



February 2017

NEWSLETTER OF JUNIOR LEAGUE OF THE SHOALS

Junior League of the Shoals is a philanthropic women's organization serving the Shoals Area. Founded in 1934 as the Muscle Shoals District Service League, its membership has steadily grown from 30 charter members to now more than 120 members from the Shoals Area.

On June 1, 2006, the Muscle Shoals District Service League officially became a member of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which has more than 170,000 members worldwide. We are a 501(c)(3) organization.



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF THE SHOALS

Women building better communities®

A message from the Huff 'n Puff Committee

Get ready! Get set! Go!

Huff 'n Puff on the Bluff 15K and Spring Market is almost here! All JLS members are required to work from 7am until 11am on Saturday, 11 March. Please check the weather and dress appropriately, including wearing tennis shoes. Be prepared to be on your feet and outside for your 4 hour shift. For medical issues that require you be seated, please let Marianne Leigh know by Tuesday at the meeting.

Need more volunteer hours? You can get them here! Should you have the time and inclination, your help will be greatly appreciated at the Spring Market! Set-up for the Market starts at 3pm on Thursday, 9 March, and it will be open from 9am to 7pm on Friday, 10 March, and 9am to 6pm on Saturday. The Market, the start and finish lines for the 15K, and packet pick-up, will be at the Sheffield Rec Center.

Runners, sponsors, and race volunteers are still being accepted so please help spread the word! The entry fee for the race is \$30.00 until 10 March. On-site registration is \$35.00. Runners can shop the Market for free by showing their race bib. All others will be asked to make a \$5.00 donation. To register as a runner, please visit the Huff'n Puff on the Bluff 15K Facebook page.

For more information on becoming a sponsor or a vendor, please visit the Huff'n Puff Spring Market Facebook page. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Chair Marianne Leigh, Vendor Coordinator Caitlin Williams or Lexi Sandlin.

Lexi



HUFF N PUFF NEWS & NOTES

HUFF N PUFF ON THE BLUFF —
Sat., Mar. 11 • Sheffield Rec Center
Race starts at 8:00 am
Leaguers report at 7:00 am
\$5 shopper's ticket • free to runners
\$30 race entry (early)
\$35 race entry after March 6

All hands will be on deck for Huff n Puff.

Friday, March 10 will be packet pick up at Sheffield Rec Center. As well as on the day of from 6:30a-7:45a.

The race course has many twists and turns, so we will need many volunteers to direct runners. (If you know any area groups yhat could volunteer, please let Lexi know)

As well, we will be hosting a Spring Market inside the Rec Center. Friday, March 10th from 9am-7pm and Saturday, March 11th from 8:30am-6pm.

This new shopping event and Kids will coincide with Huff 'n Puff.

