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*JLD Collaborates with Anchor Center for Blind Children
to Create a Very Special Braille Little Free Library!*

Grow:

to increase in size, number, or degree.

2015-2016 JLD COMMUNITY STATISTICS

number of
member shifts
and events
worked

1177

160 
community
events

- Done in a Days
- Read2Kids/ Kids Connect
- The Gathering Place

**1155 children
served**

**4,000
volunteer
hours**

**1885 adults
served**



4,031

books distributed



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3,769

meals served

www.jld.org

community@jld.org

Our JLD Leaders: Thanks, Thanks and Ever Thanks



2015–2016 Board of Directors



President Laura Perry

A very heartfelt thank you goes out to all members of our 2015–2016 Board of Directors, led by **Becky Theis**, for their tireless dedication during a year of monumental changes! Ladies, you truly embody what it means to be JLD leaders, motivators and agents of change. A plaque has been placed at HQ in your honor so future leaders know and understand your lasting impact.

On June 1, our 2016–2017 Board of Directors, led by President **Laura Perry**, took the reigns. We are excited for another highly successful JLD year! Feel free to reach out to them at any time. Contact information is located at www.jld.org under About/Board of Directors. You may reach **Laura Perry** at president@jld.org.

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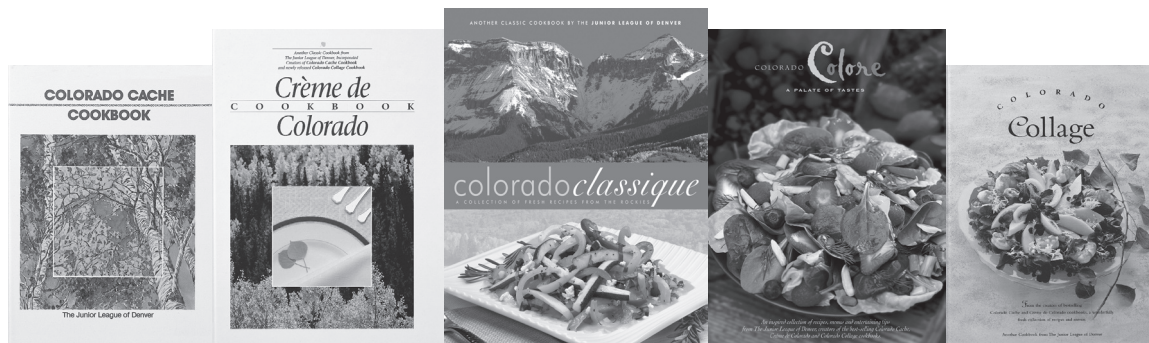
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Past President

Give:

*to present voluntarily and
without expecting compensation.*

JLD COOKBOOKS: The Perfect Gift for All Occasions!



Our JLD cookbooks are a viable source of fundraising income that support our mission of developing the potential of women, and our community focus of improving literacy rates for children birth through third grade in the Denver metro area. To date, our cookbooks have raised an estimated \$7 million!

As a JLD member, you're entitled to a 35–40% discount on all books year round! Our award-winning and popular cookbooks are the perfect gifts for weddings, graduation, housewarming, holidays, and much more. We are in the process of ordering more copies of both *Colorado Colore* and *Colorado Classique*. We anticipate the orders will arrive in the fall.

Members may pick up copies at our HQ, located at 1140 Delaware Street during business hours, Monday–Friday, 9 am–4 pm. Need to make special arrangements? Contact **Angela Andrews**, JLD Publications Chair, at cookbooks@jld.org.

Member Prices (include tax)

Colorado Cache: \$14
Crème de Colorado: \$16
Colorado Collage: \$18
Colorado Colore: \$19 (OUT OF STOCK)
Colorado Classique: \$19

Love to grill in the summer time?
Try out the *Colorado Classique* recipe below!

Huli Huli Chicken

Serves: 4–6 (can easily be doubled)
Prep: less than 30 minutes | Grill: 20 minutes
4–6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
½ teaspoon garlic salt
½ teaspoon kosher salt
¼ cup low-sodium soy sauce
2 tablespoons sesame oil (flavored, not refined)
1 tablespoon sugar
6 cloves garlic, minced
1 teaspoon paprika

Combine all ingredients in a zip-top bag. Marinate at least 1 to 2 hours or overnight.

When ready to cook, preheat grill. Remove chicken from marinade and discard liquid. Grill chicken until cooked through.

This marinade can also be used for fish and meats. It goes well with salmon, as well as pork and beef.

Nutrition Information: 135 calories, 1 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 68 mg cholesterol, 452 sodium, 1 g carbohydrate, 0 g sugars, 0 g fiber, 28 g protein.

Braille Little Free Library, a Collaboration with Anchor Center for Blind Children



JLD and Anchor Center leadership at dedication



Braille Little Free Library

A JLD member and our Community Council recently created, stocked and donated a Little Free Library to the Anchor Center for Blind Children. The grand opening and dedication of this very special braille library to benefit visually impaired children birth to five years took place on Thursday, May 19.

The collaboration between the two nonprofits occurred when a JLD member and mother of two visually impaired children, **Shannon Batal**, asked the Anchor Center if they would like a Little Free Library stocked with braille books. Installing and stocking Little Free Libraries, “take a book, return a book” gathering places with people can share literature and stories, is currently a JLD community program.

