

**It's Your League,
Love it!**

2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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KATHY FLETCHER VICTORIAN

President, JLBR, 2016-2017

WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

The year 2016-17 afforded us opportunities to be BOLD & BRAVE and of course when an opportunity knocks, the Junior League answers. We answered with acts of kindness and LOVE. Civil unrest raised its ugly head in our community, but we managed to raise funds to continue to help families in spite of what was going on in our backyard. The Historic flood took a toll on all of us. Many of our loved ones and members lost everything, but we as a league did not lose the passion to continue to give of our time, talent and treasure. Our members and community were determined to **REBUILD** and **REFOCUS** while the league remain focused on our Mission, Vision & Values.

I sincerely took my theme to heart; **"It's Your League, Love it!"** So during the 2016-17 Junior League year, my goal was to make it a memorable one filled with celebration since we had reached our milestone "85th birthday"! We formed a new partnership with Woman's Hospital and took the dull, gray rooftop view from its Newborn and Infant Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and literally transformed it into an underwater fantasy. The garden provides a signature space for visitors to heal and find comfort in the power of art. Speaking of power, we used ours to strengthen partnerships. We hosted our first Power of An Open Mind Diversity Summit, which allowed us to step outside the league's comfort zone, helped us realize, as Stephen Covey stated, that "Strength Lies in Differences, not in Similarities."

We celebrated with the community, hosting an exhibition chronicling the history of our league from 1932 to present at the Louisiana Old Governor's Mansion. It featured photographs and mementos of various service projects, events, and fundraisers over the Junior League's 85-year history in Baton Rouge.

Many of our members participated in a dance performance celebrating 85 years of the Junior League. We took it back a few decades to the 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's 70's 80's, 90's and the songs told a story. The finale had us seeing red with Millennium runway red dress fashions. You truly are some strong & "Independent Women" of the modern 21st Century.

We accomplished a lot TOGETHER and I am elated to have served as president for the year 2016-17. It's Your League, Grow It! It's Your League, Support it! **It's Your League, LOVE IT!!**

Kathy F. Victorian

2016-2017 BOARD & EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Nominating Chair



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Theresa Jones
Recording Secretary



Leslie Berg
Sustaining Advisor



Lissa Weston
Honorary Presidential Sustaining Advisor

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Membership Vice President



Theresa Jones
Recording Secretary



Mary P. Woods
Nominating Chair



Patrice Thomas
Training Coordinator



Anita Bankston
Sustaining Advisor

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Junior League of Baton Rouge, Inc. are more diverse than ever with a common thread uniting us all - the opportunity to make Baton Rouge a better place. Our members are full-time professionals, stay-at-home moms, single, married, and from age 24 and beyond.

MEMBERS AT A GLANCE

- 464 Actives
- 91 Provisionals
- 1155 Sustaining
- 1710 Total**

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- **84%** of the JLBR members have professional careers
 - **62%** work more than 40 hours a week in their jobs
 - **92%** are college graduates
 - **74%** volunteer with organizations outside of JLBR
 - **57%** hold board or leadership positions in other volunteer organizations

SUSTAINER OF THE YEAR | Tanja Foil

NITA SIMMS BREAZEALE AWARD | Jessica O'Connor

MARY FREY EATON AWARD | Joy Blanchard

G.E.M. AWARD | Kelli Bozeman



SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Making up more than half of our membership, the 1155 Sustaining Members of the Junior League of Baton Rouge are a vital resource. These women serve as mentors, advisors, teachers and friends to the Active and Provisional members and also serve the community as trained volunteers.

SUSTAINING ADVISORS

Anita Bankston | Executive Management Sustaining Advisor
Susan Bankston | Diaper Bank Sustaining Advisor
Leslie Berg | Board of Directors Sustaining Advisor
Robin Bonnette | Placement Committee Sustaining Advisor
Leslie Campbell | Patient Activity Days Committee Sustaining Advisor
Audra Collett | Research & Development Committee Sustaining Advisor
Sandra Cox | Hollydays Sustaining Advisor
Melissa DeGeneres | Ways & Means Sustaining Advisor
Sara Margaret Downing | Fund Development Council Sustaining Advisor
Betsy Edwards | Provisional Advisors Committee Sustaining Advisor
Megan Foco | Placement Committee Sustaining Advisor
Catherine Giering | Breast Health Awareness Committee Sustaining Advisor
Charlene Guarisco Montelaro | Donor Relations Committee Sustaining Advisor
Cupid Hart-James | Sustaining Members Relations Committee Sustaining Advisor
Danna Hodges | Provisional Advisors Committee Sustaining Advisor



