Jamie Scarbrough	Meg White
Nicki Case	Renee Glotzbach	Beth Miller	Lauren Schmitzer	Becca Williford
Jenni Catron	Pam Gornicki	Katherine Miller	Gretchen Selcke	Kim Wilson
Jennifer Chance	Kristy Groth	Corbi Milligan	Brooke Sevier	Shaun Wilson
Mary Jane Chunn	Ansley Hampton	Stephanie Moore	Dana Shelton	Melissa Windham
Mary Clapp	Kelly Harris	Karey Morgan	Sheila Shields	Shane Woodward
Becky Clark	Irene Head	Nancye Murphy	Elizabeth Sillay	Andrea Yanicky
Rachel Clark	Lee Hederman	Bonnie Nance	Mershon Sneed	Jade Yow

Supper Club 2006-07 Questionnaire

IF YOU ARE ALREADY IN A GROUP OF 5 AND ARE STAYING WITH THAT GROUP, YOU MAY DISREGARD THIS FORM.

Please fill out this form if any of the following apply to you:

- I/We do not currently have a group.
 I would like to be assigned to a new group.
 My group is not full (we have fewer than 5 JLN members/couples) and we need to be matched with new member(s)/couple(s).

Please fill out this entire form even if your information has not changed:

Member Name: _____

Spouse/Guest Name (if applicable): _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: (H) _____ (W/Cell) _____

E-mail: _____

Will you accept your menus via e-mail? Yes No

1. Are you a new member of the JLN Supper Club? Yes No

2. Are you a/an Transfer Active Sustainer Provisional

3. Do you want a singles or couples group? Singles Couples

4. Your age range 20 – 29 30 – 39 40 – 49 50 +

5. Do you have children? Yes No

6. Children's ages: _____

7. Do you have pet allergies? Yes No

8. Do you have pets in your home? Yes, type _____ No

9. Are there topics you do not wish to discuss? _____

10. Is there anything we should know before placing you with a group? _____

Please send this form and your check to

JLN Supper Club, 2405 Crestmoor Road, Nashville, TN 37215 by August 1, 2006.

Participation fees are \$15 per JLN member and are payable to the Junior League of Nashville.

Visit the website, www.jlnashville.org, for more information about the JLN Supper Club!

Membership

2006-07 PROVISIONAL CLASS

We welcome the following 189 women to the 2006-07 Provisional class!

