

HourGlass



February 2003

President's Message

Dear Fellow League Members,

A Heart for Service in the Shoals

As you are all aware, Bag-A-Bargain is just around the corner and the entire Bag-A-Bargain Committee is hard at work. They are planning and anticipating that this year's event will not only be extremely successful, but a real blast as well! We will be going over every aspect of Bag-A-Bargain at the February meeting so come prepared to have all of your questions answered, and feel free to ask if you are not clear about any issue regarding Bag-A-Bargain. The goal of this project is not only to raise much-needed funds for the community but also to establish a sense of accomplishment and camaraderie among the League members. With everyone working together, this event will prove to be nothing short of spectacular!

At the February meeting we will be voting on the disbursement of Apple Annie Funds. We have just over \$98,000 in requests and \$36,000 to give away... Please take the time to read the requests that are published in this month's Hourglass and be thinking about them and how you would like to see the Apple Annie funds distributed. Linda Isbell and the Finance Committee have researched each of these requests and will have recommendations for the League at the meeting. I think it is extremely important that you make yourself familiar with each request. If you feel that an agency is deserving of funds, this is your time to share what you know about that agency and tell why you believe they should be funded. Each and every one of you worked hard for this money and you should feel free to express your opinion with regard to distribution of these funds.

Amy Jon Finch and the Future Policies Committee have prepared a recommendation for a change to the Article VII, Hourglass Committee definition. We will be voting on this proposal at the meeting. The Nominating Committee, having been elected a month late, will not present a slate of officers at the February meeting but will submit the slate to the membership at the March League meeting. The next 3 ½ months will be a flurry of activity, both at the meetings and behind the scenes. I thank each of you in advance for all of the hard work and dedication you bring to the League.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the meeting on February 4th at the Badcock Building in Town Plaza, Sheffield.

Sincerely,

Allison

Provisional News

February Provisional Meeting

When: February 18, 2003

Where: Cerebral Palsy Center
Sheffield, Jackson Hwy.

Time: 6:30 p.m.

This is a very important meeting. Allison Isbell who is a league member is the director of the CP Center and she will be there to explain what a great place the CP Center is. We also will be discussing the Special Olympics Banquet that will be coming in April. Please make every effort to be there. At this meeting you can find out how you can get your final hours in for your Provisional Year!

February Meeting
When: February 4, 2003
Where: Bag-A-Bargain Site, Town Plaza, Sheffield (BAB Sale Site 2001)
Time: 6:00p.m. Board Meeting
7:00pm. General Meeting

MSDSL MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY MEETING JANUARY 7, 2003

The MSDSL held its meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 7, 2003, at the First Presbyterian Church in Florence, AL. Allison Newton, President, called the meeting to order.

- **Roll:** 97 members present and 36 absent; 22 provisionals present and 3 absent.
- **Minutes:** Upon motion by Becky McDaniel and a second by Marianna Jordan, the minutes from the December meeting were approved unanimously.
- **Treasurer:** Penny Westmoreland reported the following balances:

Administrative:	\$ 9,773.31
Community:	38,655.91
Memorial:	215.10
Checking Account Balance:	\$48,644.32

- **Correspondence:** No Report

- **Other Business:** Nominating Committee Elections were explained by Allison Newton. Membership is to vote for three ladies from each county, noting provisionals are not eligible to vote. Votes were cast and tabulated with the following results...

Colbert County Nominating Committee

Mary Marshall VanSant
Dana Lindsey
Allison McWilliams

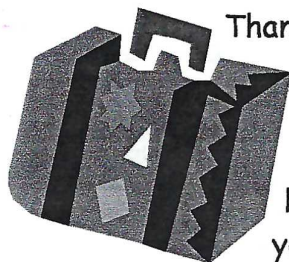
Lauderdale County Nominating Committee

Becky McDaniel
Loee Mirce
Holly Nichols

Mid- year placement forms should be turned in to Susie Ray ASAP. Allison Newton informed the league that the only way the placement committee will know if you are interested in an in-league placement is by these forms. If you requested a placement the previous year and did not receive that particular placement, Allison encouraged the membership to request it again.

