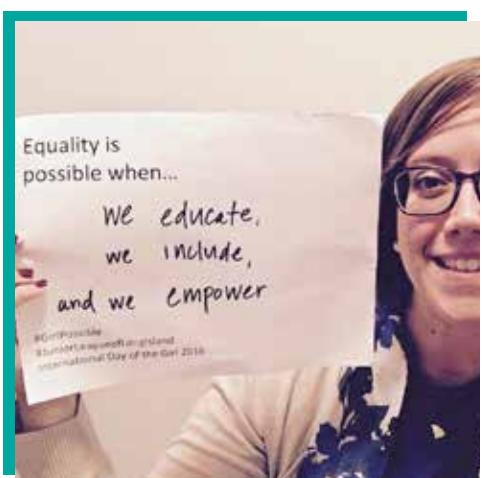


JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LONG ISLAND



An **ORGANIZATION** of **WOMEN COMMITTED** to **PROMOTING VOLUNTARISM, DEVELOPING** the **POTENTIAL** of **WOMEN** and to **IMPROVING** the **COMMUNITY** through the **EFFECTIVE ACTION** and **LEADERSHIP** of **TRAINED VOLUNTEERS**. Its purpose is **EXCLUSIVELY EDUCATIONAL & CHARITABLE**.



SPRING 2017

JL Letter from the President

As Junior Leaguers we possess an entrepreneurial spirit that is difficult to come by in an all-volunteer force and even more difficult to cultivate. Our members seek out membership in an organization that hands over a partial blueprint and says "ok, now build this thing." And we do. We plan, we design, we construct. And when we're done, there stand lighthouses. Some small and mighty, some tall and strong, all a signal that there is a network of talented, dedicated, generous women who care about this community and work hard to make an impact.

The theme for the 2016-2017 Junior League of Long Island year is "Our Island, Our League." It serves as a reminder that on this roughly 1,400 square mile stretch of island we are the one Junior League. That on an island of lighthouses we are the only organization of all-women volunteers constructing them the Junior League way. I am so proud of us for the steps we've taken this year to make our lights shine brighter, to build in new and different ways, and to project the light of others who have the same passion for community-fortifying, mission-driven work that we do.

"JLLI is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism..."

The Board of Directors has green-lighted an exploration into new impact areas for 2017-2018 including literacy, support for homeless youth, and senior resources. All in addition to our signature projects addressing the need for safe play spaces for children in all communities, the first steps towards economic independence for women entering the workforce, and childhood health.

"...developing the potential of women..."

We have doubled our sponsorship of executive-level nonprofit management training for both new and current League leaders. We have and continue to recognize the talent and passion of those willing to lead and we have given them on-the-job training while investing in their education.

"...and to improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers..."

We have sought out new partnerships and supported the work of other Long Island nonprofits that believe in this community and provide day in and day out, boots on the ground support and services that our island relies on.

I am honored and humbled by the privilege of leading this remarkable, lighthouse building, light shining organization in the community I have called my home for thirty years. A diverse island coupled with a mighty group of empowered women is a recipe for success. Please continue to support the Junior League of Long Island in serving our mission statement, creating opportunities for women to serve, and connecting to our community for a lasting impact.

Best Regards,
Deidre J Delay
President



2016-2017	
President	Deidre Delay
President elect	Caroline Tice
Communication Director	Jennifer Livingston
Recording Secretary	Morgan Rooney
Finance Director	Tracy Pfaff
Membership Activities/Training Director	Monica Telesse
Nominating/Placement Director	Cheri Grausso
Projects/Research Director	Christina Ho
Treasurer	Loretta Hahn
Sustaining Directors	Carol-Anne Condon & Kate Murphy

The Junior League of Long Island's Community Impact

Donations for the Junior League of New Orleans

Helping the Flood Victims – On September 6th, 2016, the Done in a Day Committee shipped out a 46-lb. box of donations to the Junior League of New Orleans. These donations will assist the flood victims in need and will be distributed to emergency shelters in Louisiana. Donations included diapers, baby wipes, Walmart gift cards, women's feminine hygiene products, and several hundred dollars in donations. The DIAD committee would like to thank everyone for their help and support with this project!



