
The Lantern



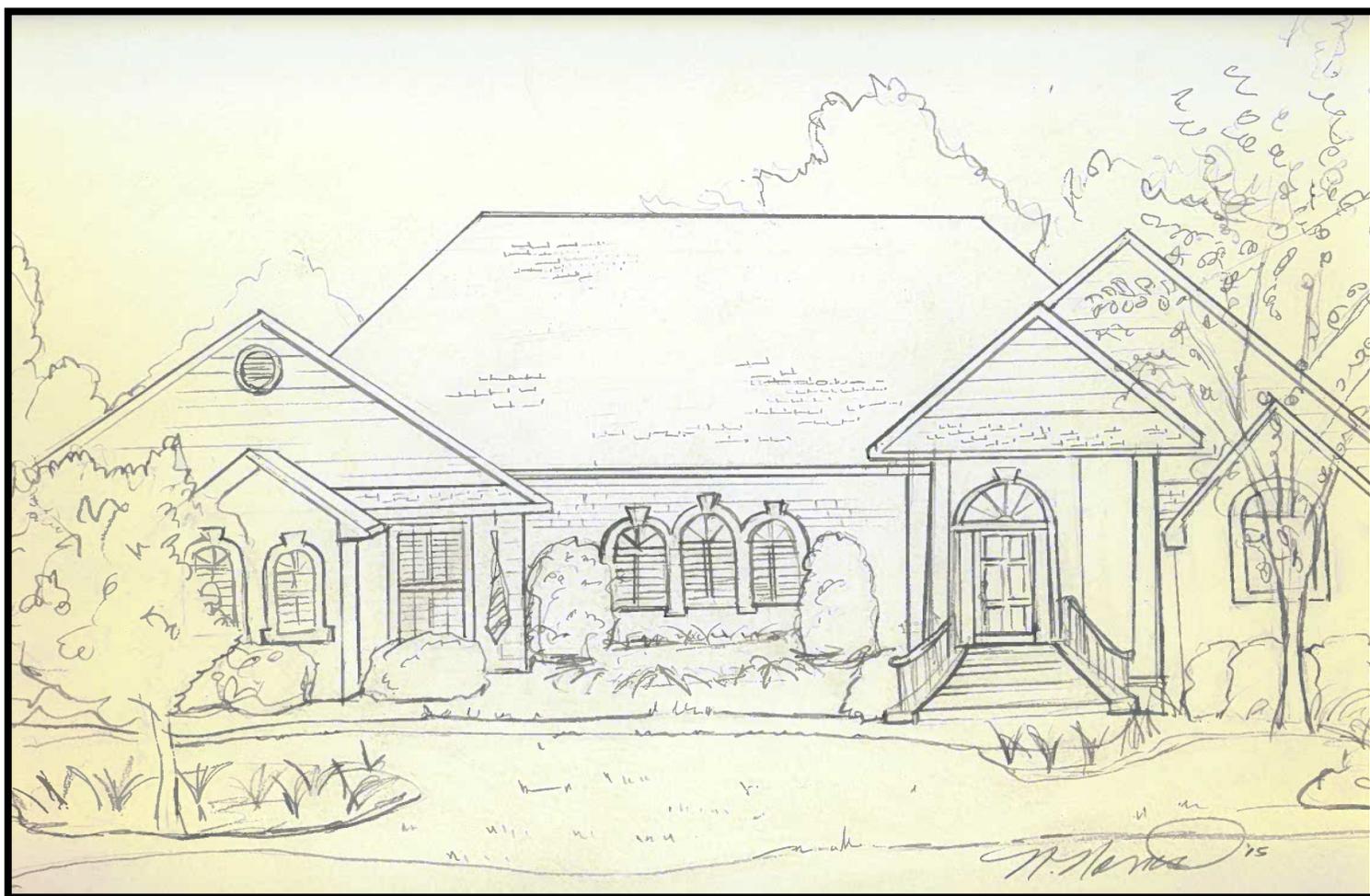
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*The Sumter Junior Welfare League requests the pleasure of your company
at a tea honoring the
2015 - 2016 Provisional Class*



*Monday, the seventh of December
from four until six o'clock
at the home of Jackie Olsen
3030 Lowfalls Lane*

**** NEW DATE DUE TO FLOOD ****

Mark your calendar for...

League Meeting:

Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:00pm
At First Baptist Church

Monday, December 7, 2015, 4-6pm
Junior League Tea- 3030 Lowfalls Lane

Board Meeting:

Monday, November 9, 2015 6:00 PM
at 85 Paisley Park
Co-Hostesses: Valerie James, Gretchen Meyers

Provisional Class:

Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 6:00pm
At Wilson Hall Upper School Library

Monday, November 16, 2015 (immediately following general meeting), Wishing Well Orientation

Placement Council:

Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 6:00pm
At Wilson Hall Upper School Library

Treasurer's Report:

Balances as of August 31, 2015
Administrative Fund- \$30,417.78
Community Trust - \$21,940.20

Lantern Deadline: December 18, 2015
Welfare & Emergency Aid, United Ministries, Get Real About Violence. (Pictures immediately following November meeting.)