Kathleen Howell | Marketing & Communications Council Sustaining Advisor
Rose Hudson | Financial Council Sustaining Advisor
Kristen Landry | Kitchen Tours Sustaining Advisor
Lisa Ann Moore | Membership Council Sustaining Advisor
Cheryl Payne | RRR Sustaining Advisor
Patricia Poche' | The Little Bookshelf Committee Sustaining Advisor
Julie Rollins | Endowment Committee Sustaining Advisor
Caroline Ross | Community Council Sustaining Advisor
Shelia Sterling | Nominating Committee Sustaining Advisor
Gina Tharp | Advisory Planning Committee Sustaining Advisor
Krista Valluzzo | Ready Hands Sustaining Advisor
Erin Monroe Wesley | Diversity and Cultural Inclusion Committee Sustaining Advisor
Lissa Weston | Honorary Presidential Sustaining Advisor
Anne Williams | Community Project Coordinator Sustaining Advisor

PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

The 91 members of the 85th provisional class of the Junior League of Baton Rouge were guided through their provisional experience in the League by Active Members who serve as provisional advisors. Highlights from the 2016-17 League year include the following:

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Each provisional served on a community project committee to learn how projects work, echoing the work of actives placed on similar committees, but on a smaller scale. This year the projects included Ready Hands, Fest for All, and Patient Activity Days.

BUILD A BETTER BATON ROUGE DAY

Provisionals received information from Catholic Charities Refugee and Immigration Services Director of Refugee Resettlement, Lisa Lee, regarding their services and impact on our community. Provisionals assembled bicycles to donate to the Catholic Charities program to be provided to clients in need of transportation.

PROVISIONAL MEETINGS

Provisionals were educated on all aspects of the inner workings of the League, including presentations by each of the League's five councils and four fundraisers.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

Made up of a diverse group of Baton Rouge leaders, we count on the Community Advisory Board's expertise and perspective to provide us with direction regarding our community's needs and where League efforts might have the greatest impact. Community Advisory Board meetings are conducted in a format that provokes discussion and sound, useful advice from our impressive members.

2016-17 COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

This year our CAB members are utilized as consultants on future projects and outreach and helped us narrow our research for our impact area.

Mr. Scott Berg | Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry

Mr. Marvin Borgmeyer

Chief Carl R. Dabadie, Jr. | BRPD, Chief's Office

Mrs. Doris G. Brown | LDH/Office of Public Health

Mrs. Staci Duhé

Mrs. Courtney de la Bretonne Hart | Whitney Bank

Mr. Scott Hensgens | Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, LLP

District Attorney Hillar Moore III | East Baton Rouge District Attorney

Mr. Robert Pettit | Waters and Pettit

Ms. Christy Reeves | Regional Development Director, Single Stop

Mrs. Kate Grant Seba | Junior League of Baton Rouge

Ms. Kathy Simoneaux | Acadian House Kitchen and Bath

Mrs. Elizabeth "Boo" Thomas | Center for Planning Excellence

Mr. Michael Tipton | President, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of LA Foundation

Mr. Christopher J. Tyson | LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center

Mrs. Whitney Vann | WBRZ-TV

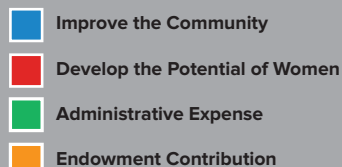
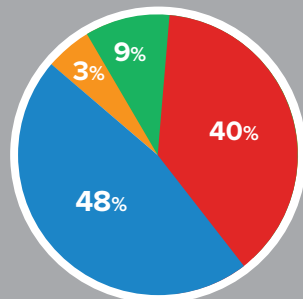
BUSINESS REPORT

Year	Improve the Community	Develop the Potential of Women	Endowment Contribution	Administrative Expense	TOTAL
2017	\$370,303	\$303,253	\$23,496	\$68,187	\$765,239
2016	\$286,073	\$262,129	\$19,399	\$56,743	\$624,344
2017	48%	40%	3%	9%	100%
2016	46%	42%	3%	9%	100%

