

HourGlass



January 2005

President's Message

A Heart for Service in the Shoals

Dear League Members,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. I cannot believe we are halfway through the year. We must now turn our attention toward our next fundraiser, Bag-A-Bargain.

The Bag-A-Bargain committee has made a few changes that are exciting and fun. The preview party is no longer a party the night before the sale. It is now going to be called Bag-A-Bargain Bash. It will be held February 19, 2005, at Turtle Point Country Club. Remember, League members may invite guests (guests will also need tickets).

The date for the rummage sale has been set for March 5, 2005. The Bag-A-Bargain committee will have all the details at the meeting.

I would also like to take a minute and thank the provisional class, Allison McWilliams, Christy Sockwell and Julie Richey for sponsoring the wonderful gift baskets at the December meeting. The raffle on the baskets raised close to \$700.00. Thank you again ladies, you did a wonderful job. I would also like to thank Demet Jerkins, Beth Trimble and the Cookbook Committee for the wonderful job they did setting up the cookbook table. It is little things like this that make a difference. Thank you again ladies, job well done.

Please remember that mid-year placement forms are due by the end of the January meeting. Take time to fill these out thoroughly as it is from these questionnaires that the Placement Committee evaluates the current placements and determines if changes need to be made. The bottom portion of the questionnaire is where you can express your interest in an in-league placement. Please mark all in-league placements in which you may be interested. From these forms, the Nominating Committee will compile a list of those who wish to be considered for 2005-2006 Executive Board positions: President-Elect, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. At the January meeting we will elect the Nominating Committee. Between now and then, please be thinking of three Lauderdale and three Colbert County women you feel will serve on this committee in an unbiased manner and who will take the job of choosing the 2005-2006 Executive Board with the seriousness it deserves.

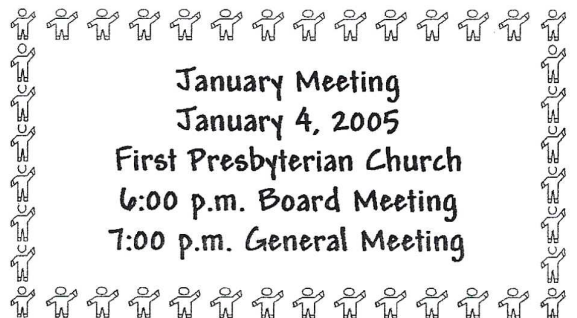
Our next five meetings will be filled with some very important issues. These include planning of Bag-A-Bargain, the election of the Nominating committee, and voting on Apple Annie and Bag-A-Bargain funds. I encourage you to try your best to attend these meetings as we start to wind down the year. I look forward to seeing you at the January 4th meeting. Again, thanks for all that you do. Without the help of every single person, League would not be able to accomplish all it does.

Becky

Provisional News

The next provisional meeting will be January 18 at 6:30p.m. at the American Legion Building/ Red Cross Center. Thank you, Allison and Juli

January Meeting
January 4, 2005
First Presbyterian Church
6:00 p.m. Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. General Meeting



MSDSL November General Meeting Minutes December 7, 2004

The Muscle Shoals District Service League held its December General Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on December 7, 2004, at First Presbyterian Church in Florence, AL. Becky McDaniel, President, called the meeting to order.

Roll: 56 Active Members present, 24 Provisional Members present.

Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes from the November General Meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Membership Status: Leslie Tomlinson reported the Board accepted the resignations of Emily Taylor, Sally Bohannon, Nicole Peters, La Shonda Schichtle, and Shannon Rue and approved leaves for Karen Grisham, Jennifer Lathram, Julie Cochran, and Lisa Davis. Leslie also reported there were no members with excessive absences.

Treasurer's Report: In the absence of Lisa Eckl, Treasurer, Leslie Tomlinson reported the following balances as of November 30, 2004:

Administrative:	7,558.02
Community:	
Apple Annie	41,363.33
Cookbook	1,666.67
Special Olympics	1,000.00
Rehabilitation	340.80
Transportation	185.00
Bag A Bargain	769.65
Total Community	45,325.45
Memorial:	215.10
TOTAL	53,098.57

Leslie noted the Apple Annie balance does not reflect the payment of apples made on December 6, 2004 of \$14,053.88.

Correspondence: Kristi Sockwell, reported all letters granting leaves of absence and resignations have been sent.

Committee Reports

Apple Annie—In the absence of Patty Redd, chairman, Becky McDaniel thanked all members for their hard work. Final profit numbers should be available in January.

Bag A Bargain—Michelle Simpson announced the BAB Bash would be held on February 19th at TPYCC. Dress will be smart casual and the price will be \$40 per couple. March 5th is the Sale Date and the location will be the same. Second letters to the corporate sponsors will be sent this week. Michelle thanked members for dropping their thrift off early. The storage unit is full and the cookbook storage unit is full as well. Scheduling cards and money for the BAB Bash is due tonight.

Cookbook—Demet Jerkins reported the cookbook committee is offering a special on cookbooks: \$16.00 each or 5 for \$80.00. Demet also announced she had reached an agreement with Barnes and Noble to sell the Art of Cooking.

Cookbook Treasurer—Beth Trimble had no report.

Finance—Missy Ridgeway reported BAB grant request letters have been mailed to area agencies.

Hospitality/Future Policies—Melanie Stokes had no report.

Hourglass—In the absence of Catherine O' Steen, Becky McDaniel announced the next Hourglass deadline would be December 12th at 10:00.

Placement—Goode Dethero reported mid year placement forms are due tonight, but will run again in the January Hourglass if anyone forgot to bring hers. Everyone should see her placement advisor tonight to give her completed placement hours.

Public Relations—Lisa Darnell had no report.

Provisional Directors—Allison McWilliams and Juli Richey announced the next meeting would be at the Tennessee Valley Arts Center. Allison, Juli, and Kristi Sockwell thanked all the provisionals for their hard work on the Basket Sale.

Rehabilitation—Susan Webb announced the Christmas party for the children would be on Thursday at noon. Please come and help if you do not have to work. Also, if anyone is willing to be Santa, please let her know.

Scholarship—Leslie Tomlinson had no report.

Transportation/Attention Homes—Marianna Jordan had no report.

Yearbook and Records—Emily Lawler had no report.

League Development—In the absence of Ashli Smith, Leslie Tomlinson and Becky McDaniel awarded two birthday presents to members with December birthdays.

New Business: Becky McDaniel reported the League will vote on nominating committee next month because there is not a quorum tonight. Kristi Sockwell announced prizes will be awarded to members who are sitting in a chair with a "winner" sticker on the bottom. Baskets were awarded by drawings to Kim Jackson, Rebekah Methvin, Amy Letson (2), Maria Dobbs, Debbie Williams, Shylee Bradford Bevis, Susan Webb, Chandra Cobb, Sherry Gamble, Melanie Huguley, Tricia McKinney, and Beth Scott.

Announcements: Becky McDaniel announced the next General Meeting would be on January 4, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Leslie Tomlinson announced the Junior League affiliation process is going smoothly, with our documentation being presented to the AJLI Board this week. Leslie needs members to volunteer for the affiliation committee. Please see her if you are interested in helping.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Becky McDaniel, President.

Respectfully Submitted: Leslie Tomlinson, 2004-2005 Recording Secretary