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Our next General Membership Meeting
will be Tuesday, September 9, 2009

The JLY Legacy
Speaker: Helen Paes

The Youngstown Club
6:30 p.m. Social
7:00 p.m. Meeting



Mission Statement

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

Briefly Speaking is published ten times per year for members of JLY. The deadline for each edition is the first of the month. Information should be submitted via email to Tara Mady at tmady@gmail.com.

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Passport to Prizes
Liz Skeels

Done In a Day Projects
Deb Hartig

Pink Ribbon Tea
Annette Camacci, Sue Berny
Leilani Drake, *Active Liaison*

Angel Ball
Ingrid Lundquist
Melanie Angiuli, *Active Liaison*

Sustainer Representatives
Joyce Mistovich, Patti Edwards,
Suzyn Schwebel Epstein,
Jan Strasfeld

President's Message



Happy Birthday Junior League of Youngstown!

This year, the Junior League of Youngstown will be celebrating a birthday! It's our 80th year as an organization of women building better communities. Throughout the year, I thought it might be fun to highlight some interesting JLY historical highlights:

- The *Junior Service League of Youngstown* was established on **December 3, 1929** by 10 women.
- One year later, the *Youngstown Junior Service League Shop and Workroom for the Blind and Disabled* was opened on Rayen Avenue.
- The Junior League of Youngstown was accepted into membership by AJLI (Association of Junior Leagues International) on **March 11, 1932**.
- The first League sponsored exhibit of etchings was held at the *Butler Art Gallery*.
- There were 53 members.

This brief bit of history inspires me! Although it happened 80 years ago, it sounds familiar - doesn't it? It is amazing what a small group of committed, industrious and talented women can accomplish! As a League, we continue to compassionately reach out to those with special needs as well as those who are less fortunate through our annual volunteer efforts at *St. John's Soup Kitchen* and this year's Done-in-a-Day volunteer opportunities assisting the *Down Syndrome Association of the Valley*, *Harding Elementary School*, *Hope House*, the *Rescue Mission of the Mahoning Valley*, *Day Break* and *Second Harvest Food Bank*.

We continue to be firmly grounded in our association with AJLI and hosted a two-day site visit this past June with our AJLI Liaison. It was rather fitting that after two days of productive meetings with the JLY Board of Directors and Sustainers, she received a lovely private tour of the Butler Museum of American Art.

We continue to hold premiere events such as the Pink Ribbon Tea which celebrates its 15th

anniversary on October 5, 2009. And we hold fast to JLY holiday traditions including the elegant *Mother/Daughter Brunch (November 28, 2009)* and the fabled *Angel Ball (December 26, 2009)*.

We are 292 members strong and have an extraordinary legacy to be proud of! Join me in a year-long celebration of our past history, our current success and an exciting League future filled with possibilities, excellence and General Membership meetings!

Wishing all of you *best wishes* for an active, productive and fun League year!

Pass the cake please!

Michele

Meet the In-League Communications Committee

Tara Mady, Chair

Tara received both her M.B.A. and B.S.B.A. degree in marketing management from Youngstown State University. She is currently the Director of Marketing for the United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley. Tara resides in Poland.

Danielle Baffafarano

Danielle attended Bethany College in West Virginia for two years and then transferred to YSU where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and a minor in Business Management. Danielle has a passion for helping the community which is evident in her community involvement with the MVP 2030 Club, Young Philanthropist Fund, and Hope House Visitation Center. Danielle currently resides in Poland.

Shanna Laraway

Shanna received both her master's and bachelor's degrees, in education, from Youngstown State University. She is in her seventh year of teaching for Champion Local Schools. In addition to the Junior League, Shanna is a board member of the MVP 20/30 Club and a member of Delta Kappa Gamma. She and her husband, Brian, live in Boardman with their dog, Maizie.



Angel Ball to be Held Saturday, December 26, 2009

The 2009 Angel Ball will be held Saturday, Dec. 26 at the newly renovated Lake Club. The following daughters/sons and granddaughters/grandsons have committed to participate in the event:

Britta Carson
Tammy Chevlen
Jake Chevlen
Dorie Chevlen
Abe Chevlen
Nick Hunter
Justin McCarty
Catie McKelvey
Emma Rumberg
Ryan Sankovic
Garrett Trebilcock
Gavin Trebilcock
Gia Velasquez



Rehearsal for the event will be Wednesday, Dec. 23 for angels, honorees and their parents.