Cash & Investments	\$ 1,824,395	Total Current Liabilities	\$ 356,162
Inventories	\$ 103,674	Net Assets	\$ 3,772,231
Other Assets	\$ 41,644		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 1,969,713	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 4,128,393
Property	\$ 198,713		
Total Investments & Pledges	\$ 1,960,549		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,128,393		

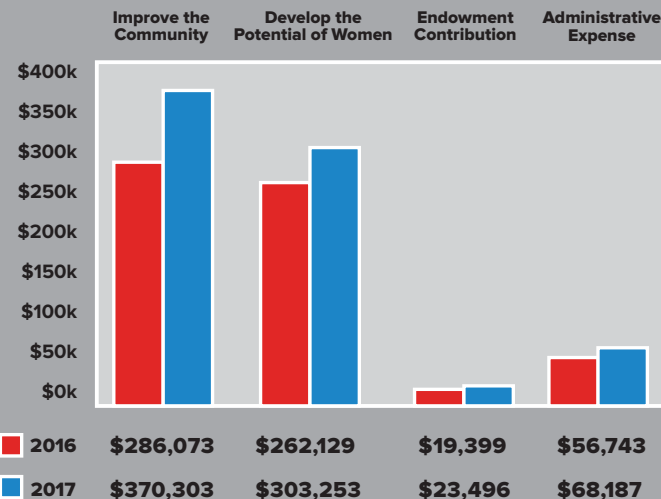
COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

2016-2017 ALLOCATIONS



Total Expenses **\$765,239**

CONNECTING THE MONEY TO THE MISSION



COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND

Since 1980, the Junior League of Baton Rouge's Community Assistance Fund has provided funding for community nonprofits with specific, short-term monetary needs. To date, the Community Assistance Fund has distributed more than **\$909,000** to worthy organizations.

2016-17 TOTAL:
\$69,900

Anna Grace Foundation | 2,500

Baton Rouge Food Bank | 2,500

BR Ballet Theatre | 2,500

BR Blues Foundation | 2,500

BR Emergency Aid | 2,500

BR Youth Coalition | 2,500

Capital Area CASA Assoc. | 2,500

Community Christ Food Bank | 550

EBR Council on Aging | 2,500

Emerge Center | 2,500

Glasgow Middle Yearbook Staff | 2,500

Habitat for Humanity | 2,500

Jess' Bra Closet | 2,500

Knock Knock Children's Museum | 2,500

Koi Lee Charities | 2,500

LA Art & Science Museum | 2,500

LA Pediatric Cardiology Foundation | 2,400

LA Women In Ministry | 2,000

New Venture Theatre | 700

Of Moving Colors | 2,500

PREACH | 2,500

Prevent Child Abuse LA | 1,330

Red Cross | 5,000

Salvation Army | 2,500

Southern University Alumni Foundation | 1,000

STAR | 1,320

Swine Palace | 2,500

The Ivy Foundation | 1,100

Theatre Baton Rouge | 2,500

Volunteers in Public Schools | 2,000

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

OUR VISION IN ACTION!

Our slate of Community Projects is focused on carrying out our vision to improve the Baton Rouge Community in the areas of health, education and cultural development.

BREAST HEALTH AWARENESS | SUSAN G. KOMEN FOUNDATION

Saving the lives of East Baton Rouge residents by providing breast health information to the public. The Susan G. Komen foundation in our community taught League volunteers presentation skills and gave them the tools and opportunities to speak to various groups such as churches, workplace groups, civic organizations, and student organizations.

BUILDING BLOCKS FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE | YMCA

Focusing on safety, health, social and cultural growth, and academic success for Pre-K and Kindergarten students in after-school programs. The YMCA provides after school care to nearly 15,000 youth from 16 area schools, Monday-Friday during the school year. League volunteers worked alongside YMCA staff to implement programming for approximately 22 children at Broadmoor Elementary. Twice a month on "Friday Fun Days", League volunteers facilitated hands-on arts and crafts, as well as learning about healthy food and exercise.