PROJECT BACKPACK

Just in time for the new school year! Thanks to a generous donation from Scout by Bungalow, we donated 10 backpacks and supplies to Chance to Advance, a program of the EAC Network aimed at bringing meaningful change to the lives of at-risk children and youth in foster care throughout Long Island.



Halloween Party

Boys & Girls Club of Glen Cove - In October, the League held its annual Halloween Party at the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club. Thanks to the success of the prior year's party and the hard work of this year's DIAD Committee, attendance doubled from the previous year and 100 kids attended the party. There was pumpkin painting, mummy wrapping, and crafts for all.



Ronald McDonald House

On Saturday October 15th, JLLI made Brunch for the residents of the Ronald McDonald house of Long Island. The day began with a tour around the house which includes meditation rooms, kitchens, game rooms, and individually designed rooms for the families to stay. Members interacted with a few patients and their families who were so grateful to have a place to call their own at a difficult time in their lives. The house was almost at max capacity with 90 residents that day, so JLLI did what we do best and rolled up our sleeves to get to work. In just a few short hours we provided the residents with a beautiful home-cooked brunch complete with eggs, bacon, sandwiches and delicious cookies. A huge thank you to the Ronald McDonald house who graciously allowed us to spend the morning with them, and a big shout out to all the JLLI volunteers for all their help and positivity.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

**11.19.16
30 Volunteers**

came together to put together thanksgiving baskets for families in need. The baskets included vouchers for turkeys, stuffing, peas, corn, cake mix, cranberries and many other thanksgiving goodies. 100 baskets were donated to St. Aidan's Church, The INN, Belmont Child Care Association, the Family Service League, and the Long Island Council of Churches.

What a fabulous night we had at our Annual Fundraiser! by Melissa Beyer



On March 25, 2017, at the magnificent Glen Cove Mansion, it was a night to remember! The theme was Masquerade, and the committee pulled through and gave our guests a night of mystery and mischief. It was so lovely to see our guests dressed up, looking so glamorous and handsome! We have to say it was very impressive to see so many guests with great costumes; there were notable favorites such as Mr. Joe Tardi (Committee Member Vicki Cretuer's husband) and Mr. Andrew Nies (Committee Member Meredith Nies' family member). It was a good thing we didn't have a prize for the best costume because it just would have been too difficult to select a winner of the evening. In the end, JLLI was the biggest winner because of the overwhelming support from our members, family, and community!

Our Fundraiser committee was truly special this year, they went out of their way and added their personal touch and flair to the event. Our President Ms. Deidre Delay kicked off the evening with a lovely speech and drew the door prize, donated by Ms. Loretta Hahn and won by Ms. Liz Zeitner. Afterward, the crowd participated in the Big Reveal we revealed our identities behind our Masquerade Ball masks.

Our DJ Services were fully donated to us by Bright Lights Incorporated by Owner Paul Meyer and our DJ John was masterful with his selection of music. A huge Thank You for Cristine Bruno for soliciting the donation! Bright Light's donation gave the committee an opportunity to add additional entertainment from Twisted Circus. Rob and Mia delivered on their promise of mischief and mystery with two beautifully performed acts. Rob's illusions were magical and seemed to be so real! Mia's contortion act was fantastic, and her voice was memorable, especially when she finished the act with a song called "The Wine" by Clare Fader, wow! Of course what fundraiser wouldn't be complete without media coverage? Ms. Cognac Wellerlane and her husband Michael covered the entire event, thanks to our Director of Communications Jennifer Livingston for extending the invitation to them! Champagne kisses darlings!