- **League Development:** No Report
- **Committee Reports:**
 - **Apple Annie:** Mary Marshall VanSant - No Report
 - **Bag A Bargain:** Michelle Simpson informed the league that the site will be the same as it was in 2001. She also relayed that Shylee Bevis has already received almost \$3000.00 in corporate donations. The preview party will follow the same theme as last BAB with western attire and BBQ dinner. The Quality Control Chairs, Beth Trimble and Leslie Howard, gave a hand out explaining all the guidelines for BAB. \$4.00 supply packets were sold and will be available to help with the pricing. See the January Hourglass for all details regarding BAB. It will include shift assignments, committee members, meeting dates, etc...
 - **Cookbook Chair:** Lori Dolan - No Report
 - **Cookbook Treasurer:** Marianna Jordan – Marianna said thank you to all who purchased cookbooks last month...29 were sold.
 - **Finance:** Linda Isbell - We have \$35, 894.42 to give away and have received request for over \$98,000. Linda stated that although we will not be able to fund all of the requests, we will roll them over to be considered for BAB funds. Linda will be assigning her committee different requests to research before the finance committee meets and emphasized how important it is for them to all make the calls and really research these requests. This will make the difference in whether or not these agencies receive the money.
 - **Future Policies:** No Report
 - **Hospitality:** Amy Jon Finch announced the May dinner will be held at Cypress Lakes Country Club.
 - **Hourglass:** Catherine O'Steen reported that the next deadline is January 17, 2003.
 - **Placement:** Susie Ray informed members to turn in hours to placement advisors, and she announced that Julie Wilson, placement advisor, had resigned. Susie will be taking on Julie's responsibilities until the end of the year. She also noted for members to call her if they were having trouble getting their hours and she would work with them to figure it out.
 - **Public Relations:** No Report
 - **Provisional Directors:** Kristi Sockwell and Ashli Smith.
 - **Rehabilitation:** No Report
 - **Scholarship:** No Report
 - **Yearbook:** Karen Christian - Karen brought the black books and informed the membership they could call her or come by her office at UNA to pick up a copy..
 - **Transportation:** Lucy Cook - No Report
 - **Next Meeting** will be Tuesday, February 4, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. at the BAB site in Sheffield, at the old Badcock building where BAB was held in 2001. With no further business, Allison Newton adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Pride
Recording Secretary 2002-2003

BAG A BARGAIN SCHEDULING IS COMPLETE!!!!

Thank you to everyone who sent in their scheduling cards. You have made my job much easier. Members who did not send in a card and could not be reached by phone were assigned to the shift that most needed volunteers. The master schedule is included in this month's Hourglass. Please take a moment to check both your Work Shift and your Sale Day Shift. If you have a conflict with either of your shifts, please call me at 383-7729(H) or 381-0110(W). Remember that fines will be given to those members who do not show up for their shifts. I know that children get sick and husbands go out of town unexpectedly, so if something comes up at the last minute, call me and we will work it out. **If you have a last minute problem with Stein Mart Work Shifts, please call Michelle Tice at 740-0637(H) or Genna DeGroot at 766-8149(H).**

Shawn Nesbitt

**BAB Master Schedule Work Shifts / Stein Mart**

SHIFT 1
(Stein Mart)
Friday, Feb. 21
10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Connie Mills

Michelle Tice

SHIFT 2
(Stein Mart)
Friday, Feb. 21
1:00-4:00 PM

Holly Nichols

Cindy Ott

SHIFT 3
(Stein Mart)
Friday, Feb. 21
4:00-7:00 PM

Monica Quillen

Jenny Ann Greer

SHIFT 4
(Stein Mart)
Friday, Feb. 21
7:00-10:00 PM

Kristi Sockwell

Leslie Tomlinson

SHIFT 5
(Stein Mart)
Saturday, Feb. 22
10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Joanna Edwards

Loee Miree

SHIFT 6
(Stein Mart)
Saturday, Feb. 22
1:00-4:00 PM

Jennifer Cornelius

Linda Isbell

SHIFT 7
(Stein Mart)
Saturday, Feb. 22
4:00-7:00 PM

Emily Lawler

Allison Weaver

SHIFT 8
(Stein Mart)
Saturday, Feb. 22
7:00-10:00 PM

Jennifer Vandiver

Penny Westmoreland



BAB Master Schedule Work Shifts / Sale Site

SHIFT 9

(Sale Site)

Saturday, Mar. 1

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Julie Cochran	Cindy Humphries
Selena Inman	Tina Jhin
Suzanne Mauldin	Molly McCanless
Andrea Pless	Patty Redd
Pam Skidmore	Cecily Smith
Tonya Southall	Mary Marshall Van Sant
Paula Williams	

SHIFT 10

(Sale Site)