Amy Allan	Allison Flexer	Bettina Lippert	Anne Rochford
Katherine Archer	Michelle Forsythe	Kirsten Lowe	Lana Rogers
Caroline Ballentine	Shellie Fossick	Kayla Lowery	Laura Rouse
Sara Ballington	Ryan Fox	Catherine B. Martin	Melissa Ruff
Jenny Barker	Natalie Franz	Catherine C. Martin	Stephanie Rumbley
Lena Basha	Margaret Gammon	Catie Martin	Lauren Runco
Nan Beaty	Natalie Gardner	Jessica Martin	Jen Schraut
Sarah Beth Belcher	Kay-Kay Garrett	Tricia Martin	Brooke Schroeder
Marissa Benchea	Jordan Garrison	Leslie Matthews	Merry Sedlak
Jennifer Bennett	Lori Genes	Renee McAdams	Autumn Sellars
Robin Bennett	Elissa Giebelhausen	Tricia McCarter	Lex Ann Sheridan
Emily Bishop	Sarah Gilbert	Mackenzie McCracken	Susan Sherlock
Brandy Bivens	Lara Gray	Meredith McCracken	Emme Simpkins
Katie Bolen	Ann Miller Greathouse	Jessica McDuffie-Massey	Claire Slone
Alicia Bolin	Grace Guerra	Anna McFarland	Tori Smith
Shelley Bowman	Kimberly Gunn	Ashley McLellan	Jodi Sneed
Michele Boyette	Mary Beth Haltom	Blaire McMeans	Jennie Rebecca Springer
Jennifer Bubrig	Ginger Hannah	Lindsey McRae	Mandy Springer
Anne Laura Burks	Tanna Hannold	Paige Menge	Amanda Stanley
Sarah Marie Campbell	Pam Harper	Missy Michaels	Jaime Sullivan
Carson Carlisle	Ashley Haury	Meg Milam	Shari Sutton
Gina Carota	Lauren Hayden	Ashley Money	Erica Taylor
Stacey Carrico	Leigh Hearne	Lisa Montross	Leslie Terry
Alissa Carruba	Maggie Henderson	Julie Moore	Suzanne Thigpen
Melissa Chera	Emily Hicks	Lynn Moore	Natalie Trussell
Amy Cozart	Leslie Higgins	Dena Nessari	Shanda Tubbs
Ashley Crowell	Lauren Hitch	Lindsey Neuhaus	Katie Tummins
Casey Crysler	Kari Hollin	Kat Noojin	Amanda Vick
Kate Darga	Elizabeth Hosea	Kristin O'Neil	Mary Vick
Lisa DeBusk	Laura Hutchison	Jami O'Quin	Angel Viera
Dallas Dedmon	Ashley Hutton	Emily Ogden	Jamie Wade
Peggy Denton	Sara Hylton	Alicia Parker	Jennifer Wagner
Abbie Derrick	Lindsey Johnson	Beth Parks	Alice Wall
Kathy Dillard	Casey Jones	Mende Pattee	Cindy Wallace
Casey Dillon	Liz Jones	Courtney Penney	Charlotte Ward
Marcie Douget	Michelle Jordan	Suzanne Petty	Courtney Weiler
Susannah Doyle	Brandy Kahlig	Wendy Pharris	Michelle Weiss
Ellen Duke	Sinclair Kelly	Beth Philbin	Mandy Welch
Callie Dunaway	Courtney Kincaid	Amy Pitts	Sarah Welsh
Jill Edwards	Sandy Kinnett	Caroline Platz	Rebecca White
Julie Edwards	Beth Knott	Carrie Pope	Sarah Williams
Meredith Edwards	Nicole Kotys	Sherrill Richardson	Jennifer Wood
Anna Elkins	Kimberly LaMarque	Ashley Richter	Kelly Wood
Kathy Elliott	Chaye Larsen	Samantha Richter	Joanna Wootten
Stefanie Ellis	Melissa Latta	Meg Risen	Kerri Zelenik
Kelly Etheridge	Megan Lawrence	Stephanie Rishel	
Lora Eubank	Arienne Lebow	Lauren Ritzen	
Julia Felton	Laura Lee	Ashley Roberts	

JLN Nominee for CNM Board Member of the Year Award

The 2006 JLN Board has selected Lisanne Hitt as the first annual Junior League nominee for the Center for Nonprofit Management's Board Member of the Year Award. Lisanne was selected from many accomplished members of the 2005-2006 JLN Board for her exemplary leadership, vision and commitment as Home Board Chair and her advocacy and numerous contributions to the mission of the JLN.

In her unprecedented 2 terms as Home Board Chair (and during her year as Chair-Elect), Lisanne served for 2 years on the JLN Board of Directors and for 3 years on Council. She has also represented the JLN at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital (VCH) in numerous capacities including service on the VCH Board and the Friends of VCH Board.

As Home Board Chair, Lisanne redesigned the structure of the Home Board to improve efficacy and oversaw the creation of a strategic plan for how the JLN continues to partner with VCH. Lisanne has been instrumental in financial oversight of the JLN Trust and has been the leading architect of innovative new ways in which the JLN distributes money to Vanderbilt. Lisanne led the Home Board in determining the guidelines for the \$500,000 Founders' Gifts and also re-examined Home Board funding procedures. It was Lisanne's determination to ensure fairness in considering funding proposals that has led to the creation of a Home Board legacy gift. She has done all of this while tirelessly attending umpteen meetings and ceaselessly representing the Home Board in many ways such as at Provisional meetings, trainings, supplemental meetings, and various additional Vanderbilt functions.

Mary Lee Bartlett stated, "We are most fortunate there are many members of our Board who would qualify as Board Member of the Year...however, I am

delighted that the 2006-07 Board selected Lisanne Hitt. Lisanne epitomizes all the positive things for which our organization stands: community service, a willingness to give back, and a desire to make this world a better place. She is intelligent, strong, determined, compassionate, and above all, hilarious! I am very proud to call this kind-hearted woman friend and am thrilled that she's being honored for the many gifts she's shared with all of us."