In the months leading to the event, the committee was busy collecting donations throughout our community. We were able to raffle off 25 gift baskets filled with super gifts, 5 Silent Auction Items and the party ended with the drawing of the Big 50/50 winner Lorraine Smith! Regardless if our guest left with a prize or not, everyone was full of smiles and didn't want the evening to end! I can't thank this year's committee members Vicki Cretuer, Meredith Nies, and Deborah Scanlan for pulling off a great event, everyone's hard work paid off, and you made my job as Committee Chair so easy! And Thank You for to all of our sponsors this year!

Adventureland
Aerosoles
Alison Brod Marketing +
Communications
Artisan Building and
Renovations
Bistro 44
Briemere Farms
Bright Lights Incorporated

Broadhollow Theatre
Brooklyn Cyclones
Chiptole
Cold Spring Harbor
Laboratory
Cristine Bruno
Einstein's Attic
Elisa's Restaurant
Erno Laszlo

Glen Cove Mansion
Hahn Family
Hayten Family
Honig Restaurant
John W. Engeman Theater
at Northport
LI Ducks
Make Up Forever
Mittleman Brothers

Mr and Mrs. Neil Blainey
North Fork Photo Booth
Company
NY Giants
NY Jets
NY Red Bulls
Smithtown Center for
Performing Arts
StriVectin

The Cleaning Girls
The Staten Island Yankees
Tim's Shipwreck Diner
Vision World
Healing Oasis



Past-President Diana O'Neill Recognized for Volunteer Work.

On November 18, 2016, past JLLI President and current Executive Director of the Long Island Volunteer Center was honored by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Long Island Chapter (AFPLI) as the recipient of the Outstanding Fundraising Volunteer Award at Philanthropy Day 2016. This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated exceptional leadership as a volunteer in the Long Island fundraising community.

Diana O'Neill has been a leading figure in Long Island's not-for-profit community for decades, growing the Long Island Volunteer Center, as a professional volunteer herself, into a major force that supports the agencies that serve our region with everything from basic human needs to Prom Boutiques that feed the spirits of girls as they enter adulthood.

Her energies have been directed to support programs including the clothing outreach at a local soup kitchen, welfare to work program at a local parish social ministry, creation of a disaster relief mental health alliance registry, collaborative anti-hunger initiative member, co-sponsor of Long Island Volunteer Enterprise (a corporate community service initiative), United Nations International Year of Volunteers 2001 outreach chair, co-creator and chair of the Long Island Volunteer Hall of Fame, lead on Points of Light Foundation national days of service, and active participant in the Long Island VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster) and Long Term Recovery Group Executive Committee member assisting with Superstorm Sandy relief.

Diana received JLLI's 2001 Woman of Achievement Award and was the 2012 50th anniversary gala honoree. She was featured on Newsday's Part 2 cover story in 2001, on Telecare in 2002, and Networking Magazine's cover story in 2006. Her op-ed on volunteerism appeared in Newsday during National Volunteer Week, 2012. A co-creator and chair of the Long Island Volunteer Hall of Fame, she has focused that on building one of the most important resources for any not-for-profit: skilled and well-trained volunteers.

– Garden City News Online

Key to JLLI's mission is training women to take effective action to better serve our community. If you know of a JLLI member making an impact in the community, please email info@jlli.org and let us know so we can feature the work our members are doing in the community at large.

In the Spotlight



LEADERSHIP TRANSFORMING

JL TRAINING 2016-2017

Member training is key to JLLI's mission.

In addition to on-the-job training our members get from serving in various League leadership roles, we seek to offer our members training opportunities throughout the year to better understand the needs of our community and how to take effective action to meet those needs.

Leadership Training

President Deidre Delay kicked things off in August with Leadership Training for all members holding leadership positions. The group learned more about how we run JLLI, including the financial responsibilities, the day-to-day management, and the unique opportunities offered by our all-volunteer workforce.

September 2017

First General Membership Meeting

Members attending the first General Membership Meeting of the year heard from Stan Carey from the Massapequa Water District who spoke to us about the LI Plume and the risks facing Long Island's water sources. We learned how this environmental and community issue affects neighborhoods throughout Long Island and how we can help.

