

A Letter From the President ...

Welcome all to the 96th year of The Junior League of Montgomery! June 1st started our new league year with the first new Board of Directors meeting, and I shared the news that all our events are scheduled to be in person at this time. College and Career Night is September 13th, and the first General Membership Meeting is September 7th. I hope you all will be able to attend. Holiday Market is October 6th-9th, Women's Leadership Summit will be in March 2021, and the Rummage Sale in April 2021.

Our Community Placements for this year are going to be fantastic, and membership is enthusiastic about serving. The Grant Workshop for non-profits wanting to apply for the next league year will be held at the league office on June 23rd from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. This information is posted on our public Facebook page. Please share it so we can reach as many non-profits as possible.

We are in Summer Office hours, which are Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Our new office manager, Lora Reynolds Evans, is available during those times.

Thank you all for your perseverance in serving with The Junior League of Montgomery. Last year's President, Allison Prillaman, did an amazing job of keeping the League thriving, along with all the board and members that worked hard to support the league's mission. I am looking forward to serving this league year with all of you. We are going to have a great time while learning a lot about the community we live in and ourselves.

Better Together, Marie Wise 2021-2022 President

2020-2021 Board of Directors

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June Birthdays

- 1 Andrea Carman
- 1 Cary McMillan
- 1 Acquanetta Pinkard
- 1 Winnie Stakely
- 2 Megan Johnson
- **3 Elizabeth Mathews**
- 3 Millie Rocheleau
- 4 So Juan Crenshaw
- 5 Margaret Ann Selman
- 7 Letrice Ware
- 7 Suzanna Wasserman Edwards
- 9 Claire Austin
- 9 Christina Hall
- 10 Tasha Cooper 11 Donna Brock 12 Ann Winborne 13 Kendall Dunn 13 Tramaine Dunn **13 Morgan Chappell 13 Jeanie Parnell** 13 Nancy Cone 13 Jocelyn Stovall 14 Marnie Dillon 15 Denise Baylor 15 Mary Ann Geier
- 18 Tessa Averhart
- **18 Mary Ethel Gross**
- **18 Florence Tyson**

- 19 Susan Hart
- **19 Mary Mitchell**
- 20 Traci Howell
- 20 Carol Loeb
- 21 LaTricia Jones
- 22 Blake Ioimo
- 22 Laury Morgan
- 22 Karen Vinson
- 23 Nikesha Tilton
- 24 Beverley Amberg
- 24 Jean Brown
- 24 Ginny Cumbus
- 26 Kimberly Baker
- 28 Leslie Martorana
- 29 Katie Steinwinder
- 30 Kelley Eley

July Birthdays

- 1 Dana Butler
- 1 Elizabeth Crump
- 2 Sarah Sharker
- 5 Lucy Jackson
- 5 Marche Johnson
- **5** Carrie McCollum
- **5** Rachel Minder
- 5 Portia Osborne
- 7 Kate Bartlett
- 7 Katy Fuqua-Tarantino
- 7 Erica Moore
- 7 Venessa Watkins
- 8 Laura Stevenson
- 9 Jasmine Banks
- 10 Krishula Edwards 18 August Haygood

- 10 Aigner Kolom
- 11 Jerusha Adams
- 11 Deidre Smith
- 12 Mae Cohen
- 13 Paula Ayeni
- 13 Jan Hodgson
- 14 Susannah Cleveland
- 14 Bette Smith
- 16 Jamila Walker
- 17 Janet DuBose
- **17 Tamaya Roberts**
- 18 Virginia Beale
- **18 Ashley Hamlett**
- - 18 Yeteva Johnson

- 19 Gibbs Davis
- 19 Susan Geddie
- **19 Margaret McNeill**
- **19 Aimee Steineker**
- **19 Leah Stephens**
- 20 Jean Anderson
- 20 Stephanie Johnson
- 20 Keyarrow Moore
- 20 Susan Patton
- 20 Nancy Shinbaum
- 21 Victoria Belton
- 21 Lovetta Churchill
- 22 Ashley Caver
- 23 Mary Hossier
- 23 Jane Klingler
- 23 Ellenann Yelverton