Current Home Board Chair Kristi Skeeters remarked, "Lisanne has been a tremendous asset to the Junior League over the years. She has provided forethought and insight to several processes in order to strengthen our ability to make an impact in the community. Her work will enable us to continue the legacy of our founder's for many years to come."

Elizabeth Ryan added that it was Lisanne who discovered the quote by Dr. Jonas Salk that the Home Board has adopted as its motto, "I feel that the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more." Elizabeth, who has served for 3 years on Home Board with Lisanne and also on her Community Council, added that the words are "a great way to sum her up."

A \$4,000 grant, sponsored by Kraft CPAs, is awarded to the winner of the Board Member of the Year Award's organization. The Board Member of the Year winner will be announced at the Salute to Excellence Dinner on October 24. Please contact the Members-at-Large Committee for ticket information if you would like to join JLN members at the dinner and help celebrate Lisanne's accomplishments and other excellence in the nonprofit community.

Kelly O'Connor
VP of Communications & Marketing

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Also, you may wish to go to the "Edit your Profile" page. We will be pulling lists for Yearbook soon and we want to be sure we are publishing accurate information. Please submit your changes online. If you have had a change in marital status, please call the JLN office at 269-9393 so that we may change your salutations properly.

Until the Yearbook is published, you may look for updated member information by using the online directories. Please call the office if you need any assistance on the website.

Thank you!



Congratulations to JLN Sustainer Debi Tate who received the Mary Harriman Award at AJLI Annual Conference, May 2006.

Meet the Board

2006-2007

The women of the Board of Directors give lots of their time and talents to making the JLN a strong, well-run League! More importantly, they are dynamic women with a knack for leadership and a vision of success. We've put together some quick information about the members to help you get to know them better.

Shana Alford, President

Children? If so, names and ages?

Christian (13)

Favorite JLN placement? I can't say that I have a favorite. I have loved them all for differing reasons.

Favorite Nashville restaurant? They all are my favorite if I don't have to cook!

Favorite place to visit for a weekend? Home. It would be great to be there all weekend!

If you were an animal, what would you be? I would be my dog, Millie. She's got it made.

Best advice you were ever given? Don't worry about the things you can't control.

Melinda Cullen, VP of Finance

Children? If so, names and ages?

Blake (7) and Katie (5)

Favorite book? Stolen Lives and more recently Memoirs of a Geisha

Favorite JLN placement? American Girl Treasurer

What trait best defines you? Happy

If you were an animal, what would you be? Giraffe- they intrigue me!

Best advice you were ever given? Try new things and SMILE often!

Vanessa Handrick-Garner, VP of Community

Children? William Maso (14 months)

Favorite Book? The Great Gatsby, The Bell Jar, A Woman's Worth, She's Come Undone... Can't pick just one!

Favorite JLN Placement? Anything Community!

Best advice you were ever given? My mother always tells me to never, ever, ever give up and to always take responsibility for your actions.

In five years I'd like to be... watching the seeds that the 2006-07 Board will plant

flourishing and to make a difference within the community and the League.

Favorite place to visit for a weekend?

Topsail Island, NC

Sally Holland, Treasurer

How long have you lived in Nashville?

Since 1997

Favorite book? Love to read, but I can't really name a favorite!

Favorite Nashville restaurant? Fleming's for steak, and Sole Mio for pasta

Favorite JLN Placement? Home Board Asset Manager

What trait best defines you? Loyalty – to friends, family, job. Probably to a fault.

Best advice you were given? Don't step on the "little" people. They can help you accomplish most things in life and can make or break you.

Liza Lentz, Sustainer Representative

Children? If so, names and ages? Davis (24)

Mary Liza (21) and Eleanor (16)

Favorite book? Empire Falls

Favorite JLN Placement? Being President of JLN

Favorite Restaurant? Brown's Diner

If you were an animal, what would you be?

Any one of the Lentz family pampered pets

Best advice you were given? My grandmother used to tell me to "Back off and bite myself" which usually meant I needed to stop doing whatever I was doing and get myself back on track.

Mary Catherine McAnulty, Members-at-Large

Favorite book? The Girl with the Pearl Earring

Favorite JLN placement? Cookbook Co-Chair

What trait best defines you? Persistent

Happiest memory? My wedding day

Best advice you were ever given?