AJLI Trainings

On top of JLLI training, we have sponsored several members' attendance at executive-level training courtesy of AJLI. Investment in training League members is an investment in our League that pays dividends to us and our community for years to come.

LEADERSHIP

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, you are a leader."



Fall Leadership Conference October 2016

President Deidre Jeanne and President Elect Caroline Tice made their way to the Windy City to participate in the Fall Leadership conference in Chicago, IL!!

Winter Leadership Conference February 2017

President Elect Caroline Tice and Finance Director Tracy Pfaff attended the Tampa Winter Leadership Conference in January and began setting the groundwork for the 2017-18 JLLI year.

San Antonio Texas



Organization Development Institute

In February, members Cristine Bruno, Loretta Hahn, Janet Kloss, Stephanie Mangels, Walky Rodriguez, and Kely Yeamans attended the Organization Development Institute training in San Antonio. The Junior League has 291 Leagues and 150,000 members spread across 4 countries including, Mexico and Canada. Surprisingly, the leagues range in sizes from 10 to 3,500+ members. Kely Yeamans, Stephanie Mangels, Walky Rodriguez, Cristine Bruno, Janet Closs, and Loretta Hahn arrived in San Antonio eager to learn and meet other Junior Leaguers. At this ODI the ladies attended plenaries in which: Susan Danish, AJLI Executive Director; JuWon Choi, AJLI Director of Learning; Vicki Clark, and Jeanie Travis, Member, JL of San Antonio presented. They could each attend one of the 6 concentration courses provided by The Association of Junior League International (AJLI): Achieving Community Impact, Building Internal Capacity,

Diversified Fund Development, Governing for Excellence, Marketing and Communications, and Membership Development. Over the course of the 3 days the ladies each spent hours attending these concentrations to further develop themselves and bring back their new knowledge to our league. Cristine when asked about her experience stated, "What I took away from the ODI is the major impact the AJLI has on its communities and the programs it provides. I also recognize the need to expand our league on Long Island and that we need more exposure about who we are and what we do in the communities we serve." Our ladies, also managed to soak up some local culture and history while in San Antonio by touring the Riverwalk, visiting the Alamo, and attending the San Antonio Rodeo. At the closing plenary Susan Danish and Vicki Clark had all the participants make paper airplanes with their names, email, leagues, and something that they had learned that they will do within the next 30 days. Everyone threw theirs in the air and picked up someone else's. As Vicki Clark said, "this exercise was so all of your ideas will soar." The girls have returned excited to share all that they learned and eager to continue working to make a difference in our communities!

La Famiglia

February Dinner

We hosted a packed house of Junior League members and friends for our February Dinner and General Membership Meeting at La Famiglia in Plainview. Representatives from EAC Network, The Safe Place LI, and Bethany House sat on a panel that discussed the needs of some of our most vulnerable neighbors, the way these amazing nonprofits address those needs, and how our members and other Long Islanders can support their work and volunteer in more impactful ways. We are so grateful to these three organizations for giving so generously of their time and knowledge and for their powerful testimony - there were few dry eyes in the house. Many thanks to our Membership/Training Director Monica Telese for making this panel possible and to Erica Rice and the arrangements committee for planning February dinner.





NEW MEMBERS MEET & GREET

From the moment we met our newest members at the Meet & Greet in August, we knew we had a great group coming in. The enthusiasm, dedication, and desire to learn and lead has been prevalent from day one.



JL SUPER SATURDAY



There was a great turn out for our annual Super Saturday Event in September where prospective members learned more about the League and becoming a League provisional member and heard directly from current members regarding their experiences.



PAINT NIGHT

The Provisional group along with some Board members had a great time at the provisional paint night in November. There are no blank canvasses in this group and our newest members come to JLLI with so much enthusiasm, talent, and kindness. We are very excited to welcome these new members into JLLI and look forward to working with them this year and for years to come!!