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BATON ROUGE DIAPER CO-OP

Ensuring every baby can be clean, dry and healthy. Unfortunately, diapers are one of the few items not covered by WIC or Food Stamps, making it extremely difficult for low-income families to provide their children with this basic necessity. Babies without access to clean diapers suffer from painful diaper rashes and UTIs, and diseases like Hepatitis A are spread more easily. The Diaper Co-op has held a series of successful diaper drives, providing diapers to thousands of needy families in our community, and distributing over 300,000 diapers after the August 2016 flooding.

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

Fighting the youth obesity epidemic through education. League volunteers led demonstrations focusing on healthy meal and snack preparation, using ingredients accessible and realistic to create a truly healthy and balanced snack or meal by partnering with The Little Bookshelf, Building Blocks for a Brighter Futures, the Iris Domestic Violence Center, YMCA, Young Chefs Academy, and The Parker House.

THE LITTLE BOOKSHELF | LSU AGCENTER

Bringing the joy of books to newborns and their parents. This LSU AgCenter program focuses on encouraging literacy within low-income families by providing books to parents with newborns and StoryTime at the Burden Museum and Gardens. League volunteers prepare book bags for monthly deliveries to the local WIC office and prepare crafts related to the story being read at StoryTime.

PATIENT ACTIVITY DAYS | OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Bringing smiles to hospitalized children through the arts, and bridging Patient Activity Days to the Family Resource Center. By offering an entertaining distraction through the healing process, OLOL hopes to improve the health of the child who is hospitalized and enrich the entire family's hospital experience with the help of League volunteers. In addition to providing the traditional Patient Activity Days activities, music, art, literature, dramatic play, and playroom activities, League volunteers performed puppet shows, utilized the Welcome Wagon, and provided one-on-one attention to the patients unable to leave their rooms and participate in the playroom.

READY HANDS

Enhancing Baton Rouge through immediate volunteer support. Working with local community partners, League volunteers responded to the short-term, immediate needs of the Baton Rouge community as they arose throughout the year.

HOLLYDAYS

With the August 2016 flood occurring six weeks prior to Hollydays, the Hollydays committee was able to overcome many unforeseen challenges and put on a successful market. New in 2016 was the Lee Michaels Diamond Ticket, which included two tickets to all special events, access to a VIP lounge, and a chance to win a pair of diamond earrings. Blitzen's Bash Preview Gala, Girls Night Out, Vixen & Vino Wine Tasting, and Brunch with Santa returned as special events. Thanks to the addition of online bidding, the Blitzen's Bash silent auction was the highest grossing auction ever.



The Junior League of Baton Rouge Presents

HOLLYDAYS

SHOPPING FOR A CAUSE

BENEFACTORS

GOLD UNDERWRITER (\$50,000 - \$74,999)

The River Center

SILVER UNDERWRITER (\$25,000 - \$49,000)

961 The River

Cox

EMS of Baton Rouge

Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry

The Advocate

Whiddon & Associates II, LLC

UNDERWRITER (\$15,000 - \$24,999)

Classic Hits 103.3

Lamar Advertising

Mercedes Benz of Baton Rouge

Superior Bar & Grill

WAFB-TV

WBZ

Sign Express

Sullivan's Steakhouse

BENEFACTOR (\$10,000 - \$14,999)

Icehouse Bar & Grill

Investor Bank

PATRON (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Area Wholesale Tire

Creative Video Productions

Event Delivered

Guaranty Media

Jeannie Frey Rhodes Photography

Kendra Scott

Lisa Barona McRoberts

Mason's Grill

PODS/Nola Portable Storage, LLC

The Dermatology Clinic & Cosmetic Center

Town Favorites Magazine

Xdesign

SPONSOR (\$2,500 - \$4,999)

225 & inRegister Magazine

Acadian House Kitchen & Bath

Adler's

ARC 2, LLC

Baton Rouge Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport

Belle of Baton Rouge Casino and Hotel

Blumberg and Associates, Inc

Digilio Brothers Restaurant

Entergy

Frige Orthodontics

Nugent Steel & Supply Company

Olive or Twist

Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers

Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort

Table Kitchen and Bar

The Audubon Group at Morgan Stanley

The Varsity Theatre

Thee Heavenly Donut

Tin Roof Brewery

CONTRIBUTOR (\$1,000 - \$2,499)

Backyard Adventures

AAA Rent-All

Baton Rouge Parents Magazine

Beausoleil Restaurant and Bar

Benjamin & Candace Lowe

Bergeron's City Market

Bet-R-Store

Billy Heroman's Flowerland, Inc.