Members with children or grandchildren who are juniors or seniors in high school during the 2009-2010 school year or a college freshmen in the 2009-2010 school are invited to participate. Immediately contact Chairs Ingrid Lundquist at ingridial@aol.com or Annette Camacci at amcacorn@aeroext.com.

Fund Development

The JLY 80th year Pendant created by Flybird Designs will be available to view and for purchase/order at the general membership meetings, so bring your checkbook! Order soon if you want to give this one of a kind gift to an "Angel" or a friend for the holidays.

End of Summer Social

Thursday, September 24, 2009
Ricchiuti Lake House, 5:30 p.m.

A-L Please bring a salad or hors d'oeuvres
M-Z Please bring a dessert
Beverages provided

Cost \$10 per person

Please RSVP by September 21st by calling Phyllis Ricchiuti at 330.757.8484.



2009-2010 General Membership Meeting Schedule

September 8, 2009 The Youngstown Club

October 13, 2009 Harding Elementary School

November 10, 2009 Sojourner House/Northside
Community Center

January 12, 2010 Annual Neighborhood
Meetings

February 9, 2010 Fit Woman Gym
(Women's Health Month)

March 9, 2010 McDonough Museum
(Youngstown State University)

April 13, 2010 Children's Center for
Science and Technology
(former JLY project:
The Children's Museum of
the Valley)

May 11, 2010 JLY Annual Dinner

Done In a Day Project

When: October 13, 2009

Where: October General Membership Meeting

Who: Harding Elementary School, Youngstown

What: Items for the school store

The JLY will collect items for the Harding Elementary School store. The items in the store are rewards for the students. Nancy Williamson is starting the program this year. Please bring the items to the September General Membership meeting based on your last name.



A to M

Crayons (64 pack), small tablets, fancy erasers, stickers, colored pencils, hair barrettes (Dollar Store)

N to Z

Pencils, fancy rulers, pencil sharpeners, folders (Disney TV shows, Super Heroes), coloring books, bangle bracelets (Dollar Store)



UPCOMING PROJECTS
Done In a Day Project
October General Meeting
Youngstown Peace Race—October 4

DATE OF PROJECT	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	NAME OF CONTACT PERSON	PARTICIPATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING	Harding Elementary Youngstown City Schools	Nancy Williamson	Collect school supplies for grade school students	Nancy Williamson: 330-758-3006
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2009 7AM-11PM	Youngstown Peace Race <i>JLY Project</i>	Steve Hixson or Jennifer Wohlgamuth	Help with runner registration, organizing runners & water distribution. Downtown Youngstown starting @ YMCA	Second Sol Steve Hixson or Jennifer Wohlgamuth 330-758-8708
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2009 10AM-4PM 139 E. Boardman Street Youngstown, OH	The Children's Museum of the Valley "Spooktacular" event <i>JLY Project</i>	Events Coordinator	Help with activities for event & man a JLY table with info about the league & provide candy at the JLY table	Events Coordinator: 330-744-5914
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009 6PM-8PM Earle Ave	Hope House Visitation Center <i>JLY Project</i>	Carole Bopp	Decorate house for Christmas- Hope House has decorations, but may need updated	Carole Bopp: 330-788-8882
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2010 11:15-1:30 PM	Rescue Mission	Raelyn Kish	Collect items & work the soup kitchen serving lunch	Raelyn Kish 330-744-5485
SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2010 9AM-12PM 2805 Salt Springs Rd. Youngstown, OH 44509	Second Harvest Food Bank	Rita Brady, Volunteer Coordinator	Collect items & help sort, re-box donated items	Rita Brady: 330-792-5522 X11
SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2010	Fellows Riverside Gardens, Millcreek Park	Keith Kaiser	Help plant & clean up the Riverside Gardens	Keith Kaiser 330-740-7116

