JLD welcomes a record-breaking Provisional class!

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The Junior League welcomes 227 Provisional members!

By: Alicia Gartrell, Membership Liaison

For many of us, August marks the beginning of a new year in Junior League, filled with possibilities fueled by changes in membership status and new positions within the League. However, for the Membership Council, the end of summer brings the rewards of long months of planning, preparing, and executing a flawless Provisional recruitment, retreat, and placement of Active members.

This year the League welcomed it’s largest Provisional class, at 227 women—that’s over 50% more than anticipated! This is truly a testament to the wonderful efforts put forth by Jamie Parker and Hillary Lynn (Co-Chairs) and their Provisional Recruitment Committee. Through multiple successful happy hours, information sessions, and activities, the Committee was able to reach out to the community and engage some of Denver’s brightest and most passionate future leaders and volunteers.

This year’s Provisional members began their JLD journey at the Glenmoor Country Club during their Provisional Retreat. The Provisional Committee’s Jenn Hier (Chair) and Chesney Randolph (Step-Up Chair) secured the space and resources to make the retreat a fabulous event for everyone in attendance. During the retreat Provisional members were given the opportunity to learn about the mission of the JLD, the many councils and committees that put that mission into practice every day, and participate in a literacy focused service project. The afternoon concluded by mingling with new friends over happy hour.

While the Provisional members certainly are off to a fabulous start thanks to a number of committees’ efforts, it is just as important to recognize our Membership Services Committee, who ensures that Active members are also positioned for success. Often times this committee appears to be behind the scenes, but Rebecca Perrin and Anne Nolte (Co-Chairs) work tirelessly to address all member issues. By ensuring that yearly requirements are fulfilled by all members, dues are paid, membership questions answered, members assigned their new placements, and everything properly recorded in the JLD systems, this committee guarantees that members will experience smooth sailing for the year ahead.

Please join us in congratulating our new members, and extending our gratitude to the committees that work so hard to ensure the League’s growth.

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Membership Council, the end of summer brings the rewards of long months of planning, preparing, and participation. Throughout the year, our new members benefit from the knowledge and experience of our Active Members, new members are mentored, and everything is properly set for the coming year. This year the work so hard to ensure the League’s growth.

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This year, the Holiday Mart will feature a New Look, New Location, Same Classic Event! This year the Holiday Mart has a new location and look, but it’s the same fun event you know and love. There’s no better way to get a head start on your holiday shopping list. With a large selection of fantastic artisans and retailers, the Holiday Mart brings you the joy of the season without the stress of the mall.

Be sure to give out all your tickets and help us promote the event on social networking! Your help makes this event a reality. We strongly encourage RTD light rail for event transportation. Parking is available for $7 in Lot 108 and Lot L. Payment by CASH only. Visit jld.org for more info!

Questions? Email holidaymart@jld.org

THANK YOU TO OUR PRESENTING PARTNER!

Saint Joseph Hospital | SCL Health
Barbara Miller, 2006-2007 President, passed away in December 2014 after a sudden illness. Barb was extremely passionate about the JLD, believing in the collective power of women volunteers and their impact on the Denver metro community. In addition to the JLD, Barb was a strong supporter of nonprofits focused on children’s issues including Warren Village and Kempe. Many of her dearest friends were League members, and Barb was well known for her sense of humor and positive nature. Teaching was Barb’s life passion. She taught Elementary Special Education in the Jefferson County school district from 1978-2009, and is fondly remembered by students and fellow teachers.

Additionally, Barb was a member of the Helen Daly Peale Society, named for the first JLD President. Members of the Helen Daly Peale Society perpetuate her legacy by remembering the JLD Foundation in their estate plans. To date, the JLD has received more than $54,000 from Barb’s estate. The JLD is proud and honored to receive such a substantial gift from a longtime member and supporter. If you’re interested in learning more about the Helen Daly Peale Society, please visit jld.org and click on Foundation to learn more.

Barb’s wish was for each of us to take a friend to lunch and let them know how much you care about them. Be sure to note the date! There is a calendar at HQ where you can write it down the next time you stop by.