Sunday, Mar. 2

2:00-5:00 PM

Shana Alexander	Melissa Clark
Lori Dolan	Lisa Eckl
Amy Jon Finch	Angelynn Garrett
Melanie Huguley	Amy Johnson
Patty Klos	Amanda Mayfield
Teresa McAnalley	Allison McWilliams
Catherine O'Steen	Rebecca Tedder
Christy Waters	Tammy Wender

SHIFT 11

(Sale Site)

Monday, Mar. 3

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Katie Bendall	Nicole Bowen
Melinda Brasilli	Susan Brocato
Linda Campbell	Lisa Davis
Nan Gardiner	Amy Letson
Dana Lindsey	Becky McDaniel
Lee Pieroni	Missy Ridgeway
Julia Shook	Elizabeth Webb
Susan Webb	

SHIFT 12

(Sale Site)

Monday, Mar. 3

6:00-9:00 PM

Kim Goodwin	Allyson Hamilton
Beth Howard	Kerrie Kirkland
Missy Logan	Tina Mitchell
Heather Nash	Nancy Peck
Susan Riedel	Leigh Ann Rutledge
Emily Taylor	Leigh Ann Wise

SHIFT 13

(Sale Site)

Tuesday, Mar. 4

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

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Robin Coussons

Maria Dobbs

Virginia Koonce

Kim Murphy

Stephanie Saylor

Nikki Whitehead

Goode Dethero

Leah Knight

Karen McCool

Susie Ray

Jackie Stutts

Debbie Williams

SHIFT 14

(Sale Site)

Wednesday, Mar. 5

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Betty Collignon	Allison Isbell
Demet Jerkins	Geri Nell Hamm
Holly Morrison	Allie Strickland
Jennifer Evans	Nicole Peters

SHIFT 15

(Sale Site)

Wednesday, Mar. 5

6:00-9:00 PM

Lucy Cook	Amy Farris
Leigh Ann Franck	Carla Griffin
Suzanne Grissom	Caryn Hairel
Lisa Holley	Ashley Jennings
Marianna Jordan	Jan McCune
Suzanne Smith	Emily Thornton
Claudia Vance	Stephanie Wilson

SHIFT 16

(Sale Site)

Thursday, Mar. 6

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Lisa Blazer	Jill Bobo
Karen Christian	Tamela Traglia
Robin Watson	Genna DeGroot

SHIFT 17

(Sale Site)

Thursday, Mar. 6

6:00-9:00 PM

Stephanie Banks	Claudia Heimmermann
Sandy Holcombe	Shannon Morris
Janice Pride	Juli Richey
Kenda Rusevlyan	Tiffany Smart
Ashli Smith	Melanie Stokes
Nancy Woodis	

SHIFT 18

(Sale Site)

Friday, Mar. 7

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Marsha Black	Rachel Mitchener
Lisa Darnell	Missy Hallmark
Ella James	Tracey Marcu
Didi Vardaman	

BAB Master Schedule Sale Day Shifts



SHIFT 1

Saturday, Mar. 8
5:30-8:30 AM

Katie Bendall	Marsha Black
Jill Bobo	Melinda Brasilli
Julie Cochran	Geena DeGroote
Maria Dobbs	Joanna Edwards
Jennifer Evans	Amy Jon Finch
Jenny Ann Greer	Suzanne Grissom
Caryn Hairrell	Allyson Hamilton
Geri Nell Hamm	Lisa Holley
Beth Howard	Allison Isbell
Linda Isbell	Ashley Jennings
Demet Jerkins	Tina Jhin
Virginia Koonce	Amy Letson
Dana Lindsey	Teresa McAnalley
Becky McDaniel	Connie Mills
Heather Nash	Catherine O'Steen
Lee Pieroni	Monica Quillen
Patty Redd	Juli Richey
Missy Ridgeway	Susan Riedel
Kenda Rusevlyan	Cecily Smith
Michelle Tice	Tamela Traglia
Jennifer Vandiver	Elizabeth Webb
Susan Webb	Debbie Williams
Paula Williams	Stephanie Wilson
Nancy Woodis	

SHIFT 2

Saturday, Mar. 8
8:30-11:30 AM

Shana Alexander	Susan Brocato
Jennifer Cornelius	Robin Coussons
Goode Dethero	Leigh Ann Franck
Nan Gardiner	Angelynn Garrett
Kim Goodwin	Melanie Huguley
Cindy Humphries	Selena Inman
Amy Johnson	Kerrie Kirkland
Patty Klos	Leah Knight
Missy Logan	Suzanne Mauldin
Amanda Mayfield	Molly McCanless
Rachel Mitchener	Holly Morrison
Kim Murphy	Holly Nichols
Nancy Peck	Susie Ray
Stephanie Saylor	Kristi Sockwell
Allye Strickland	Jackie Stutts
Rebecca Tedder	Emily Thornton
Claudia Vance	Mary Marshall Van Sant
Nikki Whitehead	Leigh Ann Wise