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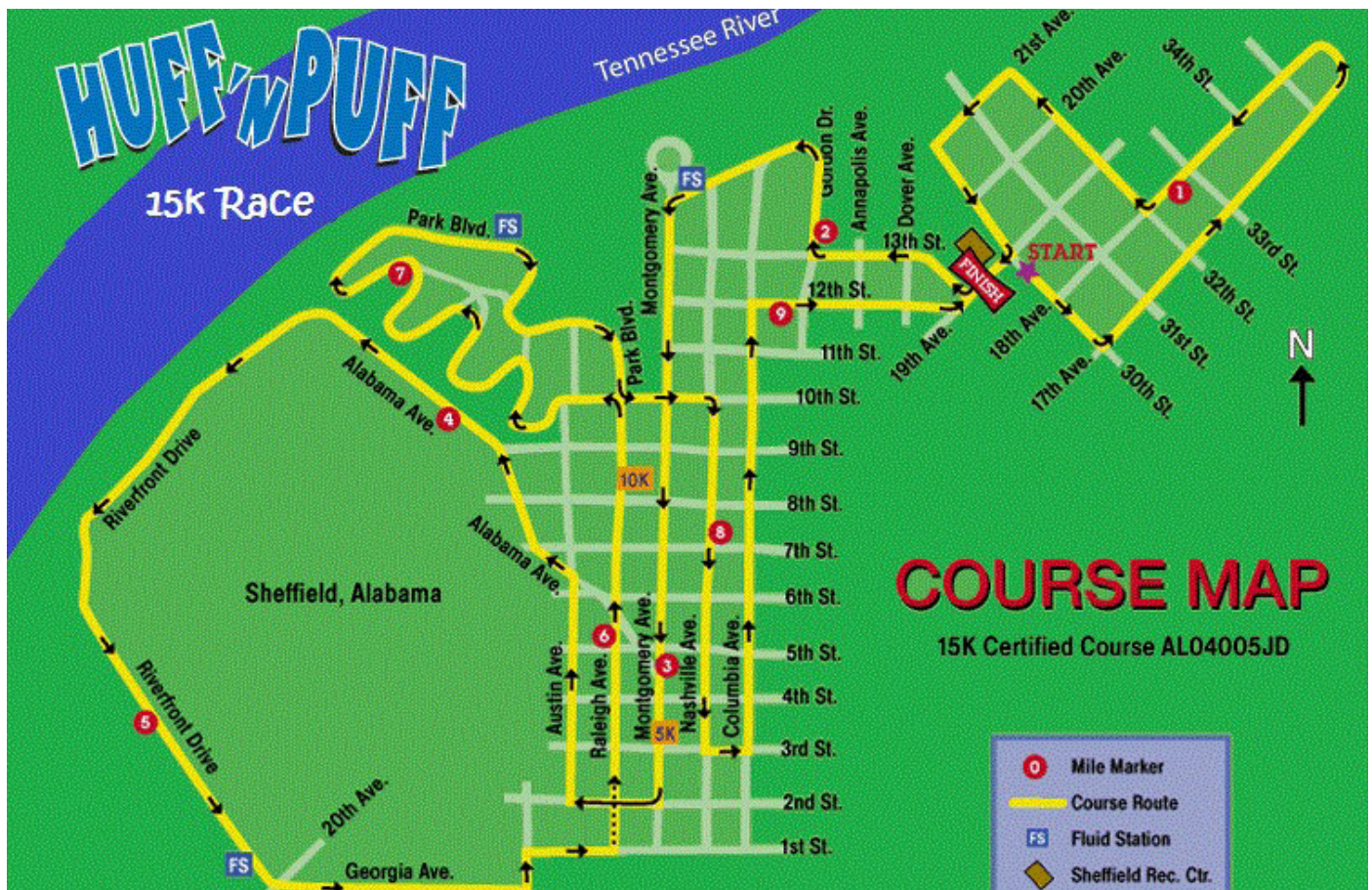
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Race	Caitlin Williams	caitlin.williams09@gmail.com
	Marianne Leigh	marianne.leigh@gmail.com



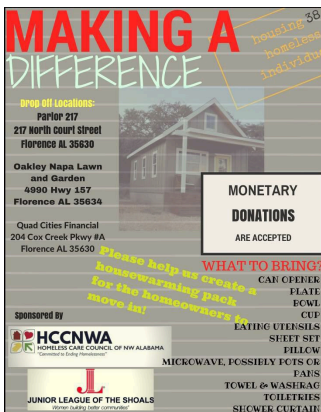
KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

If you are interested in participating in Kids in the Kitchen (Will be held during Huff 'n' Puff) contact

Danielle Atkinson at
mdanielleatkinson@gmail.com



DONE IN A DAY



FEBRUARY

HOMELESS CARE COUNCIL OF NORTHWEST ALABAMA
HCCNWA is currently collecting items to help 38 homeless people transition to having a home. The goal is to make a housewarming pack for each of the people upon move-in. Items and money will be accepted. To donate drop off at Salon 217, Oakley Napa Lawn, Quad Cities Financial or Florence Police Department. Due by Feb. 28. Contact Amanda White at AWhite@florenceal.org OR text 256-577-4409 for more details.

- personal hygiene items
- towels
- washcloths
- can opener
- laundry baskets
- sheets
- dishes
- utensils

MARCH

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF THE SHOALS' ANNUAL BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE

Trying to get at least 2 teams for 5-6 members to bowl on Sunday afternoon, March 12 (time to be determined – between 1p-5p). Each bowler will need to have at least \$25 in donations. This gets you your bowling game & a t-shirt. Contact Amanda White if you would like to bowl or make a monetary donation at 256-577-4409. Lauderdale Lanes on Florence Boulevard. **This is the weekend of Huff n Puff!** *More information will be made available soon.*



APRIL

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BANQUET AND EASTER BASKETS FOR ATTENTION HOME

More information will be made available soon.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Feb. 6 Christy Bowman
Feb. 10 Brittany Churchill
Feb. 10 Jaimie Hays
Feb. 18 Jennifer Underwood
Feb. 18 Kristen Bobo
Feb. 20 Anne Ryan Calvin

Feb. 22 Morgan Gunn
Feb. 24 Jessica Mitchell
Feb. 26 Ruchi Ghandhi
Feb. 26 Melanie Harrison
Feb. 26 Luisa Oswalt

MEETINGS ON FACEBOOK LIVE

Watch League Meetings on Facebook LIVE via the Junior League facebook page during each meeting. Never miss a meeting, no matter what you have going on.