The Junior League of Youngstown 2009-2010 Calendar

August 25	Executive Committee Meeting
September 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: October Issue
September 1	Board of Director's Meeting
September 8	General Membership Meeting: The Youngstown Club
September 15	Provisional Training: Developing the Potential of Women
September 29	Executive Committee Meeting
October 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: November Issue
October 4	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: Youngstown Peace Race
October 5	JLY Event: The Pink Ribbon Tea
October 6	Board of Director's Meeting
October 13	General Membership Meeting: Harding Elementary School
October 13	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: Harding Elementary School
October 24	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: "Spooktacular" at Children's Center for Science and Technology
October 20	Provisional Training: Promoting Volunteerism
October 27	Executive Committee Meeting
November 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: December Issue
November 3	Board of Director's Meeting
November 10	General Membership Meeting: Sojourner House/Northside Community Center
November 17	Provisional Training: Improving Our Communities
November 19	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: Hope House
November 24	Executive Committee Meeting
November 28	Mother/Daughter Brunch
December 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: January Issue
December 1	Board of Directors Meeting and Holiday Dinner
December	No General Membership Meeting
December 26	JLY Event: Angel Ball
December 29	Executive Committee Meeting

January 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: February issue
January 5	Board of Director's Meeting
January 12	Annual Neighborhood Meetings
January 19	Provisional Project Planning
January 25	Executive Committee Meeting
February 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: March issue
February 2	Board of Director's Meeting
February 9	General Membership Meeting: Fit Woman Gym (Women's Health Month)
February 13	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: The Rescue Mission
February 16	Provisional Project Planning
February 23	Executive Committee Meeting
March 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: April issue
March 2	Board of Director's Meeting
March 6	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: Second Harvest Food Bank
March 9	General Membership Meeting: McDonough Museum (Youngstown State University)
March 16	Provisional Project Planning
March 30	Executive Committee Meeting
April 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: May issue
April 6	Board of Director's Meeting
April 13	General Membership Meeting: Children's Center for Science and Technology (former JLY Project: The Children's Museum of the Valley)
April 20	Provisional Training: Placement Review
April 24	Done-in-a-Day Volunteer Opportunity: Fellows Riverside Gardens, Millcreek Park
April 27	Executive Committee Meeting
May 1	Briefly Speaking Deadline: June issue
May 4	Joint Board Meeting
May 11	Annual Dinner (TBA)



One-on-Ones

The members' advisor list is printed in this month's Briefly. Please note who your advisor is for this League year.

The annual One-on-One's will be held during the month of October. These meetings give JLY membership an opportunity to talk with their advisors and plan their career path in the League. Please note that these meetings **will not** take place during the October General Membership meeting, as in the past.

Tuesday, October 20, 2009,

Sustainer hostess: Marilyn Wagmiller
Location: home of Marilyn Wagmiller
RSVP & Directions: Please contact Advisor or Anna Aey

If your Advisor is: Joan Gallitto
If your Advisor is: Deb Hartig

Monday, October 26, 2009

Sustainer hostess: Sustainer Leslie Kiske
Location: home of Leslie Kiske
RSVP and Directions: Please contact Anna Aey
If your Advisor is: Anna Aey

Both meetings will start at 6:30 pm with light refreshments. All Active members will have the opportunity to talk one-on-one with their advisor and also talk with Sustainers about their years in the League.

We are very grateful to Marilyn and Leslie for opening up their homes and sharing their knowledge of the League with us. All members are encouraged to attend and are asked to RSVP to their advisor by **October 13, 2009** (the October General membership meeting date).

Attendance Requirements

Active and Provisional members are required to attend a minimum of 5 General Membership meetings during the League year.