Never give up

In five years I'd like to be... working in my current job as a Broker at Viva Properties, LLC and possibly having children

Kelly O'Connor, VP of Communications and Marketing

How long have you lived in Nashville?

Almost 11 years

Favorite book? Les Miserables or The Scarlet Pimpernel

Favorite JLN placement? How do you choose? Fundraising Research (Cows on Parade), Millennium Committee (JLN Children's Section of the Nashville Library) and Home Board were particularly special; serving on the JLN Board has been a huge honor; 3 years under the leadership of Lisanne Hitt has also been a big highlight!

Favorite place to visit for a weekend?

St. Thomas, USVI - for a weekend or for a decade!

If you were an animal, what would you be?

A dolphin or a porpoise

Best advice you were ever given? Advice from my father, "pack half as many clothes and take twice as much money"

In five years I'd like to be... happy, healthy, fluent in French and a size 4!

Karin Prentice, Recording Secretary

Children? If so, names and ages? Sam (4) and Olivia (2)

Favorite JLN placement? Provisional Co-Chair with Catherine Beemer and Mary Morgan Bryan

If you were an animal, what would you be?

I'd love to be my 2 yellow labs: eat, sleep, and play catch..what a life!

Happiest memory? All of my childhood summers. I'd leave the house after breakfast and spend the day playing chase through creeks and riding my bike all over town. I would not go home until almost dark.

Best advice you were ever given? I live by the Serenity Prayer: God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

In five years I'd like to be... The mother of happy, healthy children

Anything else you want to share? Women, especially Southern women, are not very good at being self-promoters. Yet, our League is filled with smart, talented women. Don't be afraid to fill out Willingness to Serve forms or volunteer to take on a leadership role.

Board of Directors

Benning Ratliff, VP of Membership

What is your hometown?

The desert....Midland, Texas

Children? If so, names and ages? Phillip (4) and Mills Morgan (22 months)

Favorite book? The Blessing of a Skinned Knee

Favorite JLN placement? League Power Co-Chair (I loved working with Tonya Stevens)

Favorite Nashville restaurant? Miss Saigon

Best advice you were ever given? NEVER look into a mirror naked after you have had a baby!

Sheri Rieger, Corresponding Secretary

Children? If so, names and ages? George (2) and Amelia (9 months)

Favorite JLN placement? Provisional Habitat House Group Project Chair

Favorite place to visit for a weekend? San Francisco or Napa -- any field of grapes and a glass will do

What trait best defines you? Loud

If you were an animal, what would you be?

Eagle - would actually enjoy the protection from the federal gov't and they mate for life
Happiest memory? Surprise birthday party turned surprise engagement party

Best advice you were ever given? "Do good to those who hate you."

In five years I'd like to be.... thin, rich and retired

Mary Rigby, President-Elect

Children? If so, names and ages? Maria (15)

Favorite book? A children's book called The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes; it has an amazing message for kids about peer pressure, judging people, etc.

Favorite JLN placement? Toss up between chairing American Girls and chairing Transfers

Favorite Nashville restaurant? Cracker Barrel for breakfast, The Picnic for lunch, and Bucca di Beppo for dinner

Happiest memory? Toss up between my wedding day and the day our daughter was born - they were both magical days

Best advice you were ever given? From my mother: "Never ask anyone how old they are, how much money they have or who they voted for in the last election."

In five years I'd like to be.... a very wise Sustainer!

Anything else you want to share? So many women have helped me along the way since I joined the League in 1994 - it's what the League is about. You are not only a member to develop your own potential - but you are also here to help other women develop theirs.

Elizabeth Ryan, Parliamentarian

How long have you lived in Nashville? Total of 19 years

Children? If so, names and ages? Emma (5 1/2) and Catherine (3)

Favorite JLN placement? Our Kids

If you were an animal, what would you be? A turtle because I'd have a safe shelter to retreat to when life gets tough, and, by my very design, I would have to move slowly

Happiest memory? Eating pizza in my D.C. apartment with my to-be husband on the night he flew up to surprise me with a marriage proposal

Best advice you were ever given? Be true to yourself.

Kristi Skeeters, Home Board Chair

Children? If so, names and ages? Mason (3) and we're expecting our 2nd son in September.

Favorite book? The Giving Tree - I remember my Mom reading it to me and I love reading it to my son.