Also, you can rewatch meetings for topics, to answer questions you may have missed or just to see some smiling faces!



UPCOMING EVENTS

READ ACROSS AMERICA

Thursday, March 2 • Various locations

We will be reading to area schools. Please contact Lorie Johnson at loriejohnson323@aol.com if you are interested. You can sign up with your time of availability, or if you have a school you would like to read to specifically, please let Lorie know when you contact her.

March 2 is
NEA's Read Across
America Day



JLS DIRECT SALES SPOTLIGHT

Opportunity alert! If you are a league member that is currently involved with a direct sales company i.e., (LulaRoe, LipSense, Scentsy, Plunder, Younique, etc.) please contact Amanda Terry to learn about a great way to connect with your fellow league ladies at our monthly meetings. Spots are limited!

MARTIN'S CHARITY SALE

April 8, 2017 • 8am - 1pm • \$5 tickets

SPM Committee will be selling tickets for the Martin's Charity Sale. If any league members want to help sell tickets, their help will be greatly appreciated. Ticket holders will receive 20% off their entire purchase! See Leah Tucker at the meeting for tickets.

THE WALK BENEFITING A WALK IN HER SHOES

Sunday, April 23 • 1pm

The Walk is benefiting A Walk in Her Shoes. This group hosts walks to fundraise to dig wells in Africa and Asia.

In these areas each day the average distance that women and children walk for water is six kilometers (3.7 miles). Women carry heavy loads of water (about 20 liters) on their heads in some locations in the world.

Contact Colton Scott at 256-443-0892, if interested.



MAY DINNER

Saturday, May 13 • 7pm

Details to come soon.

Tickets will be available at next month's meeting

NEXT LEAGUE MEETING:

March 7, 2017 • 6:00 pm • First Metro Bank, Downtown Florence

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



**APPLE ANNIE
TREE AT
TENNESSEE
VALLEY ART
ASSOCIATION
— THANKS
TO MOLLIE
HOLLAND &
TOSHA-PAIGE
BREWER**

"Apple Annie tree at Tennessee Valley Art Association in Tuscumbia. Trees of Christmas is Dec 1-24"



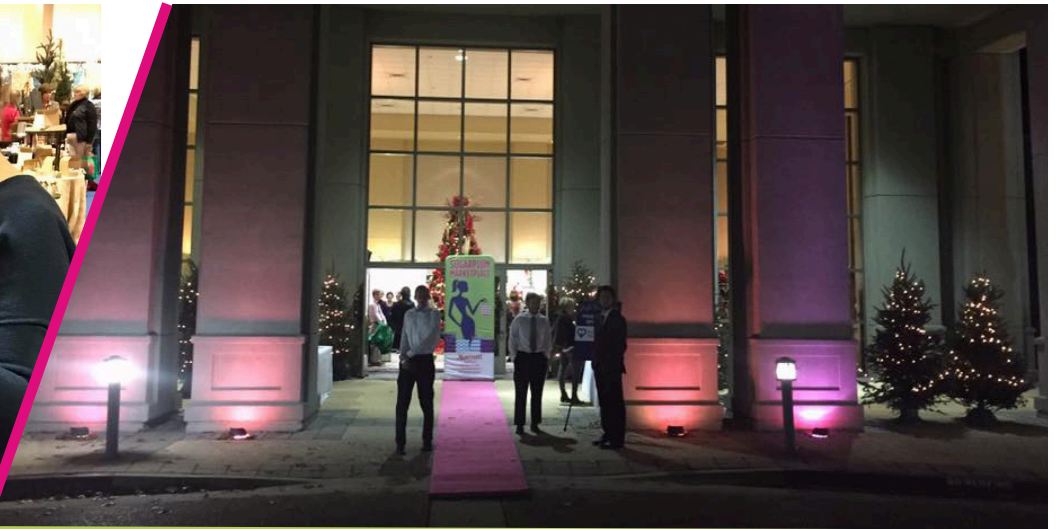
DONATIONS FOR ADOPTED SENIORS FOR QUAD CITIES HOSPICE — THANKS TO STEPHANIE STRAWN

"All of our angel tree gifts have been delivered !!:) I want to thank everyone for helping out! It means the world to us and the patients! Thank you Home Instead and Junior League Of The Shoals for all of your contributions it wouldn't have been possible without your help."