Blend

Community Coffee

Concrete Design Solutions

Court Street Cafe

Cracker Barrel

Crowne Plaza

Dixon Smith Interiors

Elizabeth and Fred Laborde

Fertility Answers

FITT

Five Seasons

Haynie & Associates

Herman Miller

Hibernia Wealth Management

-Paul Saltaformaggio

Jani-King

Jones Walker LLP

Junior League of Baton Rouge

Kean's Fine Dry Cleaning

Kiki

KLS Services

La 1 South LLC

Lamendola Dentistry

Lanix Insurance Agency

Lava Cantina Baton Rouge

Mark Culotta's Landscaping Services

Matherne's Supermarket

McMillin Interiors

Methanex

Mint Home, Art. Shoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Maddox

NNS Investments, LLC

Oak Grove Hunting Club

Our Lady of the Lake Physician Group

Pam Westbrook

Priscilla Taylor

Quixote Productions

Red River Bank

Robert's Fresh Market

Robin Cook

Roux 61

Sammy's Grill Catering

SEMS, Inc.

-Mark and Kim Morgan

Soho Boutique

Stuart & Teal Gray

The Baton Rouge Clinic

The Royal Standard

Third Coast Blue Water Outfitters

-Captain Richard Creed

Tommy and Renee's Skinner

Triton Stone Group of Baton Rouge

Walk On's

Workplace Resource

Z Aesthetic Dermatology

DONOR (\$500 - \$999)

Adria Reese

Barker's Antique Jewelry, Inc.

Bennett's Water Ski & Wakeboard School

Bevo Gas & Electric Lights

Brandon Hall Plantation

Capital City Produce

Carriages Fine Clothiers

Cheap & Easy Handyman Services

Crump Wilson Architects

Dr. David Bulot

Dugas Pest Control

Emily Monroe Godfrey Fine Art

Enterprise

Forte Grove Bakery

Galatoire's Bistro

Gourmet Girls

Haspel

Heather Conn

Helen Bolin Designs

Kolache Kitchen

LA Lobsters

Laura W. Taylor Art

Lauren Young Downing

Le Meridien - New Orleans

Maggie Cafe

Matt Watson

Michael and Lindsay Brassett

Nothing Bundt Cakes

Olinde's Furniture

Pixure Booth Photo Booth

Riverview Development

Rock n' Pops

Scott Distefano Designs

Sheryle Bonin

Stone - Baton Rouge

The Backpacker

The Gallery Salon

Uncle Earl's

ZaZa Nail Boutique

SUPPORTER (\$250 - \$499)

Acadian Frame & Art

Air Blow Dry Bar & Salon

Ann Connolly Fine Art

Anne McCannless Designs

Après

Aria

Associates in Plastic Surgery

-Dr. Andrew C. Freil

Black Castle Vineyard

by Dr. Edward Schwartzburg

Bowie Outfitters

Capital City Tents, LLC

City Park Hospitality Group

Copper Mill

Custom Linens

Dee Keller

Dr. Ryan Perry

Eli Manning

Ellen Anderson

En Masse Ponies

Evolve Studio

Eye Wander Photo

Friends of the Capital Park Museum

Holly Grace Studios

Hotel Indigo

Interstate All Battery Center

Jen Schmickle

Jenn Ocken Photography

Kona Grill

LD Linens & Decor

Louisiana CAT

Louisiana Laserdorm

Louisiana Women's Aesthetics

Moncrest's Fine Woodworking

NK Boutique

Norma Killgore

Paper N Things

Petz Plaza

Precision Firearms

Robin Bonnette

Sky Zone Trampoline Park

Sweet Ideas

The Overpass Merchant

Tread BR

Two Lumps of Sugar

Vanishing Heirlooms Antiques & Vintage Jewelry

Victoria's Toy Station

Vital Assist

Yogo Yoga

FRIEND (\$100 - \$249)