FIRST STEP

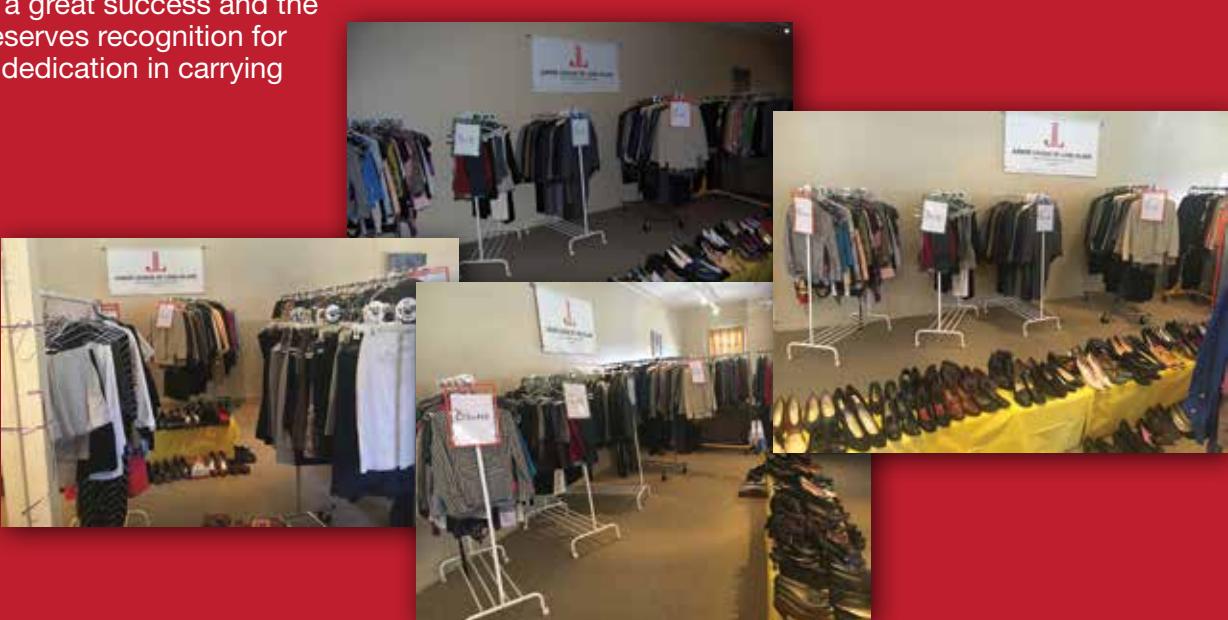


First Step was hosted by the Provisional Class of 2016 on Sunday March 5, 2017 at Headquarters. The event went splendidly under the leadership of Provisional Co-Leaders Carol Rodriguez and Jessica Semins. Together these hard working women coordinated with Momma's House to arrange for 15 young ladies in need to spend the day at Headquarters.

The day kicked off with a welcome speech and luncheon. This was followed by small group workshops where the women received training in reentering the workplace, handling personal finances, professional style, interview skills, and resume writing. Our Provisional class impressively found speakers to cover all of these topics. We were lucky enough to have "Little Lime Dress" founder Meaghan O'Connor attend and present. Ms. O'Connor also happens to be a stylist for actress Adrienne Moore from the hit show "Orange is the New Black."

After completing the scheduled workshops, our attendees were treated to a new outfit and some accessories to wear on their next job interview. Active member volunteers did a wonderful job helping women feel confident and select their outfits.

Overall the day was a great success and the Provisional Class deserves recognition for their hard work and dedication in carrying out First Step.



A LIFETIME OF JLLI SUSTAINING MEMBERS



LUNCHEON

The pot luck was followed by a Luncheon in December at Oheka Castle. Our Actives & Sustainers had a fabulous luncheon and tour on Wednesday through the historic, iconic, long island mansion-castle! Ladies in attendance enjoyed a wonderful lunch followed by an inside look at this historic castle!



