

WOMEN BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

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FROM THE EDITORS

the Leaguer

Our last Quarter was a busy one, full of celebrations and planning ahead for next year. With a few more social events on our Spring calendar, we were able to connect outside of our regular meetings, a welcome change!

We wish you a relaxing summer and hope to see you at some of our summer meetings / social events before we gear up for another great year!

Mary Smiecinski
Lauren Williams

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The Leaguer is a quarterly newsletter, distributed in March, June, September & December.

Have a great idea for an article/column?

We're all ears! We are always open to submissions and suggestions. Please email correspondence to: newsletter@juniorleagueoferie.com

From the President-Elect

Nicole Buzzard

I thought a fitting way to close out our last newsletter of 2016-17 was to share some highlights from our year:

August:

Erie Gives - \$523.04 raised, Member Zoo Picnic

October:

Millcreek Township Government Channel Interviewed JLE to talk about the JLE & MTA (watch the interview on youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_BKSSq09LL4) & 2 JLE Ladies attended Nonprofit Day training.

November:

JLE Ladies participated in The Erie Phil's Holiday Tour of Homes, 1st Annual Music Takes Action - \$1,852 raised.

December:

JLE established Shop at Ebay for Charity with PayPal Giving Fund.

January:

JLE Ladies Vote to continue partnership with Erie Phil doing MTA for the next 3 years, JLE Ladies were invited to attend The Erie Phil's Sibelius concert with meet & great post concert with The Erie Phil.

February:

A JLE Lady attended a Social Media Training at the NPP.

April:

2nd Murder at the Mansion social with mini fundraiser - \$215 raised, Start of Lunch with the JLE & monthly social gatherings.

Active of the Quarter returned with Q1 recognizing Mary Smiecinski, Q2 recognizing Sarah Lee, Q3 recognizing Jennifer Laskowski & Becky Moore. Active of the year Sarah Lee & Sustainer of the Year Erin Eighmy.

Next year is filled with life, hope, volunteering, fundraising and lots and lots of fun! Come join us, look for the calendar for upcoming dates and save the dates for the bigger events!



2016-17 Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting: Amanda Lasky (Secretary), Mary Smiecinski (Treasurer), Aileen Baxter (President), Nicole Buzzard (President-Elect)

From the Secretary

Amanda Lasky

We are planning some summer social activities and would love your opinion! Please complete the following online survey to help us plan our summer calendar: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D8Z566H>

From the Treasurer

Mary Smiecinski

As our League year closes, I find myself reflecting on my first year on the Board of Directors. When I first joined the JLE in 2014, I never pictured myself as a future Board Member, but I've accepted the challenge and am excited about my new role in the JLE!

I'm happy to report that there was an overwhelmingly positive response to the implementation of online payments and our ability to accept credit & debit cards this year - we've processed over \$2,000 in online payments & donations to date!

Apart from the financial aspects of budgets and bills, I've really enjoyed working through our strategic plan with my fellow board members. With all of the expected challenges of managing a non-profit of our size, there is also a lot of hope and excitement for our future. I leave every meeting (Board & GMM) with a surge of energy, ready to make things happen! I know that I'm not alone in my JLE pride, we have a wonderful group of women and I'm so excited to see what the next few years has in store for us all!

2017-18 Advertising Rates

The advertising rates below include ad space in each of our four issues in the 2017-18 distribution year which are distributed via email to 160+ subscribers and available online for download. Please email newsletter@juniorleagueoferie.com to reserve ad space for your business.

1/2 page	\$250*
1/4 page	\$125*
Business Card Size	\$75*

*25% discount available for Junior League Member Businesses.

2016-17 Board of Directors

President

Aileen Baxter

President Elect

Nicole Buzzard

Recording Secretary

Amanda Lasky

Treasurer

Mary Smiecinski

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

Active Members	15
Sustainers	77
Sustainer Emeritus	22

UPCOMING DATES

June

1st	GMM
15th	BOD

July

1st	GMM
15th	BOD

August

1st	GMM
15th	BOD

September

1st	GMM
15th	BOD

Shop for the JLE
Sunday, September 10th
@ Talbots



Shop at Talbots on September 10th to support the Junior League of Erie. Mention the Junior League and we will receive 10% of your purchase!

Designer Bag Bingo Fundraiser
Saturday, October 14th
@ Perry Hi-way Hose Company, 6:00pm



Don't miss our Designer Bag Bingo Fundraiser this fall! Presale tickets will be extended to members in August, you'll want to purchase your ticket early as these events sell out quickly! \$30 / person.

SAVE THE DATE
2nd Annual Music Takes Action Benefit
Wednesday, November 1
 Stay 'tuned' for more details!



Red Books are HERE!
 Our new Red Books are here! Members who reside outside of the Erie Area will be mailed their Red Book on request. Local members will be able to pick up their copies at any of our meetings / events or are asked to contact us to arrange pick up / delivery. Call (814) 636-0096 or email president@juniorleagueoferie.com to arrange.

