



BRIEFLY SPEAKING

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February General Membership Meetings

Tuesday, February 11, 2014
6:00 p.m. Social 6:15 p.m. Meeting

Mahoning Valley Historical Society - Tyler Building
325 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503
(Across the street from the RTA Bus Station)

Please park on the Right/West side of the building
Speaker: Penny Senyak Topic: Diversity Training

Bring a Friend

RSVP to Laura Rumble at larrumble@aol.com

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 third Tuesday of the month.

Information should be submitted via email, as a Microsoft Word document, to Heather Elder at hpelder1973@yahoo.com

Questions, please call Heather at 330-261-5616.

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National Food Day
Lois Koval

President's Message



Dear Members,

Greetings! I hope you are looking forward to our General Membership Meeting this month where we will have the opportunity to learn about diversity, take a closer look at proposed NEW Membership Requirements and consider something new: To announce, or not to announce?

You may be hearing the whisper of how the JLY will be introducing the Renewal of Our Project with the Youngstown Children's Museum (Oh WOW!) and sharing these new developments in the community. The Board of Directors met Tuesday night and decided we need guidance and direction! We are being asked to participate in activities outside of our membership. How do we and when do we?

I have every confidence in the JLY Board of Directors that they will be finding some great training opportunities in discovering how to launch our league's partnership with Oh Wow! Our board members have elevated our level of commitment in the community, have held fast to our Community Impact Focus Area of combatting childhood obesity and have accelerated what will be shared soon in this community. How do we help reduce the growing number of children who are suffering from obesity?

We are on the verge of providing a service to families in the Mahoning Valley with an impact that will reach into brown bag lunches, cafeterias, doctor's offices and schools one day.

Our intentions are charitable and educational. Our mission is to improve the community. We are developing our potential. But when we put this action into "effect" -- how do we chart our course and share the plans with the community at large?

That, dear members....is the question! We hope to hear your questions on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 and find the methods you need for working to instill your continued volunteer commitment in your life.

Sincerely,
Leah M. Wilson
The Junior League of Youngstown
President, 2013-2014



Winter Leadership

293 Leagues, across 4 countries (USA, Canada, Mexico, & United Kingdom): The Junior League of Youngstown is fortunate to be a part of something much larger- the Association of Junior Leagues International.

As President- Elect, I have already been fortunate enough to represent JLY at three of our international conferences. They are awe-inspiring and an experience that I wish for every member. The women you meet and the ideas you share make you want to rush home to your League and get to work.

Winter Leadership was held January 23-25 in sunny Scottsdale, Arizona. The focus of this conference was to prepare President-Elects and President-Elect-Elects for their upcoming responsibilities. We discussed best practices for board meetings and trainings, while at the same time paying close attention to how different personalities hear and see things differently.

The ingenuity of other Leagues is always my most valuable take-away. It doesn't matter whether a League has 45 members or 245, we are all looking for the best way to carry out our strategic plan, communicate our IBCI, educate members, recruit new ones and be mindful of diversity and inclusion.

Please consider leadership positions in the League so that you too can gain this invaluable experience. AJLI holds Seasonal Leadership Conferences and Organizational Development Institutes. We are also looking forward to this fall when Youngstown will host Code Day for all the Ohio Leagues. These meetings are just another way of developing the potential of our women and improving our community through the effective action and leadership of TRAINED volunteers.

Kelly Kiraly
President -elect 2013-2014



Done In A Day Opportunities

February DIAD opportunity:

OH WOW!
 11 W. Federal St.
 Youngstown, OH 44503
 Saturday Feb 15 - two sessions to choose from: 10-noon or noon-2pm



We are also collecting formal dresses and accessories for DIVA Donations at the February GMM. This is a great collection opportunity!