POTLUCK

In November JLLI Sustainers kicked off their activities for the year by hosting a wonderful, and delicious, pot luck for all members! It was so much fun reminiscing about our League's history, talking about our future, seeing old friends, and meeting new ones.

BOOK CLUB

The latest resurrection of the JLLI Book Club celebrated a **one year anniversary** in October. Over the last year, we have read titles from a variety of genres. JLLI is a diverse group of women and the book club conversations only confirm that! While we don't all agree, there is something so "Junior League" and affirming about breaking bread, pouring wine, and talking about literature and life. Thank you to everyone who has participated in the last year. If you are interested in joining book club, or have a title you think we should consider, please email info@jlli.org. Happy reading!



BOARD RETREAT

On July 17, 2016, our 2016-2017 Board of Directors met for the annual Board retreat. Thanks to Monica Telese who hosted the event at her beautiful home, the Board laid the foundation for a great year. President Deidre Delay kicked off to a very promising, successful, fulfilling, and exciting year ahead!

WINE TOUR!



EAST END OF LONG ISLAND



President Deidre Delay, Sustainer Kandice Seitz, Sustainer Diana O'Neill, Membership Activities & Training Director Monica Telese were joined by a spirited group of attendees on July 23, 2016. Members and friends enjoyed an afternoon Wine & Dine Tour of some fabulous vineyards on the East End of Long Island. A private coach bus was provided and all the ladies and friends truly enjoyed an afternoon of camaraderie and good laughs!



NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

On September 27, 2016, JLLI joined the National Voter Registration Day campaign and registered Long Island voters. As a nonpartisan organization, we believe in empowering our communities to have a voice and that starts with speaking up and speaking out in local, state, and national elections. JLLI's efforts, together with 3,524 National Voter Registration Day partners across the United States, added 771,321 newly registered voters to the rolls.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL!



To celebrate the UN's 5th annual International Day of the Girl and to support the **Girl Possible** initiative, we asked some of our Junior League members how we can make #equality possible.

Equality is possible when...

- we educate, we include, and we empower
- we remember the past but look toward the future
- all women recognize the value in one another, no matter ethnicity, religion, or social background
- we invest in our girls and support their goals
- we stop judging each other
- our daughters grow up knowing a career in science, technology, engineering, or math is not just for boys
- love is the new currency

Tell us what you think. How can we make equality possible?



NYSPAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

In November, Public Affairs Committee Chair Lisette Peick went to Albany to discuss New York State legislative issues along with delegates from 11 other leagues from across NY State. Attendees heard from two great speakers on advocacy and community engagement and undertook the serious task of debating issues on the table and voting on which issue NYSPAC would pursue in the 2016-2017 advocacy year. Delegates voted to support legislation that prevents employers from asking prior salary in job interview and job applications. Prior salary information tends to negatively affect historically disadvantaged groups in ways that prevent them from ever catching up to their white male counterparts. JLLI joins NYSPAC in telling employers to "ask us what we're worth not what we were paid." We look forward to hearing more about the advancement of this issue in the legislative process and as NYSPAC delegates meet with their local representatives in Albany and advocate for change.



CHAMPIONS FOR CHARITY

Thank you to all that came out and supported The Junior League of Long Island at Tory Burch, Americana Manhasset in December! We had over 50 friends and members come and purchase their hearts out. With 25% of total purchases comes back to the League, we are excited! Special thanks to the staff, stylists, and store manager, Judi Marti at Tory Burch - your professionalism and service & support made the event a special one! It's fun events like these that are a win/win for everyone involved! We raised over \$3000 and look forward to doing it again next year. A special thank you to Communications Director Jennifer Livingston who brought this event back to JLLI and put the evening together from soup to nuts.





JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
LONG ISLAND

LEADERSHIP REIMAGINED

The Junior League of Long Island
1395 Old Northern Blvd.
Roslyn, New York 11576

Not-for-Profit
Bulk Rate
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 20
Roslyn, NY 11576