

# THE *League Line*

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## HUNTSVILLE JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



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### A LETTER FROM OUR *President*



Huntsville Junior Service League had an extraordinary year! Thank you for supporting our efforts. As a league we completed 1,850+ service hours in Walker County.

We had a successful year of fundraising with our annual Pie Sales and inaugural Mother of Pearl Fundraiser. It was nice to see so many sustainers in attendance at the Mother of Pearl Brunch. We were glad to have an event where you could share in the experience with your daughters. The funds raised are going toward our goal of fully funding the Endowed Scholarship, Mobile Food Truck and the Children's art room at the Hospitality House.

This year the league welcomed 22 Provisional members. These women have brought a sweet spirit and fresh energy to the league. They embody every reason I love JSL! Our membership has grown to 60 women! The league has grown so much we are now hosting meetings at the Walker Education Center.

Due to the growth, we are taking a new approach this year in regards to re-branding the league so that we remain a leader in serving the community. The growth we've seen in the league over the past few years is indicative of our reach not only in the community, but through the region and social media as well. Our goal this year is to maintain the momentum and maximize our INFLUENCE in the community and among the Provisional Class.

As always, we appreciate your continued support!

*-Laura Dougherty*

"What we do only has value if we give it away."---Anonymous

## *Stay in-the-know!*

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## 2014 Provisional Class



On September 8<sup>th</sup> the League welcomed our new 2014 Provisional Class with the annual Provisional dinner. In total, we have 22 new members who are ready and willing to actively serve our wonderful community!

*Pictured:*

(Back, L-R) Kelly Carnline, Sherry Sheppard, Monique Holman (Second Row, L-R), Amanda Burris, Nicole Kelley, Stacey Roberts, Megan Oltman, Lacy Wilkinson, Rhonda Lindley, Rachel Hail, and Abby Winn (Third Row, L-R) Luci Zuniga, Misti Sorenson, Kristi Gilliland, Denise Winston, Allie Bartges (Front Row, L-R) Autumn Walker, Kalyn Cavazos, Callie Dobbs and Casey Rehse

*Not pictured:*

Brandy Robbins and Ashley Lankford

## Service Highlight



## Hospitality House

This summer, JSL sponsored the purchase of a cabinet set for the Hospitality House's new Children's Art Therapy Building. We are SO excited to be a small part of huge blessing to the families of inmates, ESPECIALLY their children.

On September 22, we hosted a "Painting Party" Service/Social at the Hospitality House. After a tour of the home, our members created a mosaic style art installation to be hung in the new Children's Building. We were thrilled to have active member and art teacher, Molly Davis coordinate this project! We also decorated children's-sized art aprons to leave for use in the building and filled the cabinets we sponsored with a huge pile of art supplies!

For the complete story and pictures, check out the blog entitled "Art Against the Odds".



## Save the Dates!

### Mobile Food Truck

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

8:15AM - NOON

HUNTSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

### Pie Deliveries

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

VARIOUS TIMES

YOUR FRONT DOOR

ONLY FOR OUR SUSTAINERS!

### Mother of Pearl Brunch

SATURDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 AM

WALKER COUNTY EDUCATION  
CENTER

### Spring Banquet

MONDAY, MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>

6:00 PM

WALKER COUNTY EDUCATION CENTER  
FOR TICKETS, CONTACT  
JSL.HUNTSVILLE@GMAIL.COM

## It's Pie Time!

The Huntsville Junior Service League is selling pies from the amazing Pie in the Sky Pie Co.!! The funds raised will benefit our Endowed Scholarship as well as many projects we organize throughout the year.

The pies will be here in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas, so you handle the turkey & let Huntsville JSL handle the PIES! The pies are really fantastic and a nine inch fully cooked pie is only \$20. Orders are due October 13, so contact any JSL member if you would like one of these scrumptious pies...

Harvest Pumpkin ~ Apple Streusel ~ Buttermilk Coconut  
Chocolate ~ Southern Pecan

We will personally deliver all pie orders to our wonderful sustainers on November 20<sup>th</sup>! For more info or to order contact us at [jsl.huntsville@gmail.com](mailto:jsl.huntsville@gmail.com). All mailed payments must be received by October 10<sup>th</sup>.



Last year, we reached the \$25,000 mark on our endowed scholarship at SHSU, so it currently pays out every other year. With the success of last year's pie sales and Mother of Pearl fundraisers, we will be making a contribution of \$5,000-7,000 this fall! By supporting these annual fundraisers, you can help us to reach the ultimate goal of \$50,000 that was set many years ago. Once we reach \$50,000, the scholarship will be able to be awarded ANNUALLY.

If you work for SHSU consider contributing your annual fund pledge directly to the endowment thru payroll deduction. Even if you do not work for SHSU, you can still contribute through employment matching. Together we can achieve this goal!



2013-2014

# A Year in Review

What a great year it was! Our membership of 58 service-minded women dedicated 1850 hours to bettering our community.

We started the year with The Dirty Laundry Social where we made and packaged over 1,300 individual loads of laundry soap, which were then donated to the HISD Hygiene Project. The Provisional class of 15 ladies created two new projects. The first was "Fleece Navidad" in which fleece blankets were made and distributed in December. Their second service project, "Fuzzy Socks" was set on Valentine's Day and included a visit to Carriage Inn and Creekside to give fuzzy socks to the residents. Throughout year, we continued our support and participation in community events such as Fair on the Square, Scare on the Square, the Great Muddy Escape and Huntsville Marathon, various Headstart programs, the Backpack Project, the Food Bank, Say Yes to the Dress, Ducks and Quail Unlimited, Wounded Warrior Banquet and Shot in the Dark.

The league created a new annual fundraiser, the Mother of Pearl Brunch, which was very well received and quite successful. We look forward to continuing a tradition of this ladies' event for many years to come!

All of our members were crucial in the success of the year! We are blessed to have such a fantastic league serving the community!



## ACTIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

### Heather Johns

Heather has been a member of JSL since Lisa Lowery invited her in 2008. She has held many positions on the board and has been very influential and active in the league over the last six years. She is married to Tyler and they have 2 daughters, Willa and Evie.

*What was your favorite activity in Junior Service League?*

I have really enjoyed being part of the Junior Service League and the many volunteer opportunities it provides in our community. I love that it is a group of women who come together for a greater purpose and cause. I've especially enjoyed being part of the Backpack Project and Mobile Food Truck. Both of these service projects have opened my eyes to a huge need in our community. I'm proud of the impact that JSL is making in the lives of many families and children in Walker County.

*What would you like to see the League accomplish?*

I would love to see the League continue to grow. Our active membership has nearly tripled since I joined, which means JSL is better able to serve our community. Provisional members bring new ideas, perspective, and more man power.....or should I say WOMAN power. Our League is only as strong as the members, so I encourage sustainers to share information about JSL with other women and send prospective members our way!