Favorite JLN placement? Definitely the Home Board - I am honored to be the chair this year.

If you were an animal, what would you be? My husband would say the family dog - loyal and protective of the ones that I love.

Best advice you were ever given? My grandfather told my husband and me at our Rehearsal Dinner to always kiss goodnight.

Anything else you want to share? Thank you for the honor to serve as Home Board Chair. We have a very exciting year ahead!

Tonya Stevens, VP of Education and Training

Children? If so, names and ages? Joseph (6), Turner (4) and Walker (23 months)

Favorite book? A Prayer for Owen Meany

Favorite JLN placement? Placement

Favorite Nashville restaurant? Chick-Fil-A in Brentwood

Happiest memory? Giving birth to my children

Best advice you were ever given? Don't follow the pack, do what will make you happy, believe in yourself.

Michele Tougette, Members-at-Large

Children? If so, names and ages?

Ella Jewel (11 weeks old)

Favorite JLN placement? American Girl Fashion Show

What trait best defines you? Always smiling and organized. A smile helps lead all situations in a positive direction.

Best advice you were ever given? "Luck is when preparation meets opportunity."

In five years I'd like to be.... happy -- able to reach my goal of perfectly balancing work and family.

Anything else you want to share? Always remember to have fun and enjoy what you do - in the home, at work and volunteering, and remain optimistic.

Valerie Van Eaton, VP of Development

Favorite JLN placement? Nominating Chair.

What trait best defines you? I think too much.

If you were an animal, what would you be?

A potty-trained Siamese Cat...they do exist
Best advice you were ever given? "Life's too short. Let it go."

In five years I'd like to be.... retired - but I won't be

Anything else you want to share? When you joined JLN, you became part of a long legacy of women who were able to look beyond their own lives and circumstances to improve the lives of others who were not as fortunate as they. You get to share in that legacy, and you also get the chance to build on it. Be fearless and have fun!

Jillian Waters, Strategic Planning Chair

Favorite book? Angels and Demons

Favorite JLN placement? Technology Chair

Favorite Nashville restaurant? Park Cafe

What trait best defines you? Good problem solver

Best advice you were ever given? Don't sweat the small stuff

In five years I'd like to be.... retired

Communications & Marketing Council

Editor's Note: This year, we hope to clarify how JLN "works" to help you better understand how YOUR power can be put to work. In each issue, we will highlight the roles played by one of our councils.

As you flip through this year's first edition of *League Link*, you may have noted that Emily Rosencranz and Brooke Reusch are the Editor and Editor-Elect of this publication. You might also have noticed the great job that they have done. What you might not realize is that their job is often like something from the Brothers Grimm where they spin gold from straw. Submissions often are not as polished as might be hoped and through their editing they work their magic. (For example, the submitted title to this article was "The Communications Posse" ...my titles are all colossally bad!)

There are a number of other incredible women whose placements are in the communications realm and whose work may be even less visible. The JLN is incredibly fortunate to have the talents of the following members serving the communications needs of the JLN.

Heather Adams is one of these remarkable members. Heather, who transferred from the Atlanta League several years ago, has bravely agreed to serve as the 85th Anniversary Publicity Chair. Very brave considering that 85th Anniversary plans are still being determined!

Beth Alexander graciously accepted to serve as the Sustainer Representative to the Communications and Marketing Council. Beth, a former President of the JLN and past AJLI Board Member, is uniquely qualified to both represent Sustainers and offer a big picture perspective and valuable insight and advice to the Council.

Every press release, media advisory, calendar release, or any other type of publicity pitch related to the JLN first needs to be

cleared and approved by Amy Atkinson, Publicity Chair or Hannah Curlee, Chair-Elect. This dynamic duo directs all of the JLN's publicity efforts. Through their diligence we are able to maximize our exposure in the community.

Amy Lee Bell serves as *Notably Nashville* Publicity Chair. A First Year Active, she directs the marketing and publicity plan of the JLN Cookbook.

All of Nashville will be eagerly anticipating Dinner with Friends through the skills of Silvia Castaneda-Roddy, DWF Publicity Chair, and Elizabeth Broyhill, who will be spearheading DWF Communications.

Meetings Co-Chair, Wendy Foster, along with the other Co-Chairs, Kristen Kaminsky and Anne Taylor-Fones, plan and coordinate every JLN membership meeting -the most fundamental form of JLN internal communications.