2009-2010 Advisor List

ANNA AEY

Michele Grant	Joanne Wagner
Joan Gallitto	Leilani Drake
Tara Mady	Liz Skeels
Shanna Glenellen	Kristen Fawcett
Judy Robinson	Tee Berlin
Dorothy Kijowski	Stephanie Blaski
Stephanie Montalto	

JOAN GALLITTO

Deb Hartig	Amy Banks
Barbara Banks	Melanie Angiuli
Paula Jakubek	Cathy Campana
Sharon Shroeder	Kera Thompson
Danielle Battafarano	Anissa Modarelli
Shellie Sabel	

DEB HARTIG

Anna Aey	Michele Merkel
Robyn Gallitto	Fran Curd
Marion Dunham	Kelly Kiraly
Keisha Robinson	Lynee Aiad-Toss
Helene Sinnreich	Susan Stewart
Melissa D'Apolito	

AJLI Meetings and Conferences Calendar

2009 President/President Elect Fall Leadership Conference October 22-24, 2009, Denver, CO

Organizational Development Institute
November 6-9, 2009, Las Vegas, NV

Organizational Development Institute November 13-15, 2009, Brooklyn, NY

Winter Leadership Conference
January 29-30, 2010, Savannah, GA

Organizational Development Institute February 12-14, 2009, Little Rock, AR

Organizational Development Institute
March 12-14, 2009, Charlotte, NC

2010 AJLI Annual Conference April 15-17, 2009, Orlando FL



Passport to Prizes

PASSPORT TO PRIZES



The Junior League
Of Youngstown

Do you have your Passport to \$1,500 Cash!?!

Be sure to support the JLY and our generous sponsors

Entries/Donations to the Passport to Prizes fundraiser are coming in everyday to the JL office. Thanks to all of you that have sent in entries for our community wide

raffle. Keep them coming!!!! Remember you only have until October 6 to provide this opportunity to the people you know.

Once again, without the generous prizes that so many of you donated we would not have sold half as many so far. So thank you, thank you ,thank you!

Did you know?

Did you know that pictures of some of the prizes are available to view on our website? Now you can have a look at the exquisite Wendell August Forge Tray, the clay Jar by Maryann Limmer, or the signed Kelly Pavlik Affliction Tee shirt, and many more of our awesome prizes. Check back often for new pictures are on the way like the beautiful quilt hand made by Linda Sisek!

You will also find links to many of our sponsors there: www.ymvunitedway.org.



Passport Challenge

To all of you that have been working so hard this summer to make this fun- fundraiser a success, thank you so much! Remember, keep having fun, and know that all your efforts are keeping our Junior League strong!

Want to be there when we announce the winning team? Then come to...



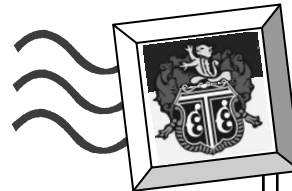
Jillian's

October 10, 2009

Noon – 4:00 p.m.

Bring your kids, your friends and family to Jillian's at Southern Park Mall for a celebration! We will pull the winning Passport to Prizes entries, raffle off a few more prizes, (maybe even a brand new Wii) and have tons of fun! It will only cost \$10 per person and will include a light lunch, free bowling & shoes, free unlimited game cards (which normally cost \$10) to use during our event, and free soda. We will have private access to the Mayor's Room in the back of the restaurant.

Get your advance tickets at the September general membership meeting!



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**The Junior League of Youngstown
Annual Dinner Minutes
May 12, 2009
Youngstown Country Club**

Call to Order: 8:25

Opening remarks and Welcome: Michele Grant

61 Sustainers, Actives and new Actives present

Pink Ribbon Tea: Annette Camacci
15th annual event on October 5 @ The Georgetown. Speaker will be GERALYN LUCAS. Sponsor a survivor forms available and Chinese Auction donations accepted.

Angel Ball: Ingrid Lundquist
Saturday December 26 @ Lake Club. Looking for sons, daughters, grandchildren to be Angels and Honorees. Must be a junior or a senior in High School or a College freshman in the 2009-10 school year. They will be volunteering at the Daybreak golf outing in August. Seeking committee members, especially people who do not have an angel or honoree to assist the night of the event. Any questions, contact Ingrid or Annette.

Passport to Prizes: Liz Skeels
Thanks for all of the help so far! Passport Challenge will consist of two teams headed up by Amy Banks and Melissa D'Apolito & Danielle Battafarano and Marion Dunham. So far, we'll be selling at Celebrate Poland event and the 4th of July celebration in Canfield. In August, will do an e-pass & forward information by email to potential buyers.

