The Hourglass

Junior League of The Shoals

Women building better communities

January 2009

PRESIDENT'S POST



Happy New Year!! Wow, can you believe it is already 2009! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. I am very pleased to hear all of the positive comments about our 2nd Sugarplum Marketplace, and how the community cannot wait until next year's market. The Coliseum was transformed into a magical winter wonderland that allowed the shoppers to escape into a fun-filled shopping weekend!! Thank you to all of the members and sustainers that made this market possible. Please be sure to congratulate Heather, Amy, Laura, Brandi, Danette, Kelly M., Kelli F., Cara, and Erin on a job well done organizing this market. They spent countless hours in preparation for this event

and many started their hours last year in January!! Thank you ladies :-). Our profit is truly astounding, and the community agencies will be very appreciative when we distribute money early in 2009. Be sure to see Jennifer Harscheid to purchase your copy of our new Junior League of The Shoals cookbook, Savour The Shoals. The recipes are fabulous...they will truly make entertaining memorable!! Thank you to the Jennifer and the cookbook committee who counted all of the cookbooks when they arrived and unloaded them into storage. It was a huge undertaking! Our newly elected Nominating Committee will meet right after the January meeting to select the new President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Please remember to complete your In-League request form and turn them in by the end of the meeting January 6th to either myself or Tonya. It is very important that you mark every placement you are interested in, all of which are listed on the form. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or e-mail. We made it through our busy fundraising fall. Thank you for every effort you have each put

Meredith McClanakan

See you January 6th.

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towards making The Junior

League of The Shoals an or-

ganization we can be proud of!!

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COOK BOOK UPDATE

WOW! The cookbook is off to a great start in its 1st official month of sales! We have already sold over 720 books and the orders are still coming in! Keep telling everyone you know about the book & if anyone wants to order a copy, please give them my phone number (760-4460) and we will work something out.

I want to say THANK YOU to all of my worker bees who came out on Nov. 25th to help count & move the new books into our storage unit. I honestly would have been sitting on the ground bawling like a baby if you all hadn't shown up exactly when you did! (If you were there, you know why I wanted to cry!)

I want to say THANK YOU to all of my Apple Cider ladies! Thank you so much for making the cider for the cookbook booth! We had several shoppers tell us how good it was and that it was better than the samples offered at other booths! You all went above & beyond and I can't thank you enough!

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Also...THANK YOU to all of you that worked the booth at Sugarplum. You all kept my mind at ease – every time I walked by to see how things were, you all said "it's going great!" I couldn't have done it without you!

And lastly....the cookbooks will be on sale at each League meeting. If you need a copy between meetings, please just give me a call.

Happy Cooking! Jennifer Harscheid glenn jennifer07@bellsouth.net









- Jan 6 League Meeting
- Jan 10 Hourglass deadline
- Jan 20 Provisional meeting at Red Cross

Alpha Embroidery Sugarplum Marketplace



The second year of Sugarplum Marketplace was a great success with over 3,000 people coming through the doors.

Thanks so much to all of the league members. So many of you went above and beyond in helping with Sugarplum Marketplace by working extra hours and making food for the merchant lounge. We received so much posi-

tive feedback from the merchants about how you took great care of them. Positive comments like that are what keep the merchants coming back and will help our market continue to grow in the future.

Again, thank you for all of your hard work. A big event like this is not possible without the help of everyone in league. Thanks and Kudos to you all.

Market Chair

2008-2009 JLS Nominating Committee

Claudia Askew - CHAIR Myranda Barrett Kanisha Jaynes Carrie Sanders Jennifer Rickard Mary Cecelia Youngblood

ALTERNATES: Beverly Byars Suzanne Harless



Heather McClure













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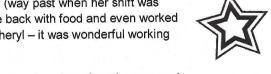
I wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone for coming together and helping me with the Merchant Lounge.

For all of you who fulfilled hours by bringing food and for all of you who answered my desperate SOS e-mail on the Friday of market - I can't thank you enough. It did get a little scary there on Friday when it seemed like we couldn't keep enough food on the tables - to the point where we had to order 10 pizzas! I can't even count the numbers of cheese balls, sausage balls, chicken fingers, bowls of soups, and cheesecakes we went through over the 3-day event!

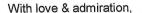
For all of you who helped in the Lounge slingin' and cookin' food and for all of you who worked the aisles & brought the merchants plates - I can't thank you enough either! You all worked so hard to keep our merchants happy AND HAPPY THEY WERE!!! I can't count the number of times we were thanked & how many times we were told how we had gone "above and beyond" with

keeping the lounge stocked. We even had several "I do several shows each year and I have never received such wonderful treatment." One merchant even said that she wanted to come back next year & that she didn't care if she sold a thing - she only wanted to come back because of us!!