Amanda Gaw, Training Co-Chair, together with her Co-Chair Kari Knowlton, are responsible for training the JLN membership, for communicating training opportunities to the membership, and coordinating membership training needs with potential speakers.

Together, *Notably Nashville* Co-Chairs Bryna Grant and Angie Stiff lead their committee as they look to reprint this award-winning cookbook and increase the number of locations in which it is carried.

Home Board Publicity Chair, Kelly O'Connor, will communicate all of the Home Board happenings.

Corresponding Secretary Sheri Reiger and Corresponding Secretary-Elect Lucy Nichols serve on the frontline of JLN communication efforts. From welcoming new Transfers to congratulating new Sustainers and everything in between, Sheri

and Lucy are in constant communication with JLN members as well as with other Leagues across the country.

Gay Roberts, Yearbook Chair, and Diana Bradford, Chair-Elect, are currently busy compiling the information for a terrific yearbook so that members have important details at their fingertips to communicate to each other!

Meredith Schultenover, Technology Chair-Elect and Gabrielle Chapman, Technology Chair, explore ways that technology can continue to serve the needs of the membership. They also are looking at how we can utilize our website to communicate more effectively externally.

Show House Communications Coordinator Martha Teague leads the efforts to inform the community about all of the exciting information regarding the Holiday Show House.

In addition to serving in the new Communications Coordinator position, Necie Elizabeth Young has also stepped up to produce this year's annual Report to the Community, together with Chair-Elect Joy Haynes. This report represents a very special link in our communications, as it is sent to all JLN donors.

As you can see, the members serving on the Communications & Marketing Council truly comprise a dream team. While not all of the members listed serve on the Communications Council, (some serve on other councils, others are committee members who do not have Council positions) all play a critical role in the success of the JLN communications.

Kelly O'Connor
VP Communications & Marketing

The AJLI Experience: Annual Conference 2006 - Salt Lake City

When Shana asked me to write a piece about my AJLI experience, there was so much to choose from. The thought of picking just one or two truly memorable or inspiring moments was going to be difficult. There was “the funny” -- losing my luggage and it wasn’t the airline’s fault. There was “the cool” -- Grace Paden getting Tony Hawk’s autograph. And there was “the prolific” -- speakers like Picabo Street, Debi Tate and Elizabeth Smart, just to name a few. You can see I had quite a bit to choose from, but I finally decided to share with you a few experiences that still resonate with me today.

Picabo Street – Team Work

The Keynote speaker from the conference was Picabo Street. I must admit when I got my conference packet I wasn’t sure how “inspiring” or “memorable” Picabo was going to be. I couldn’t have been more wrong. While most recently Picabo was a commentator for the NBC Today Show during the 2006 Winter Olympics in Torino, her real claim to fame came in 1998 during the Nagano Olympic Games. You may remember that she overcame an ACL tear in her knee with just under a year to prepare for the competition. Many people counted her out after the tear and just a few days before the super giant slalom she had a serious crash. In fact on race day her equipment manager brought the wrong (but her most favorite) pair of skis and she didn’t even get in a practice run. She was going against all odds. However, she had behind her something that no one else had -- a TEAM of women that, for the first time in her entire skiing career, shared a mutual respect for one another. In previous years, ugly bickering, back stabbing, and disrespect ran amuck among the teams. That year her coach brought them together at the start of the year, sat them down and told them it finally had to stop. They did team building exercises, conflict resolution train-

ing, and probably spent less time on the slopes and more time working out team conflict. She flew down the mountain faster than anyone else, but she had the confidence of not only herself but her entire team backing her. It paid off and she got the GOLD!

Picabo is as dynamic a speaker as she is a skier and she knows more about perseverance and teamwork than I may ever know. She had a room full of Junior League junkies ready to fly down the slopes with her, and it didn’t matter that half of them had never skied. Picabo is now the national spokesperson for the National Children’s Alliance, an alliance of more than 500 Children’s Advocacy Centers throughout the U.S. devoted to helping victims of child abuse.