New AJLI Vision Statement: Joanne Wagner
"The Junior League: Women around the world as catalysts for lasting change"

Presidents address: Michele Grant
AJLI conference "What a ride". Thank you to Suzanne Fleming for procuring a \$1000 grant from the Wean Foundation for training purposes. Thank you to everyone for a successful year!!!

Presentation: Phyllis Ricchiuti
Thank you Michele for a job well done!

Quorum: Joanne Wagner
Quorum is present

Voting:
Approval of April minutes by Lani Drake, 2nd by Robyn Gallitto. Passed
Approval of March financials by Anissa Modarelli, 2nd by Shellie Sabel. Passed
Approval of 2009-10 budget by Judy Robinson, 2nd by Joan Gallitto. Passed



Paper ballot votes:
2009-10 Done in a Day projects submitted by Danielle Battafarano. Passed unanimously
2009-10 Leadership slate submitted by Lynee Aiad-Toss:
Michele Grant – President
Joanne Nohra – President Elect
Amy Banks - Secretary
Michele Merkel – Treasurer (fulfilling unexpired term)
Lynee Aiad-Toss – Nominating Chair
Anna Aey – Placement Chair
Passed unanimously

80th Anniversary: Barbara Banks
Local artist Marcie Applegate designed a pure silver pendant to commemorate the anniversary. The cost is \$60, \$10 will go to the League.

Placement: Anna Aey
Recognition of perfect attendance.
Congratulations to Raquel Pacheco, Paula Grenga, and Michelle Parella for reaching sustainer status. To commemorate this they received JLY key chains.

Provisional: Anissa Modarelli and Shellie Sabel
Thank you to Suzanne Fleming for all of her assistance!
Congratulations to the new members: Marion Dunham, Shanna Glenellen, Elizabeth Garano-Bourne, Kelly Kiraly, Keisha Robinson, Sharon Schroeder, and Kera Thompson.

Board Acknowledgments: Michele D. Grant, President
Thank you to the outgoing Board for all of their hard work

Thank you to the 2009-10 Board for accepting their positions:

President Elect	Joanne Nohra Wagner
Secretary	Amy Banks
Treasurer	Michele Merkel
Marketing and Recruitment	Anissa Modarelli & Helene Sinnreich
Provisional	Fran Curd
Research & Development	Shellie Sabel & Melissa D'Apolito
Training & Education	Tee Berlin
In-League Communications	Tara Mady
Fund Development	Susan Stewart
Nominating	Lynee Aiad-Toss
Placement	Anna Aey
Yearbook	Amy Banks
Mother/Daughter Brunch	Barbara Banks
Passport to Prizes	Liz Skeels
Done in a Day Projects	Deb Hartig
Pink Ribbon Tea	Annette Camacci & Sue Berny
Liaison	Leilani Drake
Angel Ball	Ingrid Lundquist
Liaison	Melanie Angiuli

Fund Development raffle:
Carolyn Stoneburner was the winner of the Marion's Pretzels chocolate basket.

Closing remarks: Joanne Wagner
Thanks to Michele Merkel and Melissa D'Apolito for a great job with the annual dinner.

Adjourn 9:30





THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF YOUNGSTOWN

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Youngstown, OH 44503

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“Passport America”

The JLY “Passport America” team presents:

***Ladies Night at
Possessions Boutique***

*945 Boardman-Canfield Road
Boardman, Ohio 44512*

*Located in Parkside Place
330-726-2267*

***Thursday, September 10, 2009
from 4-7pm***

Bring your friends & family to enjoy an evening of shopping while enjoying appetizers & beverages!

*Featuring: “Not Your Daughter’s Jeans”
Tummy Tuck Jeans as seen on Oprah including other fashions, accessories and sale items.*

10% of TOTAL SALES will benefit the JLY Passport America team and support the Junior League of Youngstown projects in the Mahoning Valley!

ALSO:

*“Passport to Prizes” raffle entries will be available for a \$10 purchase with a grand prize of:
\$1,500 CASH!*

*For more information contact:
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or Danielle Battafarano: 330-717-5548*

View media coverage for Team Passport America:
<http://www.thereviewnewspapers.com/4080609/>