Upcoming Events

■ JL Events ■ Community Events

JULY

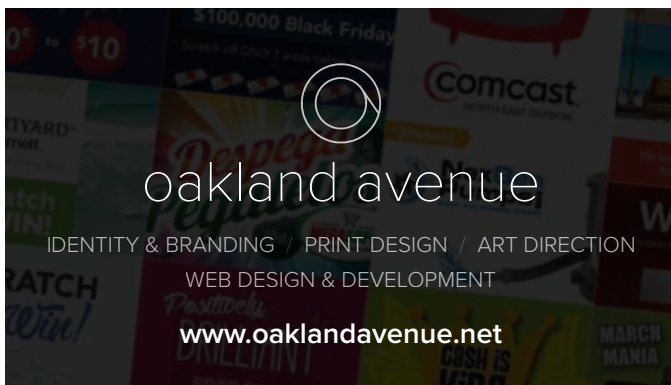
- 2 **Brunch with the JLE**
 Cloud9, RSVP by 6/26
- 10 **Lunch with the JLE**
 The Sloppy Duck, Noon-1pm, RSVP 7/9
- 20 **Lunch with the JLE**
 408 Bar & Grille, Noon-1pm, RSVP 7/19

AUGUST

- 8 **Erie Gives Day**
<https://www.eriegives.org/>
- 14 **Lunch with the JLE**
 Summer House Cafe, Noon-1pm, RSVP 8/13
- 17 **Lunch with the JLE**
 Pineapple Eddies, Noon-1pm, RSVP 8/16
- 24 **Open House**
 Follow us on Facebook for event details
- 26 **Beat Beethoven 5K / Street Fair**
 Join the Philharmonic musicians, Conductor

SEPTEMBER

- 10 **Shop for a Cause**
 Mention the JLE at Talbots and we will receive a percentage of your purchase.



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 Your ad could be here!
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League Teams Up with Erie Philharmonic to Support Music Outreach

Source: www.ErieNewsNow.com



Pictured is Nicole Buzzard, President JLE, Daniel Meyer, Music Director & Conductor of The Erie Phil, Steve Weiser, Executive Director of The Erie Phil, Daniel Zimmerman, President of the Erie Phil's Board of Directors, and Sarah Latimer, Active Member of the JLE & MTA Committee member.

The Erie Philharmonic has renewed its partnership with the Junior League of Erie to support the orchestra's education and outreach programs. The president of the Junior League Wednesday presented \$7,500 to the Philharmonic. The money will be used to match the funds needed for a \$15,000 grant. It will help support the orchestra's long-term residency program at the St. Benedict Center.

Kids get to learn about the wonders of music from a professional, as well as a group of musicians. "It's such a big part of our mission to make sure we're introducing great music and introducing our musicians to people in the community, particularly young children," said Daniel Meyer, the music director for the Erie Philharmonic. "If we can get them inspired and excited about the music making and perhaps singing or playing in their school band or school orchestra, we know we are one step ahead in getting people excited about the wonderful music that we make."

The Junior League has made a three-year commitment to the residency program, which was launched last fall.



Lunch with us!

Between Noon and 1pm every 2nd Monday and 3rd Thursday the we meet for lunch at a local restaurant. All are welcome! Please check our Facebook page for the location.



AJLI TIP

Miss a GMM? No worries! You can log in to AJLI.org to access important documents like Meeting Minutes, Treasurer's Reports, Forms & more!

Annual Meeting: Celebrating 2016-17

On Tuesday May 16th, the Junior League of Erie celebrated and reflected on our 2016-17 year at a Benefit Dinner hosted by Mad Mex Restaurant, Erie. Guests enjoyed a Fajita Buffet and a brief recap of our year in which various members were recognized for their efforts and contributions. Sarah Lee was awarded Active Member of the Year and Erin Eighmy was awarded Sustaining Member of the Year.

Active members in attendance were Aileen Baxter (President), Nicole Buzzard (President-Elect), Shellie DelleCurti, Amanda Lasky (Secretary), Sarah Latimer, Sarah Lee, Mary Smiecinski (Treasurer), Lauren Williams & Lorraine Zacherl. Sustaining members in attendance were Past-President Catherine Fox, Erin Eighmy and Emily Wachter.



The passing of the gavel from President Aileen Baxter to President-Elect Nicole Buzzard.



President-Elect Nicole Buzzard presenting the Active Member of the Year Award to Sarah Lee.



President Aileen Baxter presenting the Sustaining Member of the Year Award to Erin Eighmy.



Help us reach our goal of \$3,000!

Please consider supporting the Junior League of Erie during Erie Gives Day on August 8, 2017

Each year since 2011, The Erie Community Foundation has hosted a 12-hour period of online giving in which they match a percentage of each donation made to a local nonprofit.

We're excited to announce that an anonymous donor has promised a \$1,000 donation to the JLE during Erie Gives day and has agreed to match up to \$1,000 in additional Erie Gives donations. Please donate to the JLE on August 8th and help us reach our 2017 goal of \$3,000! For more information about Erie Gives, please visit www.eriegives.org.

Out and about with the JLE



Future Junior Leaguers at our family-friendly social at TREC.



Sharing wine and laughs at Sarah Lee's Wine-tasting / Farewell Party. Front row (L-R) Lauren Williams, Sarah Lee, Lorraine Zacherl, Aileen Baxter (President). Back (L-R) Mary Smiecinski (Treasurer), Amanda Lasky (Secretary), Shellie DelleCurti, Liz Sharpe (Past President), Sarah Latimer, Nicole Buzzard (President-Elect)



Junior League Board Members met with the Board of the Erie Philharmonic at the Ambassador to announce our continued support of the Long-Term Residency program. (L-R) Mary Smiecinski (Treasurer), Nicole Buzzard (President-Elect), Aileen Baxter (President) & Lisa Herring from the Erie Philharmonic.



Motel Mayhem - A Murder Mystery Fundraiser at the Watson-Curtze Mansion on April 1, 2017.



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on Erie Gives Day 2017

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Shop for a Cause!

Shop Talbots on Sunday, September 10th, mention the Junior League of Erie and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the Junior League of Erie!

TALBOTS

3330 West 26th Street, Erie, PA (in Village West)

Designer Bag Bingo FUNDRAISER!



Join us for a fashionable FUNdraising event on Saturday, October 14th at Perry Hi-way Hose Company. Pre-sale tickets will be available to members in August.

Stay tuned for details!

SAVE THE DATE!



2nd Annual Benefit Recital
NOVEMBER 1, 2017