Panel Group – Self Confidence

I also had the privilege of attending a panel discussion made up of three amazing women. They included our own Debi Tate, Commissioner of the FCC and AJLI Mary Harriman Award winner, Juliet Rowland, President and CEO of United Way Ohio, and Jacqueline Butcher De Rivas, a past AJLI International Director from the JL of Mexico City. All of these women brought tremendous professional and life experience to the panel. Juliet was the first African American woman to be president of a Junior League. Jacqueline spoke about literally digging ditches in the poorest areas of Mexico on a Monday and then dining with heads of state and discussing public policy on Friday. And of course there is our own Debi, who spearheaded building the Renewal House and in November 2005 was appointed Commissioner of the FCC by President Bush.

I was shocked when a member of the audience asked, if you could go back in time with the lessons you’ve learned, what advice would you give other young League

members following in your footsteps? Each member of the panel without hesitation spoke to wishing they’d had more confidence and encouraged the younger women in the crowd to believe in her own instincts. I remember thinking “these women lacked confidence?” They spoke to the fact that our lives are full of tough decisions – career, family, etc. However, just because we are women we shouldn’t apologize for being mothers and delaying or forgoing our careers, or delaying a family to put our careers first. They emphasized that we should trust in our decisions and believe in our dreams. I would challenge each of you to do the same. Who knows, we may have future Supreme Court Justice in our Provisional Class!

Elizabeth Smart – Inspirational

As if all of this weren’t enough, we had the honor and privilege of being serenaded at the AJLI Awards Dinner by one America’s premier harpists and Utah native, Elizabeth Smart. Elizabeth shared with us that she will be attending Brigham Young University in the fall and plans to pursue a career as either a professional harpist with a symphony orchestra or a music teacher. She is an incredible talent that brought tears to everyone’s eyes and a roaring applause for both her musical and personal triumph.

It was an honor to be selected along with Grace Paden to represent the Junior League of Nashville as a Delegate-D and represent our award winning League. I see great things in our future, as does AJLI. Last but not least, please don’t forget to check the overhead compartments for your luggage before exiting the aircraft.

Have a great summer,
Meredith Walker

Leagues Rebuilding a Better Community in New Orleans

Liz Creel, the immediate Past President of the Junior League of New Orleans, served her League during one of the darkest moments in New Orleans' rich history. She was President when Hurricane Katrina hit, devastating her city, scattering her community and severing her contact with her JLNO members.

But in typical League fashion, the JLNO was not down for long. Thanks to the strength and determination of their members and to the kindness of many Leagues across the country (including Nashville), JLNO has not only reorganized, but is already giving back to the New Orleans community by re-opening their Bloomin' Deals Thrift Shop to the public and by spear-heading a new initiative called "Leagues Rebuilding a Better Community in New Orleans." This initiative was presented at the most recent AJLI Annual Conference in Salt Lake City in May and is being led by none other than JLNO's immediate Past President, Liz Creel.

The goal of "Leagues Rebuilding" is to have at least *four* members from each of the 296 Leagues head to New Orleans the week of Friday, September 29th through Saturday, October 7th to help revitalize a neighborhood that was destroyed as a result of Katrina. If your schedule only permits

you to come for a limited time, then plan to come for the events on Thursday, October 5th, which will include bus tours of devastated areas and guest speakers. On Friday and Saturday, JL members will be asked to work in the community to help restore homes and schools in the affected areas. JLNO is working to get participants reduced hotel rates and can pay for hotels if necessary. All airfare/car gasoline must be paid by individuals. Spouses/significant others are welcome (sorry, no children under 14)! Those with carpentry, plumbing and electrician skills are encouraged to participate, but a willing heart and a desire to help are the primary qualifications needed.

If you are interested in being a part of Leagues Rebuilding a Better Community in New Orleans, please contact **Heather Perry** at heather0329@earthlink.net or 336-4358 for details. The deadline for registering was June 15th, though space may still be available.

Thank you again for the concern and compassion you have shown our friends on the Gulf Coast during their time of need. We hope you will help continue our tradition of giving back ~ no matter how far away the need might be!

Heather Perry

Community Assistance Fund Supports Tornado Victims

On April 7th, tornadoes devastated the homes and businesses of our friends and neighbors in the Hendersonville and Gallatin areas. With these families in mind, the Community Council voted to give the remaining money (\$2800) in the Community Assistance Fund (CAF) to help the victims of the tornadoes.