Ability Massage & Day Spa

Aimee Supp

Audubon Nature Institute

Baby Bump Maternity

Barre3

Bath Junkie

Baton Rouge Zoo

Bella Bella

Benny's Car Wash

Bistro Byronz

Brown & Brown Custom Clothiers

Classic Jewelers

Coach Les Miles

Coach Paul Mainieri

Cool Brew Coffee

-by New Orleans Coffee Company

Crawfish Aquatics

Currie

Derek Guillot

Edit by LBP

Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Flip Flop Shop

Guarantee Girls, Inc

Head Over Heels

Hilton Baton Rouge Capital Center

Houmas House Plantation

Izzo's Illegal Burrito

Kim Veller

Kinnucan's

Kleinpeter Dairy

Kristy Gary

Lance Hayes Flowers

Lauren Tassin

Louisiana Nursery Home & Garden

Massage Envy Citipace

Mana Culture

Mercer Studio

Mignon Faget

Monochrome

Not Your Momma's Café & Tavern

Ochsner Health System-Baton Rouge

Oh Pair

Opulent Metals

Orvis

Painting with a Twist

Porter Lyons

Quinn Alexandra Photography

R&A Oysters

Richland Equipment

Rigsby Fredrick Salon & Gallery

Seasons To Taste

Simone Nugent

The Bar Method

The Big Squeeze

Tony's Seafood

Trader Joe's

Two Blondes

Varsity Sports

Zoe's Kitchen

UNDER \$99

Banbury Cross

Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre

Christian Street Furniture

Costco

Daryl & Sons Custom Framing & Gallery

Fleet Feet Sports

Francesca's Perkins Rowe

FRG - Finally Restaurant Group

Frock Candy

Little Gym

Manship Theatre

Mary Lee's

Mary Lee's Donuts-Drusilla Location

Monogram It

Oh Baby!

Olly-Olly, LLC

Panera Bread

RIVER ROAD RECIPES

River Road Recipes continues its legacy of being the all time #1 best selling community cookbook series in the nation. For the first time in the cookbook's history, three cookbooks, River Road Recipes I, II, and III, were reprinted during a single League year. River Road Recipes I celebrated its 80th reprinting. River Road Recipes III: A Healthy Collection was revamped with a new hardcover with inbound wire to make it consistent with RRR I and II. The section pages were also updated with artwork by local artist Lauren Bellone.

Throughout the year, the committee attended several events, including the Red Stick Farmers' Market, a Christmas market at Nottoway Plantation, the Louisiana Book Fair, Alexander's Market, Jolly Jingles Market in Hammond, and of course, Hollydays. In the fall, Galatoire's Bistro hosted a "Give Back to River Road Recipes" evening, where a portion of proceeds was donated to the League, and in the spring, the RRR committee hosted a luncheon at Galatoire's Bistro to honor the RRR past chairwomen.



KITCHEN TOURS

On Sunday, April 2, 2017, over 200 guests participated in the fourth annual Kitchen Tours, which is a self-guided tour of six well-appointed kitchens in the Baton Rouge area showcasing both new construction and recently renovated kitchens. This year, the committee focused on increasing community awareness about the event to increase ticket sales and sponsorships. They also enhanced the VIP experience to provide a best in class experience for guests. The VIP tickets included brunch and a cooking demonstration by Chef Celeste (sponsored by Acadian House Kitchen & Bath Studio), a champagne and wine limo bus tour of 6 beautiful kitchens, a mid-way stop at our presenting sponsor, STONE, showroom for additional snacks and beverages, and raffle prizes and gift bags just for VIP attendees. The VIP experience sold out for the first time.



SPONSORS AND DONORS

STONE	\$2,500	Wolf Harris	\$1,000
Acadian House Kitchen & Bath Design	\$2,000	Anne McCanless Designs	\$500
Holly Harrison Interiors	\$1,000	M&M Glass Company	\$500
Locations Real Estate	\$1,000		

TOUCH A TRUCK! TOOT, TOOT! BEEP, BEEP!

The most anticipated children's event from 2016 rolled back into Baton Rouge on Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. The Second Annual Touch A Truck was one for the books, providing opportunities for kids of all ages to experience HANDS ON WITH REAL TRUCKS! Junior League of Baton Rouge welcomed over 2500 guests, who received an exceptional hands-on experience, with vehicles of all types—construction, public service, emergency, utility, landscaping, transportation, delivery, and more! The children were able to interact with their favorite vehicles, learn about the importance of safety, and meet the men and women who serve and protect our communities. The Touch A Truck Committee kicked the day off with a ribbon cutting with Mayor Sharon Weston Broome and District Attorney Hillar Moore, followed by Silent Hour at 9:00 am for our friends who are sensitive to noise and light. At 10:00 am, the horns began honking and we were off to another hugely successful event for Junior League of Baton Rouge!