Done in a Day

"Children's Rehab Clinic Christmas Party was a fun morning! We were happy to put a smile on so many kid's faces. This is what it's all about, ladies! Special thanks to Joey Plunk for being such a jolly Santa"





Sugarplum Marketplace & Belle Mingle

These events were the culmination of a year of hardwork. All involved deserve so much praise. The first year in the Marriott was a success and well received!



MEETING MINUTES

December Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 6th, 2016
6:30pm

Meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Kyrel Buchanan

Treasurer's Report- Leslie Huckaba, Kimberly Green
Kimberly has Donation and Check Request Forms.
Dues are due immediately
Summer audit- two forms; check request form and in-kind donation form

Finance-Chanda Long
Grant applications will be due January 13th, 2017
Removing educational technology as an eligible activity

HUFF N' PUFF Race
March 11th, Small shopping event scheduled for the Friday & Saturday before the race, Race for Education

Provisional Directors-Kayla Burgess, Lori Johnson
Next Provisional Meeting at TN Valley Art Museum on the 3rd Tuesday

Sugar Plum- Lexi Sandlin
Thank you for your hard work!

Sugarplum Marketplace was a success!
Most tickets sold contests winners: Chelsea Kennedy & Jennifer C Smith
Marriott was a great step for the future

DIAD- Amanda White
Children's Rehab Christmas Party- wonderful, few children showed due to weather but it was still an amazing event
HUGE Shout Out to Caitlin Williams for working so hard

Shoals Sav A Life- Finish up painting party this Friday-
See Christi Bowman or Jennifer Smith

Member Relations- Angel Myhan
November Dillard's Night- Coupons & Fashion Show-
Event raised \$2400

Tacky Christmas Sweater Party- December 15th, 175 Kilburn Cove, Bring a Dish

General Announcements Sign the Roll Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

February Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 7th, 2017
6:30pm

Meeting was called to order by the President, Amanda Terry.

Guest Speaker - Girls on the Run- Rebecca Hovater and other representatives from GOTR spoke to us about their organization and how they will be looking for volunteers when they move into the Shoals.

****ALL DIRECTORS DESCRIBED THEIR COMMITTEE TO CLARIFY FOR IN-LEAGUE PLACEMENT****

Treasurer's Report- Kimberly Green - We have raised \$5,987 with Apple Annie, as well as giving apple to all students in Colbert and Lauderdale Counties. Sugar Plum raised \$48,101.85. That gives us a total of \$54,088.85 for grants to women's and children's charities in the Shoals.

Provisional Directors- Kayla Burgess, Lori Johnson
- Next Provisional Meeting at First Metro on the 3rd Tuesday

Huff n Puff - Lexi Sandlin, Marianne Leigh
March 11 will be the race. ALL League members will be required to work 7am-11am. Market will be Friday, Saturday

and Sunday, Packet pick up will be Friday. Sponsorships are still available. (\$250 and up). Shirts are available, \$20

DIAD- Amanda White - February 2017 - Homeless Care Council collecting items for people transitioning from the homeless lifestyle. Need items such as dishes, sheets, etc.
March 2017 - Bowling for Kids, more info to come

Member Relations- Angel Myhan - Play Date with League - SkyZone February 23, \$13

Members of the Month- Amanda Terry - Various Winners were chosen by surprise under seats. Chanda Long, Finance - Board Star of the Month

Happy Birthday- Amanda Terry - All Spring birthdays were celebrated at once.

General Announcements - Sign the Roll, Don't forget your Members T-Shirt (See Amanda Terry), Buy Huff n Puff shirts!

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

2017 SLATE OF GRANT SEEKERS

For 2017, these 13 organizations listed below are requesting funding for the project listed here. Due to all of your hard work we are able to give to these area organizations to better the lives of women and children in the Shoals! Please review them and be prepared to vote for their funding possibility in our March meeting.