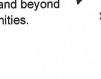
I want to give a special THANK YOU to CHERYL BORDEN! She earned the title as my assistant over the weekend. She stayed with me all day on crazy Friday (way past when her shift was over) and came back with food and even worked on Sunday!! Cheryl - it was wonderful working with you!



I am honored to be a member of our League and thankful for the opportunity to work with a group of wonderful women who go above and beyond to help our League help our communities.



Jennifer Harscheid











Junior League of the Shoals Minutes

The Junior League of the Shoals held its December, 2008, meeting on December 2nd, at First Presbyterian Church. The meeting was called to order by Tonya Foote, President - Elect.

Minutes: A motion was made to accept the November Minutes as published in the Hourglass. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Membership Status: Resignation requests were approved for Amy Styles and Audrey Cohenour.

Treasurer's Report: Kerry Laughlin, Treasurer, reported that she is working to set up a system to accept credit cards online and at meetings.

Committee Reports:

- Apple Annie Committee members were recognized for their hard work on Apple Annie Day.
- Cookbook Approximately 400 cookbooks have already been sold. There is still \$100 needed to pay for the cookware that was given away at Sugarplum. See Jennifer Harscheid to make a donation.
- Done in a Day There will be no December project.
- Finance The Finance Committee met to get assignments to research for funds requests. They will meet January 20, at Dale's at 6:00 p.m. to award funding.
- Grant Writing No Report.
- Hospitality/Future Policies No Report.
- Hourglass Please send information for the Hourglass to Lorraine Aylward. The due date is the 10th of each month.
- Kids in the Kitchen No Report.
- Placement No Report.
- Provisional Directors There will be no December Provi-

sional meeting.

- Public Relations Thanks to the Sugarplum Advertising Committee for a great job.
- Rehabilitation/Transportation/Attention Homes Thanks to the Provisionals, each child had 5 gifts at the Christmas party.
- Scholarship We are still working with the people at UNA to find candidates that meet the guidelines for our scholarship.
- Sugarplum Thanks to Jennifer Harscheid for taking on the Merchant Lounge on short notice. •Anyone who needs to change their Sugarplum shift should do so on their own and then notify Amy Davis, Cara Dawson, and Heather McClure. The person who originally was assigned the shift is ultimately responsible for the shift and will be responsible for the fine if no one shows up to work. •Extra hours are available for set up and clean up. •T-shirts and tickets were available at the meeting. •Members should wear the Sugarplum shirt with jeans, khakis, or black pants while working at the Market. •Members should not shop while working their shifts. •Members should park far away from the entrance. •Members should not bring personal items into the Market - there will be no place to put them. •Be 5-10 minutes early to work your shift. •Wear your nametag to work your shift. •The office will be to the left of the stage – sign in and sign out sheets will be in the office.
- Web Page No Report.
- Yearbook and Records No Report.
- League Development In-League Placement forms were discussed. They are due at the January meeting.
 New Business –

The meeting was adjourned by Tonya Foote, President-Elect. Respectfully Submitted, Lucretia Hinton



Easter Seals Rehab Christmas Party

Hello Ladies! I want to first give a huge THANK YOU! The rehab party was a great success! Even though the weather was awful, we still served 18 clients. The children loved seeing Santa and Ms. Claus again this year and Andrea and Dale Dean truly were given a gift and the kids love them. They showed up with a big red sack full of beanie babies for the children, stickers that said, "I saw Santa today", and bells for all the children right off of Santa's Sleigh. They are WONDERFUL. Also, personal thank you to Sugar Plum for giving me the left over food from the Merchant Lounge. Having added 14 clients a week before the party sent me into a tailspin but Tonya, Jennifer, Kerry, and many others pulled in and helped me out so THANK YOU! Thank you Provisionals for all of the gifts, I was able to give each child at least two gifts and they were all very happy to receive them. Thank you also to Laura Beth for the gifts for the Easter Seal's workers, they loved the lotion. I am so thankful, if you can't tell, by everyone in league and how you all pulled together to help make the Christmas Party a very merry time!

Thanks!

Eugenia Miller

MARK YOUR CALCHDAR JAH

congratulations and Welcome to:

Caroline Morgan McClanahan

December 4, 2008

6 pounds 8 ounces



We're on the Web! www.jltheshoals.org

January

6th 6pm Board meeting 7pm Regular League

meeting

10th Hourglass deadline

20th Provisional Meeting at Red Cross





Have an announcement you'd like printed in the newsletter? Then submit your article for the Hourglass by the 10th of each month to:

lorraine.aylward@yahoo.com **Thank you**

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