In addition to touching trucks, children and their families excavated in the Dig Zone, experienced a variety of health, safety and fitness demonstrations, enjoyed a marching band and learned about and interacted with farm animals! Junior League of Baton Rouge also showcased what we do best—serve the community! Our Community Projects joined in on the fun by providing entertainment, crafts and information to our guests regarding the impact that is being made throughout our community through each project.

Through this kid-friendly event, Junior League of Baton Rouge raised almost **\$29,000**, all while having a "wheelie" great time!

2017 EXHIBITORS & SPONSORS

Acadian Ambulance Services
Ace Enterprises, Inc
All Star Catering
Angelle Materials
BR Coca Cola Bottling Company
BR Police Department
Bayou Tree Service
BREC
Brenntag Southwest, Inc.
Cajun Ready Mix Concrete LLC
Canadian National Railway's Little Obie
Classic Hits 103.3
Coastal Bridge Company, LLC
Community Coffee Company
Cortana Kiwanis
David Vincent Martial Arts
Deep South Crane & Rigging

Doggett Machinery
LA Dept. of Transportation & Development
Doyle Electric, LLC
EBR District Attorney's Office
EBR Department of Maintenance
EBR Department of Public Works
EBR Parish Sheriff's Office
EBR Parish Library
Edgerton Construction
Entergy
Federal Bureau of Investigation
G.E.C., Inc.
Gerry Lane Enterprises
Gilchrist Construction
Guarantee Restoration Services
Jason & Marlene DeCuir
Louisiana CAT

Lamar Advertising
Law Office of Sarah Tovar
Leroy's Lip Smack'n Lemonade
Lexlee's Kids
Louisiana State Police
LSU Volleyball Team
McGlinchey Stafford
Mercedes-Benz of BR
Mosquito Shield
NRK Construction, LLC
OLOL Childrens Hospital
Park Forest Middle School
Patient Plus Urgent Care
Petz Plaza
PODS
Priscilla Taylor Photography
Pro Sold Realty

Providence
Quality Concrete Group
Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers
Red Barn Farm Tours
Roy's Ice
Ryan, LLC
Saunders & Chabert
Service Radio Rentals, LLC
St. George Fire Department
St. James Episcopal Day School
Studio Gray
Sunshine Quality Solutions
Stuart & Teal Gray
Tiffany Palmer
Two Men & A Truck Baton Rouge
Victoria's Toy Station
Wampold Companies



GIFTS TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND

The Junior League of Baton Rouge Endowment Fund was established in 1999 to create a constant base of funding, independent of fundraisers, that would generate interest to be used to offset administrative costs in the future and allow for multi-year budgeting. The Endowment Fund is managed by the Baton Rouge Area Foundation, who implements a disciplined approach of investing to ensure constant growth in the Fund. We look to the Endowment Fund to sustain the future of the League financially. A contribution to the Endowment Fund is a contribution to the future of women, children and community culture of the Greater Baton Rouge area. Through the generosity of League members and our community, our Endowment Fund received over **\$17,445** in contributions and gifts during the 2016-2017 League year.



ENDOWMENT FUND
LEADERS, LEGENDS AND LEGACIES
JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BATON ROUGE, INC.

2016-2017 CLUB 900 DONORS - NEW MEMBERS

Club 900, which began in 2010, is a group of members who support the Mission of the League through a financial commitment that spans their entire active years in the Junior League of Baton Rouge. Each new member class is invited to join Club 900 during their Provisional year. To be inducted into Club 900, members pledge \$100 a year for their nine year active membership in the League.

NEW CLUB 900 MEMBERS FOR 2016-2017

Adkins, Kwame	Cullins, Leah	Greenhouse, Ashley	West, Michelle
Barnes, Damona	Curtis, Melissa	Haneline, Sarah	Youngblood, Ta-Tanisha
Cambre, Amy	Domingue, Gina	Jupiter, Kimberly	
Charles-Comminey, Toyia	Fazio, Danielle	Richardson, Holly	

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EMBRACING ESTUARY

In October 2016, the League membership voted to approve a partnership with Woman's Hospital which allowed the two organizations to collaborate on a unique project at the hospital. The project, "Embracing Estuary", is a rooftop garden that provides visitors and guests of the hospital with educational displays that develop engagement and learning while representing some of the iconic flora and fauna of our great state.