Save the date...for our March DIAD

YWCA of Youngstown
 We are going to helping with Clean up day.
 Saturday March 22
 Two times to choose from: 10 - noon or noon - 2

March GMM collection: non-perishable food items for YWCA

Save the date...for our April DIAD

300 Sisters in Red - Saturday April 12 from 8am - 1pm (choose either 8:00- 10:30 or 10:30-1:00)
 We will be working the information table.
 YSU Kilcawley Center

2013-2014 General Membership Meetings

DATE	LOCATION	TOPIC
Tuesday, February 11	Mahoning Valley Historical Society **Bring a Friend** Tyler Building, Federal Street, Youngstown, 44502	Penny Senyak Topic: Diversity Training
Tuesday, March 11	Public Library of Youngstown 305 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, 44053	Lisa Long Rich Center Topic: Enhancing your Volunteer Training
Tuesday, April 8	Stambaugh Auditorium 1000 5th Avenue, Youngstown, 44504	Food Summit, Research & Development, Training & Education, Provisionals, Marketing
Tuesday, May 20	Annual Dinner Location: TBA	TBA



January Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

The Junior League of Youngstown
 General Membership- Boardman Neighborhood
 Meeting Minutes 01/14/2014
 Sustainer Marcelle Svenson's Home

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Follow-Up
Welcome	Kelly Kiraly called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Heather Elder, Lisa Metzinger, Kimorine Campbell, Marcelle Svenson, Lois Koval, Susan Stewart, Kristina Ross, and Kelly Kiraly were in attendance	
Done in a Day	January Done in a Day Opportunity at Bella Women's Center was announced for Jan. 25th. Attendees were also asked to sign if they brought a donation.	
Sustainer Spotlight	Marcy Svenson shared some of her memories as an Active. She was thanked and presented with a token of appreciation for hosting.	
BUSINESS MEETING		
Approval of the November General Membership Meeting Minutes	The business meeting resumed at 6:40p.m. The minutes of the November General Membership meeting were reviewed.	Kelly Kiraly moved that the minutes be approved. Heather Elder 2 nd the motion and the motion passed.
Oh WOW! Update	Kelly Kiraly presented the summary of the Renewal of a Project. Suggestion was made that we might want to introduce something similar to what they have in Columbus- Shoebox Experiments and Shoebox Recipes. One container would hold all of the items that a child would need to conduct the experiment or make the recipe. Marcy Svenson mentioned that she held a fundraiser one time to implement this idea at OhWow! However the funds did not end up being allocated to that project.	
Introduction of Kit Concept	Lois Koval presented the kit from National Food Day. Kelly Kiraly stressed that the main idea behind this is that the template should be used as an example for any future projects/fundraisers.	
Eat, Play, Grow Initiative	Kelly Kiraly presented the summary of Eat, Play, Grow to the members. Urged them to go to the National Head Start Association Website to take a look. Marcy mentioned how the JLY used to hold a summer tutoring program where our members went to the school and helped out in all the different grade levels. The League facilitated that for a number of years. Members requested clarification of who we would be working with for this project. Kelly explained that we are seeking funding through the Healthy Kids Collaborative led by Akron Children's Hospital. This would not be with OhWow!	
Feedback on National Food Day	Members recommended holding it at a different location next year. Marcy Svenson provided us with the name of Alex Lapinski. He is a Boardman HS graduate who started a food co-op towards North Lima- Rts 7 & 14. Lisa Metzinger also suggested the Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corp Kitchen that was just opened in the Fall. Pumpkin decorating is not necessary but other healthy recipes are and possibly the opportunity to decorate "Scary Cupcakes" (find a way to make them healthy!)	
Additional Comments	Members were concerned with the new Membership Requirements language that was published in the Briefly. Kelly Kiraly explained that there is a point system chart to go along with it. Members requested that an email be sent out in order to clarify because so many of them had questions.	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be on February 11, Tyler History Center, 325 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503. This meeting will be Bring a Friend.	



Membership: current By Laws

Current Bylaws

Article V. MEETINGS SECTION

4. Attendance

Active members are required to attend 5 regular meetings each year. Active members are required to meet committee attendance requirements as defined by the committee chairman.