SHIFT 3

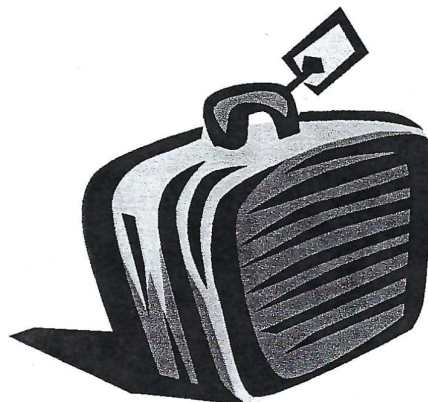
Saturday, Mar. 8
11:30 AM-2:30 PM

Stephanie Banks	Lisa Blazer
Betty Collignon	Lucy Cook
Lisa Davis	Lisa Eckl
Amy Farris	Carla Griffin
Sandy Holcombe	Tracey Marcu
Karen McCool	Jan McCune
Allison McWilliams	Shannon Morris
Nicole Peters	Andrea Pless
Leigh Ann Rutledge	Suzanne Smith
Emily Taylor	Didi Vardiman
Robin Watson	Tammy Wender
Penny Westmoreland	

SHIFT 4

Saturday, Mar. 8
2:30-5:30 PM

Nicole Bowen	Linda Campbell
Melissa Clark	Lisa Darnell
Lori Dolan	Missy Hallmark
Claudia Heimmermann	Ella James
Marianna Jordan	Emily Lawler
Loee Miree	Tina Mitchell
Cindy Ott	Janice Pride
Julia Shook	Pam Skidmore
Tiffany Smart	Ashli Smith
Tonya Southall	Melanie Stokes
Christy Waters	Allison Weaver
Karen Christian	



Apple Annie Funding 2003

1. Colbert-Lauderdale Transportation Fund	Requested
The funds will be used for children who need assistance with travel expenses to Birmingham or Huntsville for medical attention.	\$2,700.00
2. Northwest Alabama Rehab. Center	\$500.00
The funds will be used to cover League Rehab parties during the year.	
3. American Red Cross	\$390.00
The funds will be used for Health and Training materials. Health and Training consist of First Aid, CPR, AED, Instructors going into the community to teach and certify people in first aid, AED, Adult, child and infant CPR.	
4. Alabama Institute For Deaf and Blind	\$1,000.00
The funds will be used to purchase 25 subscriptions to Exceptional Parent magazine. It will be delivered to the Shoals Regional Center and delivered to the families during their monthly home visit made by our Service Coordinators. This is a high quality magazine to help parents with children with disabilities.	
5. Alabama Cooperative Extension System	\$250.00
"Today's Mom Nutrition Education Program." The funds will be used to purchase gift incentives to enhance this nutrition education program, such as pampers, receiving blankets, wet wipes, mail care kits, wall outlet covers, baby bottle warmer, bottle and nipple drying rack, etc.	
6. The Arc of the Shoals	\$2,250.00
The fund will be used to replace tables and chairs at Hope Haven. They will be replaced with lightweight folding tables and plastic chairs which are easy to take down and move. The cafeteria serves as a common room.	
7. Coffee High School Special Education Department	\$340.00
Funding will be used for video instruction and evaluation. Video recordings will be made of students performing daily living and pre-employment tasks. These tapes will be evaluated by teachers and parents as a teaching tool.	
8. Children's Museum of the Shoals	\$3,343.00
The funds will be used to build a storage unit for a set of builder boards, a popular exhibit at the museum. The unit will look like a lumber yard and will help children think logically about selecting lumber for a project. This will be called Apple Annie's Lumberyard sponsored by the Muscle Shoals District Service League.	
9. Colbert Caring Center Inc.	\$8,000.00
The funds will be used to cover expenses associated with helping people in need, such as utility payments, meals, doctor and dental care, prescription drugs, clothing, etc.	
10. Community Action Agency of N.W. AL (Meals on Wheels)	\$1,827.00
The funds will be used to provide a hot noon-day meal 5 days a week to low income home bound adults who live alone and have no one to cook for them.	
11. Food Bank of North West Alabama	\$7,500.00
The funds will be used to provide food to the ill and needy children and elderly of the Shoals area.	
12. Hospice of the Shoals	\$5,000.00
The funds will be used to purchase hospice hardware and software for information technology to be used daily in serving the day to day operation of Hospice.	
13. Lauderdale County Special Education Preschool Program	\$1,450.00
The funds will be used to purchase a Literacy Center Loft and Library Unit which will provide a friendly environment for motor skill therapy, reading skills and much more.	
14. Florence City Schools/Able Works	\$400.00
The funds will be used for a 4-in-1 printer for a non-verbal class ages 14-21 to train in clerical duties. They will be copying and folding programs for a local church.	