Long term visitors of the hospital, who are often experiencing difficult and challenging times in their lives, have been looking out over a cement rooftop. "Embracing Estuary" provides a rooftop art installation as well as a special place for visitors to heal and be comforted through the power of art. The installation--created by artist Joel Breaux, Stephanie Landry and Clark Derbes with creative consultants WHLC Architecture. Milton J. Womack Contractors, Raina Wirta and Melisa Rad--is located near the third-floor NICU at Woman's. The artwork celebrates our coastal region and Louisiana wildlife diversity and is designed to ease the stress of families in an intense medical setting. The League is prominently featured in this area, and Woman's provides small favors, which includes a wooden puzzle of the creatures featured in the display as well as literature about the League, to families staying in this area.



DIVERSITY SUMMIT

On April 6, 2017, the League's Diversity and Cultural Inclusion (DCI) committee planned and hosted its inaugural summit at the BREC Independence Park Theatre. The summit's theme: The Power of an Open Mind, was brought to life by bringing the Baton Rouge community together to promote positive and progressive conversations on issues that divide us. We took the first step in educating our community that we are more alike than different and all it takes is an open mind to bring about unity and change. Dr. Katrice Albert, NCAA, Executive Vice President of Inclusion and Human Resources, served as our keynote speaker.

PANEL INCLUDED:

- **Raymond Jetson**, President & CEO, MetroMorphosis and Pastor, Star Hill Church
- **Karie Holton**, LGBTQ Graduate Project Coordinator, LSU Office of Multicultural Affairs
- **Robyn Merrick**, Alumni Affairs, Executive Associate to the President-Chancellor, Southern University System
- **Emad Nofal**, Board of Directors, Islamic Center of Baton Rouge
- **Elizabeth "Boo" Thomas**, President & CEO, Center for Planning Excellence
- **Hebert Anny**, Baton Rouge Police Department

Wesley, Sustaining Advisor to the DCI Committee, served as the facilitator. Over 100 guests, from the League as well as the general public, were in attendance and provided effective and authentic feedback.



85TH ANNIVERSARY

Unlike some anniversary celebrations that only last for a single day, the Junior League of Baton Rouge celebrated its 85th Anniversary all year long. Using this time to honor our League's legacy in the Baton Rouge community, reminders of our League's achievements were present throughout the year. The League's rich history was infused at many League functions and were highlighted to the community at large with an exhibit at the Old Governor's Mansion.

The year's anniversary commemoration culminated on Saturday, March 18, 2017 with a celebration at The Varsity Theatre. With Past President Donna Saurage and Whitney Vann serving as emcees, the evening began with a video of past presidents discussing the League's accomplishments over the past 85 years. What followed was an entertaining performance that highlighted the League's history with active, sustaining and even new members dancing through the decades. The highlight of the evening was the grand finale featuring a dance duet of President Kathy Victorian and Leonard Augustus, surrounded by all of the performers dressed in red.







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OUR MISSION

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.

OUR VISION

Women As Catalysts For Lasting Community Change

OUR VALUES

- **OUR MEMBERSHIP** embraces commitment and acts with integrity to do what is right.
- **EMBRACE COMMITMENT** – We go the extra mile. We honor our commitments. We're efficient, effective, and organized.
- **ACT WITH INTEGRITY** – We are professional. We are trustworthy. We are dependable.
- **OUR COMMUNITY** deserves compassionate service and thoughtful collaboration.
- **COMPASSIONATE SERVICE** – We are caring. We are approachable. We are open.
- **THOUGHTFUL COLLABORATION** – We are strategic. We are purposeful. We are smart.
- **OUR CULTURE** fosters strategic training and innovative leadership.
- **STRATEGIC TRAINING** – We are willing to ask why. We are willing to ask how. We want to make ourselves better.
- **INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP** – We are open to growth. We are willing to take risks. We are courageous.

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION STATEMENT

The Junior League of Baton Rouge welcomes all women who value our Mission. We are committed to inclusive environments of diverse individuals, organizations and communities.



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