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LEAGUE CHATT

Junior League of Chattanooga

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MISSION

Women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

PURPOSE

Empowering Chattanooga Women through Leadership Training and Development to take Action in their Communities.

VISION

Women as catalysts for lasting community change.

COMMITMENT

Junior League of Chattanooga, Inc. reaches out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

On behalf of Junior League of Chattanooga (JLC), welcome to our League!

My name is Callie Burnette, and I am honored to serve as President of JLC in our 105th year. Through this edition of League Chatt, I hope you will learn more about us and all that makes Junior League of Chattanooga unique and essential to our Chattanooga community.

Since 1917, Junior League of Chattanooga members have impacted our community through volunteer action and civic leadership. JLC is an “army of women” within our community, with a mission and significant history of serving the Chattanooga community through forming partnerships, developing programs, and raising funds for various community initiatives, including family and children's services, advancements for people with disabilities, public health, community arts, food deserts, and our current community initiative, A *League of Learners*. A *League of Learners* supports Hamilton County schools, teachers, children, and adults through funding for special projects and partnerships with other local organizations to provide an active volunteer base.

As new community needs have arisen through the years, Junior League of Chattanooga members have sprung into action and adapted, serving our community at the forefront, and collaborating with community partners for effective change. Junior League of Chattanooga members carry both the tangible and intangible leadership skills they develop through their years of service in JLC into service with a multitude of non-profit organizations and boards in our community. As it has since 1917, Junior League of Chattanooga programming and training has a uniquely significant and widespread impact in Chattanooga.

We invite you to join our essential work in the Chattanooga community—whether by becoming a member, or supporting our programming. As Junior League of Chattanooga begins our 105th year, we look forward to all this year has to offer! JLC will continue serving our community partners through our A *League of Learners* initiative, host our Touch-A-Truck and League on the Links community fundraisers, and facilitate important Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging and leadership training for our membership.

I am humbled and grateful to serve alongside our terrific membership, Executive Board, and community partners, and I look forward to an exciting year!

Yours in service,

Callie Burnette

President, 2022-2023

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Meet the 2022-2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Summer Snapshots

Our programs don't stop just because school is out! See some of the fun activities our members got up to this summer.

Above: Current President Callie Burnette and President-Elect Mikaya Knight attended the Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI) Annual Meeting in Dallas.

Top: Member Sloan Reid placed in the Top 6 finalists at the Mrs. American Competition in Las Vegas, NV. Bottom: Past Presidents of JLC gathered for dinner.

EXPLORE, CLIMB, AND TOUCH!

Saturday, November 12, 2022
9:00am - 1:00pm
Purchase your tickets today!

TOUCH a TRUCK
2022
JUNIOR LEAGUE OF CHATTANOOGA

WHEN?
Saturday, November 12, 2022
9:00am - 1:00pm
(Quiet hour: 9:00am-10:00am)
WHERE?
Warner Park
301 N Holtzclaw Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37404
TICKETS?
$5 PER PERSON | $20 FOR FAMILIES 4+
CHILDREN UNDER 3 ARE FREE!
Purchase your tickets at touchatruckchatt.com*

IT'S BACK!

Put your imagination into high gear!
Touch-a-Truck Chattanooga is a **family-friendly, hands-on event** that offers opportunities for children to **EXPLORE, CLIMB, and TOUCH** trucks of all kinds, including emergency response vehicles, heavy machinery, and other types of equipment. Children will also have the opportunity to **meet the personnel** who protect, serve, and work in our community.

Learning will come alive for them as they learn how these gigantic vehicles are connected to our Tennessee economy and careers like farming, manufacturing, construction, and public service.

Quiet hour will be from 9AM-10AM for those who are more sensitive to noise and flashing lights.

Families will enjoy food trucks, face painting, local vendors, and more!

**Tickets can also be purchased at the gate on the day of the event*

UPCOMING EVENTS

TAILGATE WITH JLC AT FIVE WITS BREWING

WHEN

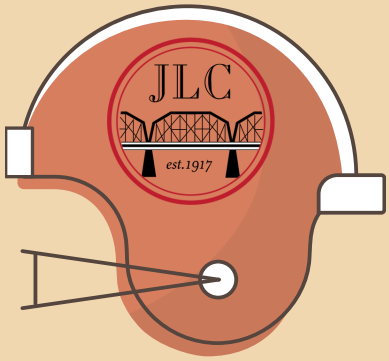
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 6-8PM

WHERE

FIVE WITS BREWING COMPANY
1501 LONG STREET, CHATTANOOGA, TN

COME SOCIALIZE AND LEARN MORE ABOUT JLC! OPEN TO ALL CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS (PLUS PETS).

CONTACT ***RECRUITMENT@JLCHATT.ORG*** *TO RSVP AND LEARN MORE*



AND DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR TEAM GEAR!

GIVE BACK TO JLC AT URBAN STACK

Tuesday, October 13th

Dine in (or carry out!) at Urban Stack (12 W 13th Street) on **October 13 anytime between 11am-10pm** and mention JLC! 10% of the proceeds will go back to us at Junior League of Chattanooga. We encourage you to schedule your monthly Supper Club meeting this date, or grab a bite to eat and drink with your family or friends. Urban Stack will take call-ahead reservations. Limited reservations are on our JLC calendar. We hope to see you there!