Current Policies

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Section 1. Attendance

Active and Provisional members are required to attend a minimum of 5 General Membership meetings each year. Preferred Active members are encouraged to attend 5 of the meetings. Attendance will be taken by sign-in sheets which are kept by the Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary will inform the Placement Committee of member's attendance. Approval for an excused absence may be requested in advance of a meeting. An Active would request an excused absence, in writing, from her Advisor. If approval is given, the Advisor would then report this excused absence to the Placement Committee.

After a member has missed 2 unexcused membership meetings, her Advisor will then send that absentee member a printed postcard reminding her of the attendance requirements. After a member has missed 3 unexcused membership meetings, the Placement Chairman will contact the member by phone. The Placement Chairman may request a written letter explaining the reason for the 3 unexcused absences. The member may be subject to removal from membership if she has missed more than 3 unexcused general membership meetings.

General membership meetings are considered open to the public and members may bring guests. Members are expected to attend their committee meetings. Members shall notify the committee chairman, in advance, if unable to attend a meeting. Committee chairman shall notify the Placement Committee if a committee member has missed two committee meetings. The absent member's Advisor will contact her, and help to deal with any problems regarding meeting attendance. The member may be subject to removal from membership if she has missed more than 2 committee meetings.

Section 2. Financial Obligations

All members must pay dues by June 15. All members are encouraged to support League projects and fundraisers. Any individual member's financial obligation to a League project or fundraiser must be approved at the time the project or fundraiser is initially approved, by the membership.

Section 3. Reimbursement for Services

Recognizing that the primary purpose of the Junior League of Youngstown is voluntarism and that volunteers shall be used to accomplish the goals of our League, members shall not be reimbursed for their services to the League. They may be reimbursed for any product costs incurred which have been approved and are properly documented. Tax slips shall be made available to members who donate products. Firms or organizations with which members are associated may provide services 04/08/2013 updated Page 5-6 for pay as long as the direct service is not provided by the Junior League member.



Membership: Proposed By Laws

Proposed Bylaws

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Membership Requirements Model

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS MODEL 1

Credits required by Actives: 16

Credits required by Provisionals: 12

Credits required for Preferred Actives: 12

(Members may obtain more credits than required)

Credited Activities

Credits Available and Minimum Required

Attend General Membership Meetings: 1 credit

Neighborhood Meeting: 1.5 credits

Annual Dinner: 1.5 credits

• 9 credits available

• Credits required:

Actives: 5.5

Provisionals: 5.5

Preferred Actives: 3.5

Work at or Attend JLY Events: 1 credit

(i.e. Pink Ribbon Tea, Angel Ball, Fall and Spring Community Advisors Meeting, Kids in the Kitchen, Bridges Out of Poverty, etc.)

• Credits available: TBD

• No credits required

Participate in Training Sessions: 1 credit

(i.e. JLY Trainings and AJLI webinars)

• Credits available: TBD

• Credits required:

Actives: 4

Preferred Actives: 2

Volunteer at Done in a Days:

1 hour = 1 credit • Maximum credits available per member: 6

• Maximum credits available per member: 6

• Credits required:

Actives: 3

Provisionals: 3

Preferred Actives: 3

Donate to Done in a Days: 1 credit • Credits required: TBD

• Credits required:

Actives: 1

Provisionals: 1

Preferred Actives: 1

Support JLY fundraisers:

Credited Activities proposed by event committee on event proposal (i.e. purchase tickets, donate items, work at event)

Working at fundraiser: 1 hour = 1 credit

All members are required to have 2 credits for fundraisers

Sponsoring a provisional member: 1 credit

Participating in Bring a Friend Meeting: .5 credit

Participating Candidates Soiree: .5 credit

Sponsored Provisional becomes Active: 1 credit

Participate in Recruitment Socials: .5 credit

• 3.5 credits available

• Credits required:

Actives: .5

Provisionals: .5

Preferred Actives: .5

Double Committee Placement: 1 credit

Chairing a committee: 3 credits

4 credits available

no minimum credits required

Summary

• 16.5 total credits available (predetermined)