The CAF was established to enable the Junior League of Nashville to respond quickly to community requests for funding

of immediate financial needs due to unforeseen circumstances.

In researching the appropriate venue for the donation, the Community Council contacted the Gallatin Service League. Per their recommendation, JLN will be making a donation to *Gallatin Cares*. The CAF money will be joined with additional money donated by the Meetings Committee for a total donation of \$3100 to this worthy cause.

Opportunities for AJLI Elected Positions

Have you ever considered taking your League career to the Association level? Women, like JLN's Beth Alexander and Mary Rigby, who have demonstrated a passion for the Mission and Vision of AJLI have found service at the Association level to be challenging and rewarding. It is an ideal opportunity to make a difference in the future of the Junior League movement by providing the strong and visionary leadership that the Association needs. Applications for the positions to be slated in the fall of 2006 are now being accepted. The available positions for terms starting in 2007 are:

- President-Elect, an Executive Committee position (serves a one-year term as PE and then automatically becomes President for a two-year term 2008-2010)
- Secretary, an Executive Committee position and a three-year term
- Nominating Vice Chair (serves a one-year term as Vice Chair and automatically becomes Chair for another one-year term; serves on Board of Directors both terms)
- 2 Area (I, II) and 2 At-Large Directors serving on the Board; all terms are three years
- 3 Area (II, IV, VI) and 2 At-Large Representatives to the Nominating Committee; all terms are two years

Applications are available on the Member Area of the AJLI website. Job descriptions and qualifications are included. Applications will be accepted from now through Monday, September 11th. (Reminder: To access the Member Area after May 31st, you must be registered with your unique username and password. If you need assistance please contact us directly by calling 1-800-955-3248.) To learn more about the Nominating process, please email the Nominating Committee at ajli_governance@ajli.org.

Fall Meetings & Events

Date	Time	Meeting	Location
September 2006			
Monday, September 4		<i>Labor Day</i>	
Tuesday, September 5	6:00pm- 8:00pm	Board Meeting	2405 Board
Tuesday, September 12	6:30pm	Joint Council	TACC
Tuesday, September 19	7:00pm	Membership Meeting	TBA
Wednesday, September 20	Noon	Membership Meeting	TACC
Saturday, September 23		<i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	
Thursday, September 28	11:30am	Brown Bag Lunch	2405 Board
October 2006			
Monday, October 2		<i>Yom Kippur</i>	
Tuesday, October 3	6:00pm- 8:00pm	Board Meeting	2405 Board
Monday, October 9		<i>Columbus Day</i>	
Tuesday, October 10	6:30pm	Joint Council	TACC
Monday, October 16	7:00pm	Membership Meeting	TACC
Tuesday, October 17	7:00pm	Membership Meeting	TACC
Wednesday, October 18	Noon	Membership Meeting	TACC
Saturday, October 21	TBA	Dinner with Friends	
Thursday, October 26	11:30am	Brown Bag Lunch	2405 Board
Tuesday, October 31		<i>AJLI Awards Applications Due!</i>	
November 2006			
Wednesday, November 1	9:30am	Board of Trust	2405 Board
Tuesday, November 7	6:00pm- 8:00pm	Board Meeting	2405 Board
Tuesday, November 14	6:30pm	Joint Council	TACC
Saturday, November 11		<i>Veterans' Day</i>	
Thursday, November 23		<i>Thanksgiving</i>	
Monday, November 27	7:00pm	Membership Meeting	TACC
Tuesday, November 28	7:00pm	Membership Meeting	TACC
Wednesday, November 29	Noon	Membership Meeting	TACC
Thursday, November 30	11:30pm	Brown Bag Lunch	2405 Board
December 2006			
* Friday, December 1		Show House Gala	
* Saturday, December 2 to Sunday, December 17		Holiday Show House	
Tuesday, December 5	6:00pm- 8:00pm	Board Meeting	2405 Board
Tuesday, December 12	6:00pm	Joint Council	Show House
Happy Holidays! No Membership Meetings in December			
Saturday, December 16		<i>Chanukah begins</i>	
Monday, December 25		<i>Christmas Day</i>	
Tuesday, December 26		<i>Kwanzaa begins</i>	

* Tentative

Please see the JLN website, www.jlnashville.org, for a comprehensive and updated list of 2006-07 meetings.

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