

The Lantern



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Thank you to Sustainer, **Laurie Merchant** and the Hospitality Committee for hosting the League Tea to welcome the 2019-2020 Provisional Class.



Mark your calendar for...

General League Meeting:

November 18, 2019 7:00 PM

First Baptist Church

January 20, 2020 7:00PM

First Baptist Church

Board Meeting:

November 11, 2019 6:30 PM

Hostess: Day Caughman

Co-Hostess: Jenny Knopf

January 13, 2020 6:30PM

First Baptist Church

Co-Hostesses: Nancy L. Zimpleman & Shannon Boykin

Provisional Class:

November 5, 2019 6:00PM

Observing Placement Council

Location: Palmetto Health Tuomey, Room 4

January 13th, 2020 7:00PM

Observing the Board Meeting

Location: First Baptist Church

Treasurer's Budget:

Community Trust: \$20,775.41

Administrative Account: \$36,073.81

Lantern Deadline:

December 13th
Welfare & Emergency Aid, Three-In-One, Get Real About Violence.

(Pictures immediately following November meeting)

Admissions Applications:

Admissions Forms Pick-Up Deadline: November 1

Return Deadline: November 18, 2019

Contact: Sarah Smith (803) 305-8444 or
s.eaves.smith@gmail.com

Grant Applications Deadline:

November 1, 2019

New Placement Recommendation Deadline:

November 1, 2019

Contact: Nancy Lee Zimpleman
nancylee@swordlilly.net or (803) 236-4851



A Note from the President

During this time of year, there is a theme, "Be thankful." There's even a "30 days of Thankfulness," in November, where you can share all of the things for which you are thankful, one each day of the month. Recently a SJWL Board member asked me how things were going for me. I stared at her for a moment and said, "I'm tired. I'm discouraged. Sometimes I feel defeated." Then I thought for a moment...*But I am so blessed, and privileged.* It's easy to forget this when the days are so long you fall into bed. When your husband or children cannot be satisfied. When your boss is just not quite impressed with your latest project. It is my wish for each of you that you will be reminded about all of the things, people, experiences for which you have to be thankful.

With Much Love,

Vicki

League Legends



This Provisional class had a special tea, as they donned hats to celebrate the occasion.

Have pictures to share?
Contact Jenny Knopf by text 843.373.8103 or
email jennylaurenstephens@gmail.com

Congratulations to the following members:

Lauren Locklear on the birth of her son

Sterling Mitchum on the birth of her son



Salvation Army Kettles will be passed around at the November meeting. Cash and checks (payable to the Salvation Army) will be accepted. Thank you in advance for your contribution.

The Wishing Well By Amy Stallings

Happy Fall from The Wishing Well! Thanks to all of you, we are off to a great start this League year! With summer shifts behind us and the busy holiday season upon us, I want to thank each of you for your dedication and service to The Wishing Well! As you work a shift or make a purchase, you directly help generate the funds needed to support the mission of the Sumter Junior Welfare League. We couldn't be successful without YOU!



If you are considering a placement with The Wishing Well, there are wonderful ways to be involved! In general, the Gift Shop is a flexible yearlong placement that offers different options in which to serve. The Buying Committee manages day-to-day operations and selects merchandise for the store twice a year from the Atlanta Gift Mart. This year's members are Amy Stallings (Chair), Tiffany Davis (Co-Chair), Caroline Zitzke (Gift Buyer), and Christine Kohl (Co-Gift Buyer). Amanda Boykin and Tina Patterson are serving as Food Buyer and Co-Food Buyer this year. They are responsible for ordering snacks, candy, and drinks that keep the hospital employees and visitors coming back for more! The Food/Gift Committee members work behind the scenes of the Wishing Well and are responsible for unpacking, pricing, organizing and restocking items as they come in. Lauren Barkley, Larsen Cline, Anna Elmore, Angie Gilley, Julie Hobday, Laurin Lee, Meighan Price, and Amy Wilson do an amazing job keeping up with deliveries! Kelly Mills is serving as our Scheduler again this year. She carefully crafts the schedule by referencing the availability cards each member submits in the spring. Keeping us all organized and happy is no easy feat. We appreciate all that she does to keep us open for business each and every day! If you're a "money" person, you may want to consider helping with the financial side of The Wishing Well. This year's Business Manager is Renee Brown, Co-Business Manager is Susan Weber, and our Bookkeeper is Tiffany Rogers. They complete our dream team by counting money, paying bills, making deposits and dealing with all of the other necessary aspects of running a business. Each position is vital to the success of The Wishing Well and ultimately the SJWL.

If you think you may be interested in one of these positions, I encourage you to mark it on your interest indicator for next year. Please feel free to talk with any of our committee members for more information on what is involved.

Our Annual **Christmas Open House** will be held on **Tuesday, November 5th**. Please come shop with us this holiday season and encourage your friends and family to do the same. Each purchase from The Wishing Well is an opportunity to contribute to a greater Sumter community and what could be better than that? See you at "The Well"!



Sumter County Jubilee Puppet Show By Jackie Hicks

The Sumter Junior Welfare League performed our "Sumter County Jubilee" for eight hundred and seven Sumter third graders this year. That is a huge outreach! Some of our shows had seventy five students in attendance. I will never get tired of hearing the kids' responses and laughs during our performances. This year was extra special for me because I have a third

grader who attended. A big thank you to: (Co-Chair) Chrissy Hutto, Whitney Dunlap, Brenda Barnes, Amy Barrineau, Sara Kathryn Marlowe, Kristin Sill, and Jessica Lamb. Each one of these ladies has gone above and beyond to make this year a huge success. I feel blessed to have been able to work with each one of them. Thank you all for an amazing year!



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Sumter Junior Welfare League General Meeting Minutes October 21, 2019

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A drop-in tea was held to honor our new provisional members at the home of sustainer, Laurie Merchant. Afternoon sunshine and wonderful weather assisted us in welcoming our newest members. President Vicki Singleton, hostess Laurie Merchant, and Provisional Chair, Lauren Locklear greeted each guest upon their arrival. Many Active and Sustaining members had the opportunity to individually introduce themselves and speak with the new Provisionals. Provisional Co-Chair, Jenny Knopf and Hospitality Chair, Lillie Smith were also present to greet members as they arrived. An immaculate landscape, along with pristine weather, were the backdrop for this event, held both indoors and out. As a gift, a portrait of the host home painted by sustainer Nicole Norris was given to Laurie Merchant. The afternoon consisted of lovely floral arrangements and delicious food and beverages. Over one hundred Active, Provisional, and Sustaining members enjoyed this exquisite event.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE WISHING WELL

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