See all of our upcoming events on our Facebook page! facebook.com/JLChattanooga

JLC at the Lookouts

JOIN JLC TO CHEER ON THE LOOKOUTS AS THEIR COMMUNITY PARTNER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
7:15PM
AT&T FIELD

JOIN JLC MEMBERS AT THE SEPTEMBER 15TH LOOKOUTS GAME AGAINST THE TENNESSEE SMOKIES! AS A THANK YOU FOR OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP, THE LOOKOUTS ARE PROVIDING US WITH DISCOUNTED TICKETS TO THE GAME FOR JLC MEMBERS!* SEE YOU THERE!

*MEMBERS, PLEASE CHECK YOUR WEEKLY EMAILS FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS.
CONTACT MARKETING@JLCHATT.ORG WITH ANY QUESTIONS

GARDEN Club

We asked Ouida Bianco, JLC Sustainer and Garden Club Past President, more about one of Junior League of Chattanooga's most cherished traditions. To learn more, contact juniorleague@jlchatt.org

What is the Garden Club and what is its relationship to Junior League of Chattanooga?

The Garden Club is a group of members of JLC that sponsors programs in an effort to support the Junior League of Chattanooga. We encourage the League to keep us informed of their initiatives, thus engaging us in their focus. Many of our meetings are held at nonprofit organizations in and around Chattanooga that hold a special meaning to the Junior League. We continue to support such organizations through our financial contributions, which are made at the time of the meeting or shortly thereafter.

In what types of activities do members of the Garden Club participate?

The club has eight meetings per year, that are held during the months of September through May each third Wednesday of the month (with the exception of December, when Garden Club members are encouraged to attend the Sustainer Luncheon). Each active member is encouraged to attend all meetings, but must attend at least four meetings annually to remain in good standing. Each meeting offers members a program ranging from gardening and flower arranging, to sustainability and community involvement opportunities. Lunch is served at each meeting, which offers the members an opportunity to engage in conversation and fellowship. A couple of times each year, work days are scheduled at the League house, where new and active members work with the project's chairwoman to implement improvements to the League house grounds. Prior to Covid-19, the JLGC has taken day bus trips to botanical gardens in and around Tennessee. We hope to enjoy those pleasures again soon!

How can a current member of the League get involved with the Garden Club now or in the future?

Any League member may have her application for the club membership submitted in writing to the Membership Chairman, who will present the name to the membership. The candidate must be in good standing in the Junior League of Chattanooga for a minimum of three years. All new members must participate in the JLC Garden Club annual project the first year of membership. In the event the membership is full, the Membership Chairman shall keep a waiting list with the date in order of application. As a vacancy occurs, the Membership Chairman shall determine the eligibility of the applicant whose name is first on the list and shall notify her of her admission to membership before the next meeting.

Supper Clubs

All the best conversations happen in the kitchen, over a delicious meal, or while sipping a crisp glass of wine. JLC Supper Clubs give our members a more intimate social setting to make lasting connections within the League. Some groups have known each other for years, while others have never met before their first meal. The goal is for Supper Clubs to meet monthly at a local restaurant or bar, a member's home, or virtually. Our Member Engagement Committee provides monthly suggestions for local establishments and recipes from the award winning JLC cookbook. For those who can't commit to a full dinner, we've added a Happy Hour option where Members can meet after work for a quick drink and appetizer. Regardless of schedule or comfort level, we hope supper clubs will unite JLC members over a delicious meal or cocktail!

All active members of JLC are invited join a Supper Club. Information on how to join can be found in your weekly email.
For more information about joining JLC, please contact recruitment@jlchatt.org

A Note About the League Chatt

We are excited to share some new developments for the League Chatt this year! Historically, this publication has been shared internally with active and sustaining League members on a monthly basis. Starting this year, we will be amplifying the reach of the League Chatt by sharing it with our community partners, potential new members, past events attendees, and sponsors. With this change, the schedule for publication will move to bi-monthly (September-May), and the length and types of content we publish will look different than past issues. We are excited for this transition and hope you all enjoy learning more about JLC!

-Catherine Seat, VP Marketing & PR

Are you interested in sponsoring Junior League of Chattanooga?

JLC is actively seeking corporate and individual sponsors for our 2022-2023 League year. Your donation will enable JLC to make a powerful difference in the Chattanooga community. JLC supports education in Hamilton County through our *A League of Learners* initiative that focuses on fostering lifelong learners in the Chattanooga community. We support Hamilton County schools, teachers, children, and adults through funding for special projects and partnerships with other local organizations to provide an active volunteer base.

Learn more about sponsorship opportunities HERE or at jlchatt.org/fundraising-events
Contact sponsorship@jlchatt.org with questions

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Junior League of Chattanooga (JLC) is a 501(c)(3) volunteer organization for women dedicated to making a positive impact in their community. Founded in 1917, our League is the second oldest in the South and is part of the Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI).
Junior League of Chattanooga empowers women through leadership training and development to take action in their communities. League members are accomplished collaborators who build coalitions, identify community needs, and develop effective and responsive programs to meet those needs. Funds are raised through efforts like our *Seasoned to Taste* Cookbook, Touch-A-Truck, League on the Links golf tournament, and more.

Learn more about us at www.jlchatt.org
Interested in becoming a member? Contact recruitment@jlchatt.org

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