• Credits required:

Actives: 16

Preferred Actives: 12

Provisionals: 12



Quarterly Financials

The Junior League of Youngstown

01/23/14 Profit & Loss

Accrual Basis October through December 2013

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income	
4110 · Late Fees	52.50
4111 · PayPal Cash Bank Bonus	2.07
<u>4140 · Sustainer Events</u>	
4175 · Pink Ribbon Survivor's Tea	4,468.00
4270 · Mother/Daughter Brunch Income	1,231.00
Total 4140 · Sustainer Events	5,699.00
4210 · Interest	11.00
<u>4251 · Presidents Funds</u>	
4293 · Leadership Program Income	80.00
4700 · AJLI Conference Training	1,230.00
Total 4251 · Presidents Funds	1,310.00
4292 · Endowment Fund Income	475.00
<u>4294 · Fund Development Income</u>	
4268 · Passport to Prizes Income	4,410.39
4286 · Annual Appeal Operating	1,970.00
Total 4294 · Fund Development Income	6,380.39
<u>4670 · Training and Education</u>	
4673 · General Membership Training	30.00
Total 4670 · Training and Education	30.00
5300 · Research & Development Income	200.00
Total Income	14,159.96
Gross Profit	14,159.96
Expense	
<u>5170 · President's funds</u>	
5240 · AJLI Conferenc Pres/ Pres Elect	425.00
5820 · Community Advisor Meeting	97.65
Total 5170 · President's funds	522.65
6110 · AJLI Dues	258.00
6120 · Endowments	505.00
<u>62100 · Contract Services</u>	
62110 · Accounting Fees	1,100.31
Total 62100 · Contract Services	1,100.31
6220 · Insurance and Bond	733.00
<u>6221 · Office</u>	
5340 · Office Machine Maintence	131.44
5370 · Office Equip Lease	372.00
6230 · Office rent	1,500.00
65020 · Postage, Mailing Service	550.00
65040 · Office Supplies	3.50
65050 · Telephone and Internet	279.11
Total 6221 · Office	2,836.05
6300 · Bank service charges	9.00
<u>65200 · Payroll</u>	
60940 · Taxes - Ohio Treasurer of State	24.84
60950 · Taxes - R.I.T.A.	73.41
60960 · Taxes - Dept of the Treasury	522.97
66000 · Payroll Expenses	2,838.29
Total 65200 · Payroll	3,459.51
<u>6641 · Sustainer Event Expenses</u>	
6420 · Mother/Daughter Brunch	1,123.02
7375 · Pink Ribbon Survivor Tea	5,183.05
Total 6641 · Sustainer Event Expenses	6,306.07
<u>6660 · Fund Development Expenses</u>	
6520 · Passport to Prizes	1,200.00
Total 6660 · Fund Development Expenses	1,200.00
6700 · Research & Development Expenses	88.00
<u>7339 · Membership Expense</u>	
7341 · Membership Packets	8.48
Total 7339 · Membership Expense	8.48
Total Expense	17,026.07
Net Ordinary Income	-2,866.11
Net Income	-2,866.11



Sustainer Corner

To all JLY Sustainers,

This summer we are planning to have a Sustainer Reunion. I am asking for Sustainer Volunteers to serve on the planning committee. If you are interested in serving, please contact me Deb Liptak at 330-740-6086. I would like to get a place and date scheduled as soon as possible, so that we can notify all Sustainers of this special reunion. You can also help us by forwarding contact information for Sustainers we might have lost touch with.

Special thanks goes to Barbara Banks and her committee for the lovely Mother Daughter Brunch in November!

Thank you to all of the Sustainers who opened their homes for the January Meetings, your warm hospitality was much appreciated.

Please remember to invite women you know to join the JLY, you know how much it means to you, let's extend the same opportunity to women in our Valley. Check the calendar of events that you can attend with your potential member recruit.

Thank you Sustainer Representatives on Committees for sharing your guidance and expertise with the Active Members.