Admissions Application:

Agreement of Confidentiality Deadline: November 1, 2015
Return Deadline: November 15, 2015
Contact: Janelle Smith (803) 968-5497 or janelledeluco@yahoo.com

Light News

By Leslie Day Caughman

In July, Active **Vicki Singleton** traveled to Boston for a higher education conference, and took her daughter, Katherine Grace with her. While there, Vicki and Katherine Grace took several shopping excursions on Newbury Street, took the Duck Tour of Boston, dined at the Top of the Hub on the top floor of the Prudential Center, the tallest building in Boston, enjoying panoramic views of the city, and visited with family and friends.

In September, active **Bronwyn McElveen**, was awarded the John R. Justice Community Leadership Award, a statewide award given by the United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina in honor of community participation and leadership.

New Bundles of Joy
Congratulations to...
Active Heather Smith
on the birth of a boy.

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL budget request forms are due to Cindy Ardis by December 31, 2015. You may e-mail them to cinyardis@yahoo.com or mail them to her at 42 Calhoun Drive, Sumter, SC 29150.



Happy Holidays

from

The Wishing Well

Receive 30% off one gift item
with this coupon.

Expires 12/31/2015

Sympathy

The Sumter Junior Welfare
League extends sympathy
to:

Active **Amy Moss** on the
death of her father.

*He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.*

- Psalm 147:3

The Wishing Well by Gretchen Meyers

Thank you to everyone in the League for helping to make The Wishing Well a success. We are having a great year and it is because of each and every one of you. The League continues to use the funds generated by the Wishing Well to provide grants and placements throughout the Sumter community.

Chair **Gretchen Meyers**, Co-Chair **Whitney Dunlap**, Gift Buyer **Rebecca Brogdon** and Co-Gift Buyer **Julie Hobday** spent three days selecting gift items at market in July and will be heading back in January. (pictured below L to R—Dunlap, Hobday, Brogdon and Meyers)

The gift shop is a flexible one-year placement that consists of a gift committee and a food committee. **Becky Craft** is the Food Buyer this year and **Amanda Tindal** graciously stepped in to fill in as the Co-Food Buyer after an unexpected vacancy. They have a group of great ladies who unpack, restock and organize the food items. This year the committee members are **Melissa Beasley**, **Mechelle Reynolds**, **Kathryn Ross**, and **Jenny Thigpen**.

The gift committee is responsible for unpacking, restocking and organizing the gift shop. **Ann-Frances Stoddard Brown**, **Leslie Day Caughman**, **Nancy Ferriell**, **Lauren Locklear**, **Kelly Mills**, and **Amy Stallings** are members of the Gift Committee this year. We appreciate the continued commitment of these ladies, as the Wishing Well would not be successful without them. They have their work cut out for them and truly do an amazing job. We have a fantastic committee this year!

Business Manager **Jennifer McMahon**, Co-Business Manager **Jesseca Lamb** and Bookkeeper **Shannon Boykin** are dedicated League members who help with the financial side of the Wishing Well. They count money, pay bills, make deposits and deal with all of the other necessary aspects of running a business. They keep us all in line from behind the scene.

Hayes Jones serves as our Scheduler again this year. She carefully crafts the schedule by using the availability cards from league members. Trying to please the members while filling all of the shifts is no easy task and we appreciate all she does to make it work!

If you think you might be interested in one of these positions I encourage you to mark it on your interest indicator. Please talk to a current committee member to get a better idea of what is involved.

The Wishing Well Committee will be decorating for Christmas on Sunday, November 1 and anyone that wants to join in the fun is invited attend. Open House is scheduled for Thursday, November 5 and we are looking forward to a great Christmas season. Please come shop with us and encourage your friends to do the same. Each purchase from the Wishing Well is an opportunity to contribute to a greater Sumter community.



Sumter County Jubilee Puppet Show

By Darla Dean

For more than 30 years the *Sumter County Jubilee* has been performed by League members for third graders in the county. This entertaining puppet show goes along with the South Carolina history curriculum they are learning in school.

Our placement began on September 1st when we started our rehearsals. Several of the ladies were returning to puppets for their 2nd, 3rd or even 6th year, so practices went smoothly. Our first show was performed on October 1st with our last show scheduled for October 29th.

It has been a wonderful experience to chair this placement. Our veteran puppeteers, who made my job very easy by being so well prepared and helpful, were Alexa Rowe (co-chair), Caroline Motley, Brenda Barnes, Allyson Sanders, Ashley Melton, Jeanna Mahr and myself, Darla Dean. We welcomed Lillie Smith as our only new member and she did a fantastic job of learning her part. All the ladies worked well together and made this placement very rewarding.



A special thank you is owed to Mary Beth Mims who, although her placement was United Ministries, helped me direct the practices during the month of September. The show could not have gone on without the dedication of these ladies and I thank them all.



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