“We were thrilled when the Junior League of Denver approached us about installing a Little Free Library for the visually impaired kids that frequent our center,” said Heather Cameron, Anchor Center Executive Director. “We are continually looking for opportunities to enrich the lives of the children participating in our programs.”

“The collaboration with our friends at the Anchor Center is a true testament to just how many lives our members touch in our community,” said **Becky Theis**, 2015–2016 JLD President.

“We are ecstatic that Shannon recognized a need and addressed it, helping us fulfill our current community focus.”

Anchor Center for Blind Children is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing early intervention/education to blind and visually impaired children throughout the state of Colorado. The staff of highly trained vision specialists, therapists and teachers strive to foster the full potential of children who are blind by providing exemplary education, therapy and family support services. Learn more at www.anchorcenter.org.

Shannon, thank you for recognizing a need, and for working with both organizations to make the vision of a braille Little Free Library a reality. Your efforts are valued and appreciated! Questions? Email community@jld.org.

Get connected:

join together to provide access and exchange.

Sustainer Summer Soiree a Success!

Our annual Sustainer Summer Soiree was held on Thursday, June 9 from 5–8 pm at the Colorado Governor's Mansion Carriage House. Everyone had a wonderful time catching up and making new friends at the Downton Abbey themed event.

Suzie Draper was honored with the Outstanding Sustainer Award for always answering the call when asked to help, and for doing it with a smile. Congrats, Suzie!

Pam Weber received the STAR Award for her extensive work both in the community and for her work in the League, including planning our 2016 Sustainer Emeritus Luncheon in May. Congrats, Pam!

There are so many ways Sustainers can stay connected to the JLD and join in the fun! Be sure to join our Sustainer Facebook group, "Sensational Sustainers—Junior League of Denver." You can also log in to our JLD website to see all upcoming activities on both the Sustainer page and the master calendar. If you need your log in info, please email info@jld.org or call 303-692-0270 and press zero to speak with a staff member during business hours, Monday-Friday, 9 am–4 pm. Questions? Email Sustainer Vice President **Molly Ostarch Weiss** at sustainers@jld.org.

Congrats to our 2015–2016 JLD Award Recipients

- President's Cup: **Emily Rissmiller**
- Outstanding Volunteer: **Brittany Sever**
- Spirit of Service Award: **Abby Gilbertson**
- Provisionals of the Year: **Jaclyn Caschetta & Liz Johnson**
- Committees of the Year: **Second Time Shop & Second Time Shop Special Committee**
- Outstanding Sustainer Award: **Suzie Draper**
- Sustainer STAR Award: **Pam Weber**

2015–2016 Shining Star Winners

- September: **Stephanie Ricker**
- December: **Elizabeth Chandler-Vos**
- January: **Jodi Padilla**
- February: **Nicole Sullivan**
- March: **Bonnie Hill**
- April: **Genevieve Bolano**
- May: **Mamie Ling**



Left to right: Lynne Valentine, Pam Weber, Suzie Draper



Left to right: Stephanie Jackson, Linda Osborn, Sue Evanoff, Molly Ostarch Weiss, Karen Kosten, Dana Rinderknecht

Legislators Spotlight: Reps. Brittany Pettersen and Faith Winter

By: Michelle Yi Alexander, ink Editor 2016–2017

The Junior League of Denver is pleased to announce that Representatives **Brittany Pettersen** (HD 28—Jefferson County) and **Faith Winter** (HD 35—Adams County) are our 2015–2016 Legislators of the Year!

Both representatives have a strong commitment to improving the lives of women and children in Colorado. Both were strong advocates for the pay equity bills and care deeply about bettering the lives of all Coloradans.

Jenn Stickel, Public Policy Council Vice President, stated, “We are honored to award Rep. Winters and Rep. Pettersen the JLD ‘Legislators of the Year’ award. These women have supported the Junior League of Denver’s mission and focus in an exceptional way. They are also amazing leaders in our community and we are honored to call them partners.”

Rep. Pettersen works on the Early Childhood Readiness Commission, which aligns greatly with our literacy focus. She is currently in her second term representing House District 28, which includes most of Lakewood. She is chairwoman of the Education Committee and a member of the Public Health & Human Services and Appropriations Committees. Rep. Pettersen also is the deputy whip of the House Democratic caucus.

Rep. Pettersen’s legislative record shows a focus on helping Colorado’s students and working families. In 2015, she sponsored two measures to boost early childhood education: One bill to increase the number of preschool slots available, and the other to provide incentives for aspiring preschool teachers.

Rep. Winter represents House District 35, which includes the Adams County portion of Westminster and areas of unincorporated Adams County. She serves on the Business Affairs & Labor, Transportation & Energy and Appropriations Committees. In the past, she has also championed services for survivors of domestic violence.

Rep. Winter is executive director of Emerge Colorado, which is dedicated to identifying, training and encouraging women to run for office, and was a national field director for the White House Project, which also worked to engage women in the political process.

The Junior League of Denver is thankful for both Representatives Pettersen and Winter’s service. Questions? Email Public Policy Vice President **Jenn Stickel** at publicpolicy@jld.org.



*Public Policy Council
and Legislators
of the Year*



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Mission

The Junior League of Denver, Incorporated (founded in 1918), is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.



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