ORGANIZATION	PROJECT REQUESTING FUNDS FOR	COST
Cramer Children's Center	Camera for documeting abuse	\$2,396.95
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Projects for children waiting to be matched	\$2,900.00
Shoals Sav-A-Life	Care packages for expecting mothers including a book on a health pregnancy and sleep sac	\$1,777.00
Healing Place	Healing Heart bags to help children cope with death of a loved one	\$3,217.50
FAME Girls Ranch	Clothing for teenage residents including new placements and existing placements	\$5,000.00
Attention Homes of Northwest AL	Tutoring services for children behind in school and struggling academically	\$2,500.00
Shoals Community Clinic	Medication assistance for low income individuals	\$2,500.00
YMCA of the Shoals	Hydroponic gardening for children to grow their own vegetables and take them home	\$1,200.00
Success by 6	Support for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library	\$1,500.00
Northwest AL Reading Aides	Reading materials to assist with adult literacy	\$600.00
Motivating Vision with a Purpose	Educational materials for children dealing with topics such as bullying and teen suicide	\$400.00
TOTAL REQUESTED		\$23,991.45

2017 SLATE OF GRANT SEEKERS

The deadline for submitting In-League placement forms has been extended to **MARCH 4TH**. Please complete this form if you are interested in serving in a leadership capacity for 2017-2018. General committee sign-up will be available within the next few weeks for those not interested in a leadership role. Stay tuned and thanks for all that you do!!!! Return to Kyrel Buchanan ASAP.

IN-LEAGUE PLACEMENT REQUEST FORM

Name: _____ Provisional Year: _____

The following information will be forwarded to the President, President-Elect, and the Nominating Committee for consideration of elected or in-League positions.

Please indicate your interest in any of these opportunities, ranking in order of desire.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE *(required to attend monthly Board Meetings and retreats)*

_____ President-Elect _____ Secretary

_____ Treasurer (2 yr. position) _____ Assist. Treasurer (2 yr. position)

APPOINTED OFFICERS *(required to attend monthly Board Meetings and 2 other meetings)*

_____ Provisional Directors (2 positions available)

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS *(required to attend monthly Board Meetings)*

_____ Finance _____ Hourglass/Webpage _____ Member Relations

_____ Kids In the Kitchen/Hospitality _____ Placement Chair

_____ Public Relations/Yearbook & Records/ League Photographer

APPLE ANNIE COMMITTEE *(Chair required to attend monthly Board Meetings and separate committee meetings)*

_____ Apple Annie Chairperson _____ Apple Annie Co-Chairperson _____ Bag Chair

_____ Post Chair _____ Crate Chair _____ Assist. Crate Chairs (4 positions)

_____ Classroom Chairs (2 positions available)

SUGARPLUM COMMITTEE *(Chair/Co-Chair required attending monthly Board Meetings and separate committee meetings)*

_____ Market Chairperson _____ Market Co-Chairperson _____ Merchant Chair

_____ Merchant Co-Chair _____ Corporate Solicitation Chair _____ Corporate Solicitation Co-Chair

_____ PR Chair _____ Logistics Chair _____ Logistics Co-Chair

_____ Special Events Chair _____ Special Events Co-Chair _____ Operations Chair

_____ Operations Co-Chair

TRANSPORTATION/ATTENTION HOMES/REHAB/DONE-IN-A-DAY *(required to attend monthly Board Meetings)*

_____ Chairperson

JLS 2016-2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT

Amanda Terry

PRESIDENT ELECT

Kyrel Buchanan

SECRETARY

Lyndsey Borden

TREASURER

Leslie Huckaba

ASST. TREASURER

Kimberly Green

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS

Lorie Johnson &
Kayla Burgess

FINANCE CHAIR

Chanda Long

HOURGLASS

Tiff Butler

PLACEMENT CHAIRS

Terra Smith
Elizabeth Peoples

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN & HOSPITALITY

Danielle Atkinson

PR/YEARBOOK/PHOTO

Haley Heupel

DIAD/EASTER SEALS/ ATTENTION HOMES

Amanda White

APPLE ANNIE CHAIR & CO-CHAIR

Mollie Holland &
Tosha-Paige Brewer

SUGARPLUM MARKETPLACE CHAIR & CO-CHAIR

Sajel Patel Speyrer &
Leah Tucker

SUSTAINER/MEMBER RELATIONS

Angel Myhan

A candle loses
nothing by
lighting another
candle.

— Italian Proverb

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