- 24 Paula Carpenter
- 24 Corette Scott
- 25 Faye Ayeni
- 25 Dell Murdock
- 26 Becky Canerday
- 26 Jill Farris
- 26 Barbara Grimes
- 27 Stephanie Rollins
- 27 Pamela Selmar
- 27 Tamela Selmar-**Burks**
- 28 Meredith Bishop
- 28 Alicia Brooks
- 28 Tiffany McCauley
- 30 Mary Jane Guyton
- 30 Hannah Lehman
- 30 Briana Perkins

13 Julie Crane

Service Dogs of Alabama

The Service Dogs of Alabama (SDA) committee has been hard at work furbishing "PODS" for future recipients of these wonderful pups! The PODS are single room dwellings for the family/individual to stay in during the week of their training and graduation.

We finished this placement off with a BANG - with a 5 dog graduation and stay in the PODS.

We provided welcome baskets to each room, a final clean up before the recipients arrived and helped prep for graduation. Below is a great photo of the graduation ceremony.



College and Career Night



2021 Award Recipient: Junior League of Montgomery's Virtual College and Career Fair The AJLI Award for Innovation

The Junior League of Montgomery's longstanding 35-year-old program - College and Career Fair - took a turn when the COVID-19 pandemic hit, and they had to improvise and reimagine the entire event. Simply not having it was not an option, as it would affect students and families who rely on this community event to explore college and career possibilities, gather scholarship information, and discover financial aid opportunities. And so, the Virtual College and Career Fair was born. Adjusting to a virtual platform, though not ideal, still allowed the Junior League of Montgomery to grow their reach far beyond what they envisioned, as they realized they were able to impact more students and more families.

This is the first time we have won an award from AJLI and something to be celebrated! We were granted \$10,000 for our achievements.

2020-2021 Grant Recipients

For the 2020-2021 League year, we were honored to work with the following community partners to whom we awarded a total of \$94,000 in grant monies.

Our partners for 2020-2021 were:

Aid to Inmate Mothers Brantwood Children's Home Disability as an Ability Toward Success: Moms on the move Human Trafficking Impact Alabama Montgomery Area Council on Aging Montgomery Christian School (MCS) Playground Nellie Burge Comm Center Service Dogs Alabama Strong Tower at Washington Park Women of Refined Gold, Inc.

Congrats to our 2020-2021 Award Winners

Our In-League volunteer of the year is **Amanda Miller**! Thank you for serving our Women's Leadership Summit with all your heart!



Our Sustainer for the season is **Summer Patterson!** Thank you for your continued services to the League and thank you for helping with the Rummage Sale!





Our Sustainer for the year is **Felicia Long!** Thank you for your continued services to the League!

Our community volunteer for the year is **Coretta Scott!** Thank you for your services to the League!

In-League Placement of the Year

Our Women's Leadership Summit is the winner of the In-League Placement of the Year award. We had a great success for this event and a BIG thank you goes out to the ladies in charge of hosting.



Community Placement of the Year

Women of Refined Gold is the winner of the Community Placement of the Year award. The mission of Women of Refined Gold is to Educate, Empower, and End repeat cycles of unhealthy relationships. They do so by educating communities impacted by domestic violence, taking a holistic approach, and equipping women and teen girls with survivor resources to reclaim their lives.

Women to Watch

This award annually recognizes members who have distinguished themselves as up and coming leaders in the Junior League of Montgomery. Our future shines bright because of their willingness to serve. Each of these ladies is truly amazing and are the epitome of Women to Watch, demonstrating the following characteristics:

Inspiring others; Committed/dedicated; Enthusiastic; Leads by example . . . servant leader; Goes above & beyond what is expected; Shows initiative; Maintains a positive, friendly, cheerful disposition.

Kathleen Penny





Natalie Mason

Adrienne Chastain



CONGRATULATIONS

Join JLM!

We are still accepting new members through August 2021!! Please reach out in the community to help us get some new amazing ladies! Age requirements are 23 and up. There is no longer a cap age on joining.



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League Lines

ONE MISSION. ONE MEMBERSHIP. ONE LEAGUE.

The Junior League of Montgomery is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.