Sincerely, Deb Liptak, Sustainer Representative to the Board

With Deepest Sympathy.....

It is with sympathy and support that we share the unfortunate news that Elinor Zedaker has experienced the death of her husband Robert Zedaker Jr on January 6th. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Zedaker family during this difficult time.

The family request that gifts take the form of contributions to the Robert Zedaker Memorial Fund, c/o PNC Bank 3300 Center Road, Poland, OH 44514. Donations may also be made in person at any PNC Bank branch.

Junior League sustainer and friend Charlotte Gelhaar, died peacefully January 14th. A memorial service celebrating Mrs. Gelhaar's life is scheduled for Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 11am at the First Presbyterian church in Youngstown. A luncheon will follow at the Youngstown Country Club. In lieu of flowers, the family wishes that donations be made in Mrs. Gelhaar's honor to the Mahoning Valley Historical Society, Park Vista and the First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown.



JLY News/Save the Dates

February Social

Recruitment social will be Monday,
February 24
at Michael Alberini's in Boardman
5:30 p.m.

If any league member knows of
anyone interested in joining the league,
this will be great informal way to meet
members and
find more about what we do.

Please RSVP to Heather Elder at
hpelder1973@yahoo.com
or to Laura Rumble at
larrumble@aol.com

Yearbooks

The 2014 Yearbooks will be completed soon. If
there is anyone who still needs to update their
information, please email Barb Schuller in the
League office as soon as possible.

Barb's email address is
juniorleagueofyoungstown@gmail.com

Placement reminder

According to our policies, a member must
notify a change of status by March 1st. The
membership committee chair will notify the
Board of Directors of the change. So if you are
considering a change in status for the
2014-2015 league year, please forward your
letter of change to Laura Rumble by March 1st.
larrumble@aol.com or 330-565-0545

New Candidates Soiree

The new Candidates Soiree will be held on April 3 at the Elton Baird
Family Cabin in Boardman Park. The Membership committee is on the
lookout for anyone interested in helping the day of the event or
referrals of anyone interested in becoming a member of our
2014/2015 Provisional class.

For more information, please contact the membership chair, Laura
Rumble at larrumble@aol.com or 330-565-0545.

Kentucky Derby Party

The Annual Kentucky Derby Party will be held on May 3. Time and
venue are still being determined. If anyone is interested in helping
out or donating to this fundraiser, please contact Sable Beshara at
sable.beshara@gmail.com



State Public Affairs Committee

SPAC Nominations Open - Officers & Delegates

Nominating forms for SPAC's next league year are now available. We are currently looking for anyone interested in an officer or delegate position.

A delegate position is a two year commitment (1 yr junior delegate and 1 yr senior delegate). New term begins in June and it is strongly encouraged to attend transition meeting in May. Meeting is held in Columbus.

Individual applicants for both delegate and officer positions may apply to SPAC directly. Delegate applications will be distributed by the SPAC Nominating Coordinator to their individual League leadership to formally appoint their League's delegates.

Informational Webinar/Conference Call: February 12

Interested individuals are encouraged to attend an online informational webinar/ conference call. Participants can learn more about SPAC's daily activities, organizational structure, and current projects, as well as ask questions of current SPAC Officers.

February 12, 2014

7:00-8:00pm

Conferece Call Number: [\(760\) 984-1000](tel:7609841000)

Participant Access Code: 387559#

Presentation: <http://bit.ly/jlohspac>



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March Madness

March is women's history month as well as a month known for great basketball!

We all know The Junior League of Youngstown has a rich history! None of the accomplishments of the League would be possible without its members of the past and present.

In honor of our rich past, we are doing our own "March Madness" Membership Drive. During the month of March, JLY is accepting membership from resigned members regardless of good or bad standing. They may re-join by submitting 2014-15 membership fee and enjoying membership for the remainder of the 2013-14 league year.

If you know of any resigned members who you think we should reach out to, please contact our membership chair, Laura Rumble at larrumble@aol.com or 330-565-0545.