(Apple Annie Funding continued)

15. The Healing Place**Requested
\$1,391.61**

The funds will be used to purchase Grief resource books for the resource center. Over a 100 children will benefit from these books.

16. Muscle Shoals Public Library**\$2,499.99**

The funds will be used to purchase a young explorer computer and workstation that would allow young children to have their first experience using a computer.

17. Northwest-Shoals Community College Adult Education Program**\$1,000.00**

The funds will be used to purchase one 20" cable-ready television unit, one DVD/VCR combination unit, one audio-visual equipment cart and various audio visual supplementary materials to effectively work with "AT Risk" students ages 16-21.

18. Northwest Alabama Community Health Assoc., Inc.**\$2,000.00**

Funds will be used to purchase antibiotics and anti-inflammatory medications prescribed and dispensed at the time of dental services.

19. Northwest-Shoals Adult Education Programs**\$1,600.00**

The monies will be used to help fund the afternoon-out program for NACOLG for the mentally ill.

20. Northwest Alabama Reading Aids, Inc.**\$1,586.00**

The funds will be used for the relocation for Northwest Alabama Reading Aids, Inc., for purchasing office equipment, tables, chairs, chalkboards, storage cabinets, etc.

21. Northwest Alabama Children's Advocacy Center**\$907.00**

The funds will be used for a new sound system used to accurately interview victims of abuse.

22. Reading Partner Mentorship**\$1,000.00**

The funds will be used for display boards, printing, stickers for children, brochures, and uniform supplement.

23. Rolling Riders**\$3,528.00**

The funds will be used to pay maintenance and care for 2 horses: feed \$832, hay \$416, hoof care \$400, vet. care \$1000, blacksmith \$880.

24. Riverbend Center for Mental Health**\$627.80**

The funds will be used to purchase items for the pre-school program for children with emotional problems.

25. Safeplace**\$650.00**

Funds will be used to purchase violence prevention resource materials for children's groups.

26. Sheffield Kiwanis**\$5000.00**

The funds will be used for equipment, pouring surfaces for pathways, and for fencing. This is a recreational facility that will offer children with disabilities a truly accessible playground.

27. Sheffield Public Library**\$300.00**

The funds will be used to purchase books on tape for the visually impaired.

28. Shoals Area Committee on Employment of People With Disabilities**\$1,200.00**

Monies will be used to fund both a success program for high school students with disabilities and a workplace internship that will provide experience and needed skills in selecting a career.

29. The Tennessee Valley Art Association**\$500.00**

The funds will be used to purchase two heavy-duty 20" wheelchairs that will have a minimum weight capacity of 250 pounds.

30. Tuscumbia City Schools-Special Education Dept.**\$1,070.31**

The funds will be used to purchase resource equipment for special education classes.

31. United Cerebral Palsy of Northwest Alabama**\$1,049.00**

The funds will be used to purchase a Dell Computer or (equivalent) to replace an outdated computer.

32. West Way Child Development Center, Inc.**\$9,980.00**

The funds will be used to purchase playground equipment for infants and toddlers at both centers.

Future Policies Recommendation

Article VII Committees Section 2 (g.)

Current Policy: g. Hourglass Committee:
The function of the HourGlass Committee shall be to publish and distribute the monthly newsletter of the League.

Proposed Change: g. Hourglass Committee: The function of the HourGlass Committee shall be to publish and distribute the monthly newsletter of the League. The sole purpose of the HourGlass will be to distribute information pertaining to the business of the League.

Comments: There have been requests for business advertisements to be placed within the HourGlass. The second sentence of the proposed change addresses the issues of using the HourGlass for personal gain, which could lead to conflicts of interest within the League, greater expense through postage, and increased demands on the time of the Chairman in preparing the HourGlass.

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