## LEAGUE AT A GLANCE

#### JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SPOKANE

SPRING 2022

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This spring has felt like a microcosm of the year—warm sunny days alternating with April snow, progress followed by setbacks. As we make our way back toward "normal," it has been hard to avoid feeling dismayed by bumps in the road. Those sunny days, however, help us to recharge and refuel and move forward with optimism. If we are wise, we can use the wintry days to remember what we have learned over the past couple years—and assess what we want to keep with us as we move forward.

As a League, we have been thrilled to welcome a group of enthusiastic new members. Their work on their school supply share project and positive energy have felt like spring sunshine. I am looking forward to watching their journeys over the coming years.



Community work is one of the uniting forces for the League, and the women of the Community Flow Group have greatly contributed to a return-to-normal for the League. The Book Fair Committee's hard work turned into a visually spectacular and fun event at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, as well as the foundation of a relationship with this vital organization in the East Central neighborhood. The Impact Committee has been providing fun and engaging volunteer options for our members. Last but not least, the Book Bank Committee had another successful round of Book Grants, with 18 applications and \$2,300 and books granted to six organizations.

The Funding Flow group has two exciting notes in the coming months. The Funding Resource Management (FRM) Committee proposed a new money-raising activity that was approved by the membership at the April GMM. This will be a fun golf outing on August 27, at Fairways Golf Course in Cheney. Expect more information soon! Additionally, Touch-a-Truck is already gearing up for fall—save the date for September 23rd!

Another step toward returning to normal will be the return of the Sustainer Dinner on May 25. We look forward to gathering with our Sustaining members and celebrating the legacy of the League.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation for the behind-the-scenes work done by our Marketing & Communications and Meetings & Arrangements committees. They have provided connection for us throughout the pandemic and are helping us to return to normal operations—including our May Celebration meeting, where we will celebrate the accomplishments of this year and look forward to the next year.

It has been an honor to serve as League President over the past two years, and I am excited to see where the coming months and years take us!

Niki Moore President, 2020-2022



#### **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

#### **ALI KINGSTON**

When Ali Kingston moved to Spokane in the summer of 2021, one of the first things she did was transfer to the Junior League of Spokane—and then, like Ali does, she got to work right away, joining the FRM Committee, signing up for as many volunteer opportunities as possible, speaking about conflict resolution at Northwest Exchange in February, and putting her event planning talents to good use with this summer's JLS Golf Outing.



Ali loves to travel and isn't afraid to pack up and move to a new city, which is one of the reasons she loves being a member of the Junior League. As long as a city has a league, there is an instant connection between League members and a new city. After starting out in the Junior League of Washington in 2017, she made her way to the Junior League of Toledo in 2019, where she was on their focus-area research committee and the following year, was the inaugural chair for the Diaper Bank Committee.

She is an attorney at the Northwest Justice Project and is dedicated to making a difference in the community and being an advocate for her clients. Between working, serving as Board President of the Down Syndrome Association of Greater Toledo, and exploring the PNW, the League is what fills her cup and keeps her refreshed and inspired.

#### SUSTAINER SPOTLIGHT

#### **CANDACE MUMM**

When you look at all that Candace Mumm has done in the past 27 years, it is easy recognize how completely she has embraced the mission of the Junior League of Spokane. Candace joined the Junior League of Spokane in 1992, and during her tenure served as Rummage Chair, Golf Co-Chair, Leadership Spokane Representative in 1994, Funding Development Committee, and Funding Director.



Candace was elected to the Spokane City Council in 2013 and served on several committees, including the Public Safety Committee, the Urban Development Committee and the Public Infrastructure and Environment Committee. She was also twice elected as President of Spokane's Plan Commission, and established the first Transportation Sub-Committee to help prioritize and direct the spending of transportation funding.

Candace has taken her Junior League of Spokane training, her education, her drive and her desire to make a difference in our community and has used those skills to make a significant impact. Her involvements and accomplishments are diverse and relevant to today's challenges.

Candace was selected as the Outstanding Sustainer of 2021, and was honored at the 2021 Holiday Luncheon.

### **2022 TREASURE HUNT BOOK FAIR**

Thank you to everyone who volunteered at the 2022 Treasure Hunt Book Fair! A great time was had by all, and we were able to re-establish a key relationship with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center in the East Central neighborhood.

















#### CHILI-RUBBED FLANK STEAK

1 large garlic clove

1 tablespoon chopped red onion

Zest of 1 lime

1 tablespoon fresh lime juice

2 teaspoons chili powder

2 teaspoons salt

1 teaspoon ground cumin

1 tablespoon olive oil

11/2-2 pounds beef flank steak

2 limes, cut into wedges

1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Monterey Jack cheese

2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

12 (6-inch) corn tortillas

Pulse the garlic, onion, lime zest, lime juice, chili powder, salt and cumin in a food processor until smooth. Add the olive oil in a fine stream, processing constantly until the mixture reaches a paste consistency. Rub the paste over both sides of the steak. (At this point, the steak may be refrigerated for up to 11/2 days until ready to cook.)

Preheat the grill to medium-high. Grill the steak for 5 to 6 minutes per side for medium-rare or until a meat thermometer registers 145 degrees. Let stand for 10 minutes. Slice the steak against the grain into 1/4-inch slices.

Arrange the steak on a warm platter. Squeeze one lime wedge over the steak and top with the cheese and cilantro. Serve with warm tortillas and the remaining lime wedges.

Serves 4

This delicious recipe is from our 2007 cookbook, Still Gold'n. For more great recipes, please email <u>FRM@jlspokane.org</u> for a copy of your own!

# Support the Junior League of Spokane!

Since 1924, the women in the Junior League of Spokane have worked for the betterment of the Spokane community. We see the issues. We create solutions. We change the community we live in for the better, all while developing leadership skills and training women who join the mission of the Junior League of Spokane.

The work we do is worthy of your support. Your investment not only empowers the Junior League of Spokane to develop civic leaders, but expands the capacity of our non-profit partners. Your donation allows us to continue to enhance the community in which we all live. Thank you in advance for your support.

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