Barb, we will miss your smile, gentle nature, quick wit and sense of humor! Thank you for making your mark on the JLD legacy, and helping ensure future generations of women can share the same experiences.
OH, THE THINKS YOU CAN THINK!

**JLD Distributes 2,000 Books at RMPBS Event**

The JLD proudly participated in the Rocky Mountain PBS Kids Fun Fest on Saturday, September 12 in downtown Denver. For the second year, Done in a Day volunteers distributed about 2,000 books and healthy snacks to children and their parents. The JLD booth was very popular, boasting a line for most of the event. More than 9,000 attendees came out to the kid-centric event to see Curious George, Clifford and of course, receive a FREE age appropriate book and snack from the Junior League of Denver.

Thank you to all members that participated in this wonderful and inspiring day! Learn more at rmpbs.org/funfest.

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**2015-2016 JLD Community Programs**

**Done in a Day:** Providing volunteers to nonprofits for short-term projects throughout the Denver metro area.

**Little Free Libraries:** In 2014-2015, the League created nine Little Free Libraries for placement at community centers throughout the Denver metro area.

**The Gathering Place:** Approximately 5,000 meals and women were served between September 2014 and May 2015 at Denver’s only daytime drop-in shelter for women, their children, and transgender individuals experiencing poverty or homelessness.

**Kids Connect:** Bimonthly family literacy-based program centered on early childhood brain development designed and implemented by the JLD. Kids Connect will be serving a new location in 2015-2016, Sewall Child Development Center.

**Tutoring with Kids:** One-on-one tutoring for Reading Partners Colorado. JLD members will provide tutoring through a new partnership with online program TutorMate in 2015-2016.

**Read2Kids:** An event-based program promoting literacy through access to books and parental/caregiver involvement.

Questions? Email community@jld.org
Get connected:
join together to provide access and exchange.

Tune in with the Training Council

By: Brittany Quinn, ink Editor & Elizabeth Kerr, Training Liaison

The new League year is just starting, but our Training Council is already hard at work. From General Meetings to membership development, the Training Council oversees the programs that promote professional growth and leadership in League members. If you’re interested in broad-based trainings, check the upcoming University League programs. Past topics have included everything from interior design to auto repair, and more fun topics appear each year. Remember, every JLD member needs a Training credit to fulfill their obligations, so keep an eye out for a class before the spring rush!

Our Talent Management Committee is a new addition to the Training Council, and is hard at work finding ways to use and enhance the skills of JLD members so they can succeed in their placements. Say hello to your council liaison; they’ll come by to see what training your council needs, and will help engineer opportunities to help you grow in your roles.

For a leadership-focused experience, Leaders in Action will continue to host trainings throughout the year. Check Digital Cheetah for specific dates and to sign up based on your experience level, and learn about problem solving, collaboration, and much more with your fellow JLD leaders.

Questions? Email training@jld.org

Meet a Member!
Stephanie Sterling | Leaders in Action Chair

How long have you been a member?
Since 2010.

Describe yourself in three words.
Cool-headed, light-hearted, sweet-toothed.

What is your profession?
I manage international employee benefits as part of an HR team.
I went to Australia this year for work!

What do you love about the League?
I love being connected with the talented women who put so much time, energy, and heart into our League. It is rare to find a community full of so many inspiring role models who are also really fun people to hang out with!

You may contact Stephanie at leadershiptraining@jld.org.
5 Tips to Reduce Holiday Stress

Juggling everything can be stressful during the holidays. Below are a few tips to ensure you stay calm and collect during the most wonderful time of the year!

1. Set aside time each week to be alone and relax. It can be as long as a day or as short as one hour!
2. Sit down before the holiday rush and plan out your shopping lists for each week.
3. Use a crock pot to get part of your holiday cooking done while you’re out of the kitchen.
4. Take your holiday guests to a local yoga class to find some inner peace.
5. Turn off the electronics and unplug to reduce mental noise, and make your dinner conversations more engaging!

SAVE THE DATES!

Join the JLD for a day of giving back!

Colorado Gives Day is Tuesday, December 8, 2015! Please remember the JLD on this very special day. Give where you live!

THE JOURNEY

Mark your calendars for a night with Jenna Bush Hager!

Friday, March 4, 2016

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